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## ADVERTISEMENT.

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No Copies of the London Pharmacopœia of 1836, having been available in India at the time when all Indents were ordered to be prepared according to the Nomenclature of that edition; it was thought that a Reprint of the Work, on the plan of Dr. THOMPSON'S Conspectus, would be acceptable to the Members of the Profession; and that a small portable volume, embodying an Epitome of Materia Medica, Therapeutics and Pharmacy, would be found particularly useful for distribution to the Medical Subordinates of the Madras Service.

The Reprint contains, in addition to what is given in the Conspectus, the whole of the Formulæ and Notes of the London Pharmacopœia; and where a doubt existed as to the accuracy of any passage in the former, reference has been made to the more elaborate works of Paris, Phillips, and Pereira.

The circumstance of the Compiler having undertaken the work, *solely with a view to benefit the Medical Profession*, and without the slightest hope of profit or reward, will he trusts be a sufficient apology to the Author of the Conspectus for the liberty he has taken with his book; and as the great portion of the readers of the Reprint will be the Medical Subordinates of the Service, a class of persons not likely to purchase the original work, the sale of the Conspectus cannot be deteriated there, and Dr. THOMPSON will have the satisfaction of knowing that the sphere of usefulness of his Book will be extended without his sustaining any pecuniary loss.

MADRAS, }  
6th June, 1839. }



# THE LONDON PHARMACOPŒIA.

## WEIGHTS, MEASURES, &c.

Two kinds of weights are used in England; by one of which gold and silver, and by the other nearly all other kinds of merchandise are valued: we employ the former, which is also called **TROY WEIGHT**; and we divide the pounds thus, viz.

The Pound	℔	contains	{	Twelve Ounces.	℥ xij.
— Ounce	℥			Eight Drachms;	ʒ viij.
— Drachm	ʒ			Three Scruples,	ʒ iiij.
— Scruple	ʒ			Twenty Grains,	gr. xx.
— Grain	gr.				

We have added the signs by which each weight is usually denoted.

We use measures of liquids derived from the gallon defined by the laws of the kingdom: this for medicinal purposes we divide thus,

The Gallon	C	contains	{	Eight Pints,	O viij.
— Pint	O			Twenty Fluid ounces	℥ xx.
— Fluid ounce	℥			Eight Fluid drachms,	ʒ viij.
— Fluid drachm	ʒ			Sixty Minims,	℥ lx.
— Minim	℥				

We have added the signs by which we denote each measure.

Care is to be taken that medicines do not acquire any impurity from the material of the vessels in which they are either prepared or kept.

All acid, alkaline, or metallic preparations, and salts of every kind, ought to be kept in stopped glass bottles. With some preparations it is proper that they should be of black or green glass.

Wherever the saturation of acids or alkalies is mentioned, we direct it to be ascertained whether it be perfect or not, by means of litmus and turmeric, in the mode adopted by chemists. Unless it be otherwise ordered, bibulous paper is to be used in straining liquors and in drying crystals.

We measure the degree of heat by *Fahrenheit's* thermometer; and when we direct a **BOILING HEAT**, we mean that of 212°. But we call a **GENTLE HEAT**, that which is denoted by any degree between 90° and 100°.

Whenever **SPECIFIC GRAVITY** is mentioned, we suppose the substance treated of to be of the temperature of 62°.

When **CRUCIBLES** are required, we direct those to be employed which are Hessian or Cornish.

A **WATER BATH** is that by which any substance contained in a proper vessel is exposed either to hot water, or the vapour of boiling water.

A **SAND BATH** is made of sand, to be gradually heated, in which anything is placed, contained in a proper vessel.

## NOTES.

It has been deemed proper to add short notes, relating chiefly to the chemical preparations, by which their purity may, as nearly as possible, be ascertained. This, for the most part, is less necessary with vegetable and animal substances, and is also attended with more difficulty. For although the peculiar character of each plant and animal is sufficiently defined in books on botany and zoology, yet the extracts from them and the weaker preparations are frequently so much altered in taste, colour, and smell, that they cannot be distinguished by any certain sign, or be briefly described.

**ACETUM. Vinegar.**—A yellowish liquor, of a peculiar odour, a fluid ounce of which is saturated by a drachm of crystallized carbonate of soda. Solution of chloride of barium being added, the sulphate of barytes precipitated does not exceed 1.14 grain. Hydrosulphuric acid being added, its colour is not altered.

*Remarks.*—The strongest vinegar contains 5 per cent. of real acetic acid; usually it does not exceed 4.6 per cent.; a fluid ounce weighs about 446 grains, saturating 58 grains of carbonate of soda; and two grains of it, making up the drachm, are allowed for saturating the sulphuric acid permitted to be mixed with the vinegar, and for decomposing the sulphates of the water used in vinegar-making; the 1.14 grain of sulphate of barytes is derived from the same sources, and proves that too much sulphuric acid has not been used. The non-action of hydrosulphuric acid demonstrates the absence of most metallic oxides.

**ACETUM DESTILLATUM.—Distilled Vinegar.**—Totally vaporized by heat. No precipitate is formed on the addition of acetate of lead, nitrate of silver, nor iodide of potassium. Neither hydrosulphuric acid nor ammonia alters its colour. After the digestion of a plate of silver in it, hydrochloric acid occasions no precipitation. Thirteen grains of the crystals of carbonate of soda are saturated by 100 grains of distilled vinegar.

*Remarks.*—The total evaporation shows that no solid impurity is dissolved in the vinegar. The non-precipitation by acetate of lead proves the absence of sulphuric acid; by nitrate of silver, that of hydrochloric acid; by iodide of potassium, that of lead. The non-action of hydrosulphuric acid and of ammonia proves the absence of metallic admixture. If adulterated with nitric acid, silver would be dissolved by digestion in it, and afterwards precipitated as a chloride by hydrochloric acid. The quantity of carbonate of soda to be saturated indicates the presence of 4.6 per cent. of real acetic acid.

**ACIDUM ACETICUM. Acetic Acid.**—The specific gravity of this acid is 1.048. Eighty-seven grains of crystals of carbonate of soda are saturated by 100 grains of this acid. The acid when saturated with carbonate of soda and evaporated, yields crystals of acetate of soda. Other tests agree with those of the preceding preparation.

*Remarks.*—The saturating power of this acid shows that it contains 30.7 per cent. of real acetic acid.

**ACIDUM ARSENIOSUM.** *Arsenious Acid.*—It is entirely sublimed when heated. Mixed with charcoal and exposed to heat, it emits an alliaceous smell. It is dissolved by boiling water; and hydrosulphuric acid, when added, throws down a yellow precipitate, and lime water yields a white one.

*Remarks.*—The precipitate thrown down by hydrosulphuric acid is sesquisulphuret of arsenic, and that by lime-water is arsenite of lime.

**ACIDUM BENZOICUM.** *Benzoic Acid.*—When cautiously heated, it totally evaporates with a peculiar odour. It is sparingly soluble in water, but plentifully in rectified spirit. It is entirely dissolved by solution of potash or by lime-water, and is precipitated by hydrochloric acid.

**ACIDUM CITRICUM** (*crystalli*). *Citric Acid (crystals).*—This acid is soluble in water; what is precipitated from the solution by acetate of lead, is dissolved by nitric acid. No salt of potash, except the tartrate, is precipitated by solution of citric acid. It is totally dissipated in the fire.

*Remarks.*—Any precipitate obtained by acetate of lead, which is insoluble in nitric acid, may be regarded as sulphate of lead, and would denote the presence of sulphuric acid or a sulphate in the citric acid. If the citric acid contained any tartaric acid, that would decompose other salts of potash besides the tartrate, and a crystalline and difficultly soluble precipitate of bitartrate of potash would be formed. As citric acid consists of oxygen, hydrogen, and carbon, all of which are dissipated at a red heat, any substance remaining after ignition is an impurity.

**ACIDUM HYDROCHLORICUM.** *Hydrochloric Acid.*—Colourless; entirely vaporized by heat. When mixed with distilled water, neither chloride of barium, nor ammonia, nor the sesquicarbonate of ammonia throws down any thing. Strips of gold, even when heated in it are not acted upon by it. It does not destroy the colour of solution of sulphate of indigo. Its specific gravity is 1.16. One hundred and thirty-two grains of crystals of carbonate of soda are saturated by 100 grains of this acid.

*Remarks.*—The total evaporation by heat proves that no fixed substance is dissolved in the acid. The non-action of chloride of barium proves that no sulphuric acid is present or sulphate of barytes would be precipitated. Ammonia or the sesquicarbonate of ammonia would detect the presence of most metals and earths by precipitating, and, in some cases, by afterwards redissolving them. Gold, even when heated in hydrochloric acid, is not dissolved unless chlorine be present, and then it is taken up, and may be precipitated from the solution by chloride of tin; the precipitate is of a purple or dark colour. If chlorine be present it will also destroy the colour of the solution of indigo. When 100 parts of this acid saturate 132 of carbonate of soda, it contains rather more than 82 per cent. of hydrochloric acid gas.



**ACIDUM HYDROCYANICUM DILUTUM.** *Dilute Hydrocyanic Acid.*—Free from colour; goes off in vapour by heat, exhaling its peculiar odour. It turns litmus of a slight fugacious red colour; hydrosulphuric acid, when added, does not discolour it. One hundred grains of this acid, when solution of nitrate of silver is added, precipitate 10 grains of cyanide of silver, which are readily dissolved by boiling nitric acid. If the iodo-cyanide of potassium and mercury when mixed with the hydrocyanic acid is reddened, it contains some other acid. In 100 grains of this diluted acid there are contained 2 grains of real hydrocyanic acid; and to this standard, in whatever mode it is distilled, we direct it should be reduced.

*Remarks.*—Its total evaporation shows the absence of fixed impurity. If the hydrocyanic acid reddens litmus-paper strongly and permanently, then some other acid is mixed with it: the absence of most metallic salts is denoted by the non action of hydrosulphuric acid. If the hydrocyanic acid contains hydrochloric acid, then the precipitate formed by nitrate of silver, being chloride of silver, is insoluble in the nitric acid. Any acid mixed with the hydrocyanic acid decomposes the iodo-cyanide of potassium and mercury, and forms biniodide of mercury, which is of a red colour.

**ACIDUM NITRICUM.** *Nitric Acid.*—By heat it wholly passes off in vapour. When mixed with distilled water, neither nitrate of silver nor chloride of barium throws down anything. Its specific gravity is 1.50. About 217 grains of the crystals of carbonate of soda are saturated by 100 grains of this acid.

*Remarks.*—The total evaporation proves that no fixed impurity is held in solution by the acid. Nitrate of silver gives no precipitate when chlorine or its compounds are absent; chloride of barium gives a precipitate of sulphate of Barytes when sulphuric acid or a sulphate is present. Two hundred and seventeen grains of carbonate of soda are equivalent to about 81 grains of real nitric acid.

**ACIDUM PHOSPHORICUM DILUTUM.** *Diluted Phosphoric Acid.*—Chloride of barium or nitrate of silver being added, whatever is thrown down is readily dissolved by nitric acid. Strips of copper and silver are not at all acted upon by it, nor is it coloured when hydrosulphuric acid is added. Its specific gravity is 1.064; 42 grains of carbonate of soda are saturated by 100 grains of this acid, and nothing is thrown down.

*Remarks.*—The absence of sulphuric acid and of a sulphate is proved by there being no precipitate yielded by chloride of barium, which is insoluble in nitric acid; that no hydrochloric acid nor any chloride is held in solution, is proved by nitrate of silver giving no precipitate which is insoluble in nitric acid. The quantity of carbonate of soda neutralized by 100 grains of this acid shows that it contains  $10\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. of real phosphoric acid; and when the carbonate of soda gives no precipitate no phosphate insoluble in water is dissolved by the phosphoric acid.

**ACIDUM SULPHURICUM.** *Sulphuric Acid.*—It is free from colour. Its specific gravity is 1.845. What remains after the acid has been dis-

tilled to dryness does not exceed the four hundredth part of its weight. Diluted sulphuric acid is scarcely coloured by hydrosulphuric acid.

*Remarks.*—Its being colourless shows that no carbonaceous matter has fallen into and been decomposed by the acid. The small quantity of matter left after distillation to dryness is sulphate of lead, and generally a little sulphate of potash. The non-production of colour by hydrosulphuric acid, as well as the small quantity of matter left by distillation, shows that the acid contains no important metallic impregnation.

**ACIDUM TARTARICUM** (*crystalli*). *Tartaric Acid* (*crystals*).—Totally soluble in water. The solution throws down bitartrate of potash from any neutral salt of potash. Whatever is precipitated from this solution by acetate of lead, is dissolved by diluted nitric acid.

*Remarks.*—The insolubility of any precipitate produced in the solution of tartaric acid by acetate of lead, in dilute nitric acid would show that the tartaric acid contains either sulphuric acid or a sulphate.

**ACONITINA.** *Aconitina*.—An alkali prepared from the leaves and roots of Aconite. It is very soluble in sulphuric æther, less in alcohol, and very slightly in water. It is totally consumed in the fire, no salt of lime remaining. This substance possessing strong power, is not to be rashly employed.

*Remarks.*—As it consists of oxygen, hydrogen, azote, and carbon, it is of course entirely destructible by fire, and any remaining substance is an impurity.

**ADEPS.** *Lard*.—Is not to be used without being carefully washed with water.

**ÆRUGO.** *Verdigris*.—May be partly dissolved in water, and is almost entirely soluble either in ammonia, or with the assistance of heat, in diluted sulphuric acid.

**ÆTHER SULPHURICUS.** *Sulphuric Ether*.—Its specific gravity is 0.750. What is sold fluctuates between 0.733 and 0.765. It totally evaporates in the air. It reddens litmus slightly: it combines sparingly with water; for example, in the proportion of a fluid ounce to half a pint, and remains limpid.

*Remarks.*—The specifically lighter it is, the sooner it evaporates and it contains the less alcohol or water. If it reddens litmus strongly, it has been either improperly prepared or too long kept. The more perfect it is the less water or alcohol it contains, and the less soluble it is in water.

**ALCOHOL.** *Alcohol*.—The specific gravity of this is .815; it is free from colour; when heated it evaporates; it combines with water and with æther; it tastes and smells like wine.

**ALUMEN** (*crystallinum*).—**ALUM** (*crystalline*).—It is entirely soluble in water. From the solution, ammonia or potash, when added, throw down alumina free from colour; which again dissolves when the potash is added in excess.

*Remarks.*—The crystallization in octohedrons and perfect solubility in water show that there is no uncombined earthy matter; and the precipitation by ammonia and potash, the solubility of the precipitate in excess of the latter, and its being colourless, show that pure alumina has been precipitated.

**AMMONIÆ LIQUOR.** *Solution of Ammonia.*—By heat it totally evaporates in evanescent alkaline vapours as shown by turmeric. It gives no precipitate with lime-water. When saturated with nitric acid neither sesquicarbonate of ammonia nor nitrate of silver throw down anything. The specific gravity of this solution is 0.960.

*Remarks.*—Pure water remains after the expulsion of the ammoniacal gas. If lime-water give no precipitate with solution of ammonia, it shows that it contains no carbonic acid; and if neither sesquicarbonate of ammonia nor nitrate of silver give any precipitate when it has been saturated with nitric acid, it proves that no earthy matter, hydrochloric acid, nor any chloride is present.

**AMMONIÆ LIQUOR FORTIOR.** *Stronger Solution of Ammonia.*—The specific gravity of this is .882. This solution may be reduced to the strength of Liquor Ammonia by adding to every fluid ounce of it three fluid ounces of distilled water.

Its properties are similar to those of Ammonia Liquor.

**AMMONIÆ ACETATIS LIQUOR.** *Solution of Acetate of Ammonia.*—It is not coloured by the addition of hydrosulphuric acid, nor is anything precipitated by nitrate of silver or chloride of barium. The water being evaporated, the residue yields ammonia, and is dissipated by heat.

*Remarks.*—When the vinegar has been improperly distilled and condensed in a metallic worm, it usually contains some metallic oxide, which is detected by hydrosulphuric acid. Nitrate of silver gives a precipitate of chloride with hydrochloric acid, and chloride of barium yields sulphate of barytes with sulphuric acid, if it be present. Acetate of Ammonia is totally decomposed and dissipated by heat, and if there be any residue after its operation, it is an impurity.

**AMMONIÆ HYDROCHLORAS** (*crystallina*). *Hydrochlorate of Ammonia (crystalline).*—Translucent; it is sublimed by heat, totally dissolved by water. It changes the colour of litmus slightly red. Chloride of barium throws down nothing. Potash or lime being added to it, ammonia is evolved.

**AMMONIÆ SESQUICARBONAS** (*crystallina*). *Sesquicarbonate of Ammonia (crystalline).*—Translucent, but falls to powder in the air; it is totally dissipated by heat. It is entirely soluble in water; it changes the colour of turmeric. Nitric acid being added to it to saturation, nothing is thrown down either by chloride of barium or nitrate of silver.

*Remarks.*—When it has lost its transparency it is less pungent to the smell and less active as a medicine, being partially converted into bicarbonate of ammonia; if anything remain after the application of heat or the action of water, it is an impurity. The non-action of



nitrate of silver and chloride of barium proves the absence of hydrochloric and sulphuric acid.

**ANTIMONII OXYSULPHURETUM.** *Oxysulphuret of Antimony.*—Totally soluble in nitro-hydrochloric acid, emitting hydrosulphuric acid.

*Remarks.*—By boiling in a solution of bitartrate of potash it loses about 12 per cent., which is protoxide of antimony.

**ANTIMONII POTASSIO-TARTRAS (crystalli).** *Potassio-tartrate of Antimony (crystals).*—Totally soluble in water, no bitartrate of potash remaining in the vessel, and hydrosulphuric acid being added, a reddish coloured precipitate is obtained. Neither chloride of barium nor nitrate of silver being added to the solution, throw down anything. Nitric acid throws down a precipitate, which is dissolved by an excess of it.

*Remarks.*—The crystalline form, and solubility in a moderate quantity of water, prove the absence of bitartrate of potash uncombined with oxide of antimony. Hydrosulphuric acid precipitates red hydrated sesquisulphuret of antimony. The non-action of chloride of barium proves the absence of sulphuric acid and sulphates, and that of nitrate of silver, the absence of chlorine and chlorides. Nitric acid precipitates oxide of antimony, which an excess of it redissolves.

**ANTIMONII SESQUISULPHURETUM (striatum).** *Sesquisulphuret of Antimony (striated).*—With heat it is totally dissolved by hydrochloric acid. From the acid in which it is boiled, a white precipitate is thrown down by distilled water; from the strained liquor hydrosulphuric acid afterwards throws down a reddish coloured substance.

*Remarks.*—Hydrochloric acid would dissolve some lead, if any of that metal in the state of sulphuret existed in the sesquisulphuret of antimony: this would remain in solution after the precipitation of the white substance by water, and hydrosulphuric acid would then give a dark-coloured precipitate with the strained solution instead of the reddish one, derived from a small quantity of antimony not thrown down by water. If also any copper had been dissolved, the same appearance would be induced by hydrosulphuric acid as with lead.

**ARGENTUM.** *Silver.*—It is totally dissolved by diluted nitric acid. This solution on the addition of chloride of sodium throws down a precipitate, which an excess of ammonia dissolves, and it should be free from colour. The chloride of silver being removed, and hydrosulphuric acid added to the solution, it is not coloured by it, and nothing is thrown down. The specific gravity of silver is 10.4.

*Remarks.*—If the silver contain gold, which is frequently the case it remains undissolved as a dark coloured powder; if lead, it will be dissolved by the nitric acid; and if the quantity be considerable, it will be precipitated with the silver, also in the state of a chloride by chloride of sodium, and this, unlike chloride of silver, would not be dissolved by excess of ammonia. When the chloride of silver is removed, the liquor may contain copper and some lead; with these hydrosulphuric acid would give dark-coloured precipitates.

**ARGENTI NITRAS.** *Nitrate of Silver.*—It is originally white, but blackens by exposure to light. It is entirely soluble in water. Cop-

per put into the solution precipitates silver; its other properties are as above detailed respecting silver.

*Remarks.*—If silver containing copper be used, the nitrate is greenish by the presence of subnitrate, or blackish on account of the oxide of copper which it contains. Chloride of sodium should give a white precipitate totally soluble in excess of ammonia, which it will not do if it contain chloride of lead. The solution after precipitation and the removal of the chloride of silver should give no precipitate, nor suffer any discoloration by hydrosulphuric acid; if it should, copper or lead, or both, may be present.

**ARGENTI CYANIDUM.** *Cyanide of Silver.*—By heat it yields cyanogen, and is reduced to silver.

*Remarks.*—If pure, the residual silver will be totally dissolved by nitric acid, and the solution will exhibit the properties above described respecting silver.

**BARYTE CARBONAS,** *Carbonate of Baryta.*—Totally soluble in diluted hydrochloric acid. This solution, on the addition of ammonia or hydrosulphuric acid, does not give any precipitate, and it remains colourless: when more sulphuric acid is added than is necessary to saturation, nothing is afterwards thrown down by carbonate of soda.

*Remarks.*—If totally soluble in hydrochloric acid, it contains no sulphate of baryta; if ammonia occasion no precipitate, it contains no alumina, oxide of lead, nor peroxide of iron; if hydrosulphuric acid occasion no colour, it is free from copper or lead; if carbonate of soda throw down nothing from the solution from which the sulphate of baryta has been precipitated by sulphuric acid, it contains no lime.

**BISMUTH.** *Bismuth.*—It is dissolved by diluted nitric acid; when subnitrate of bismuth is precipitated from this solution by ammonia the liquor is free from colour. Its specific gravity is 9.8.

*Remarks.*—If the bismuth contain copper, a blue-coloured solution remains after the precipitation of the bismuth by ammonia.

**BISMUTHI TRISNITRAS.** *Trisnitrate of Bismuth.*—It is soluble in nitric acid without effervescence. Diluted sulphuric acid being added to the solution, nothing is thrown down.

*Remarks.*—If it possess these properties, it contains no carbonate whatever, nor any oxide of lead.

**BORAX** (*crystalli*). *Borax (crystals).*—Totally soluble in water. Sulphuric acid throws down scaly crystals from the solution. These dissolved in alcohol burn with a green-coloured flame.

*Remark.*—The crystals are boracic acid separated from the soda of the borax by its superic affinity for sulphuric acid; sulphate of soda remains in solution.

**BROMINIUM.** *Bromine.*—Evaporates at a gentle heat, with an acrid smell. It is sparingly soluble in water, more in rectified spirit, and most in æther. Its specific gravity is 3.0.

**CALAMINA.** *Calamine.*—Almost entirely soluble in diluted sulphuric acid, emitting a few bubbles of carbonic acid, unless it has been

previously burnt. The solution, when ammonia or potash is added to it, gives a precipitate, which either of them added in excess dissolves.

*Remarks.*—If soluble in sulphuric acid, the calamine can contain but little carbonate of lime. The sulphuric solution should be colourless, and remain so, after the addition of the excess of ammonia; if blue, copper is present; if it contain iron, both ammonia and potash throw down the oxide, which neither of them re-dissolves when added in excess.

**CALCI CHLORIDUM.** *Chloride of Calcium.*—Free from colour; slightly translucent; hard and friable; totally soluble in water: the solution gives no precipitate on the addition of ammonia or chloride of barium, nor when diluted with much water, with ferrocyanide of potassium.

**CALCIS HYDRAS.** *Hydrate of Lime.*—Dissolves in dilute hydrochloric acid without effervescence. Ammonia added to the solution throws down nothing.

*Remarks.*—The solubility in dilute hydrochloric acid without effervescence proves the absence of carbonic acid, that the lime has been well burnt, and that no silica is present. If the solution gives no precipitate with ammonia, it contains neither oxide of iron nor alumina.

**CALX.** *Lime.*—Water being added it cracks and falls to powder. Its other properties are as above mentioned.

*Remark.*—Such portions as do not slack on the addition of water are insufficiently burnt; and when put into dilute muriatic acid effervesce, on account of the undecomposed carbonate of lime which they contain.

**CALX CHLORINATA.** *Chlorinated Lime.*—Dissolves in dilute muriatic acid, emitting chlorine.

*Remark.*—The chlorine gas is recognised by its colour, peculiar odour, and power of destroying vegetable and animal colour.

**CARBO ANIMALIS** (*purificatus*). *Animal Charcoal (purified).*—Emits no bubbles on the addition of hydrochloric acid; nor is anything thrown down from the acid either by ammonia or the sesquicarbonate of ammonia.

*Remarks.*—The purification is affected by means of hydrochloric acid, which should dissolve all the carbonate and phosphate of lime; if any of the former remain, it will dissolve with effervescence on the addition of hydrochloric acid, and the solution give a precipitate with sesquicarbonate of ammonia; if phosphate of lime be dissolved by the hydrochloric acid, the solution gives a precipitate both with ammonia and the sesquicarbonate of ammonia, which is phosphate of lime.

**CORNU.** *Horn.*—After it has been well burnt is almost entirely dissolved by nitric acid; then lime is separated by oxalate of ammonia; and phosphoric acid is precipitated by nitrate of lead.

*Remarks.*—The phosphate of lime, of which the horn, after burning, almost entirely consists, is dissolved by the nitric acid; oxalate



of lime is formed on adding oxalate of ammonia to the solution, which being insoluble in water is precipitated. Phosphate of lead results from the union of the phosphoric acid with the oxide of lead of the nitrate when added to the nitric solution, and this also being insoluble in water, it is precipitated.

**CREASOTON.** *Creasote*.—Oleaginous; colourless; its smell peculiar; translucent; boils at  $397^{\circ}$ . Does not congeal at  $50^{\circ}$ . Soluble in acetic acid.

**CRETA.** *Chalk*.—Totally soluble in dilute hydrochloric acid with effervescence. From this solution, after it has been boiled, when ammonia is dropped in, it throws down nothing.

*Remarks.*—If totally soluble in hydrochloric acid it contains no silica; and if the solution gives no precipitate with ammonia, it is free from alumina and oxide of iron.

**CUPRI SULPHAS** (*crystalli*). *Sulphate of Copper (crystals)*.—In the air it becomes slightly pulverulent and of a greenish colour. It is totally soluble in water. Whatever ammonia throws down from this solution an excess of ammonia dissolves.

*Remarks.*—If it become very green on the surface by exposure to the air, it is owing to the presence of sesquioxide of iron: if it contain this oxide, it is precipitated by ammonia, and an excess does not redissolve it; whereas oxide of copper is readily taken up by it.

**CUPRI AMMONIO-SULPHAS.** *Ammonio-Sulphate of Copper*.—By heat it is converted into oxide of copper, evolving ammonia. Dissolved in water it changes the colour of turmeric, and solution of arsenious acid renders it of a green colour.

*Remarks.* If it do not alter the colour of turmeric there is no excess of sesquicarbonate of ammonia; and without this it is not totally soluble in water, but is decomposed by it with precipitation. Arsenious acid unites with the oxide of copper to form green arsenite of copper, which, being insoluble in water, is precipitated.

**FERRI PERCYANIDUM.** *Percyanide of Iron*.—It is pure if, after being boiled with dilute hydrochloric acid, ammonia throws down nothing from the filtered solution.

*Remarks.*—If the percyanide of iron contained uncombined sesquioxide of iron or any alumina, they would be precipitated from the solution by ammonia.

**FERRI AMMONIO-CHLORIDUM.** *Ammonio-Chloride of Iron*.—Totally soluble in proof spirit and water. Potash added to the solution throws down sesquioxide of iron; afterwards, when added in excess, it evolves ammonia.

*Remarks.*—The iron of the sesquichloride is precipitated, by the action of the potash, in the state of sesquioxide; while another portion of this alkali decomposes the hydrochlorate of ammonia and evolves its ammonia.

**FERRI IODIDUM.** *Iodide of Iron*.—Emits violet vapours by heat, and sesquioxide of iron remains. When fresh prepared it is totally soluble in water. From this solution, when kept in a badly stopped

vessel, sesquioxide of iron is very soon precipitated; but with iron wire immersed in it, it may be kept clear in a well-stopped vessel.

*Remarks.*—By the action of the oxygen of the air the iron is converted into sesquioxide, which is insoluble in water; by the operation of the metallic iron, without the access of air, the decomposition even of the solution is prevented.

**FERRI POTASSIO-TARTRAS.** *Potassio-tartrate of Iron.*—Totally soluble in water: the solution does not change either litmus or turmeric; nor is it rendered blue by ferrocyanide of potassium; nor is anything precipitated from it by any acid or alkali. The magnet does not act upon it.

*Remarks.*—When improperly prepared, as by using bitartrate of potash and iron filings, a large portion is usually insoluble in water; and sometimes it contains metallic iron attracted by the magnet. Other salts of sesquioxide of iron give a blue precipitate with ferrocyanide of potassium, and the oxide is thrown down by any alkali. If the solution of this preparation act upon litmus-paper, the tartaric acid of the bitartrate of potash is not saturated with sesquioxide of iron.

**FERRI SESQUIOXYDUM.** *Sesquioxide of Iron.*—Dissolved totally by dilute hydrochloric acid with very slight effervescence, and it is precipitated by ammonia.

*Remark.*—The effervescence denotes the presence of a small unimportant portion of carbonic acid; after the precipitation of the sesquioxide of iron by ammonia, no other reagent should produce any change in the solution.

**FERRI SULPHAS (crystalli).** *Sulphate of Iron (crystals).*—Colour bluish green, dissolved by water. Iron put into the solution does not precipitate copper.

*Remark.*—When these crystals have been kept in a badly stopped bottle, or when exposed to the air, especially if moist, the protoxide of iron becomes sesquioxide, and the crystals are first rendered green and eventually a yellow deposit is formed on their surface, and this is insoluble in water.

**HYDRARGYRUM (purificatum).** *Mercury (purified).*—Totally dissipated in vapour by heat. Dissolved by diluted nitric acid. When boiled in hydrochloric acid, the acid when cold is not coloured, nor is anything precipitated from it, by hydrosulphuric acid. Its specific gravity is 13.5.

*Remarks.*—If the mercury contain other metals, most of them would remain after its vaporization; the solubility in nitric acid shows that it contains no tin, and hydrosulphuric acid not acting upon the hydrochloric acid after the mercury has been boiled in it, indicates the absence of most other metals.

**HYDRARGYRUM CUM CRETA.** *Mercury with Chalk.*—Part is evaporated by heat; what remains is colourless, and totally soluble in acetic acid with effervescence: this solution is not coloured by hydrosulphuric acid. These substances can scarcely be so diligently triturated as that no globules shall be visible.



*Remarks.*—If the mercury be pure, then it is totally evaporated; and the residue is merely chalk or carbonate of lime, which the acetic acid dissolves with the evolution of carbonic acid. If the mercury contained any metal, it would either be left or dissolved by the acetic acid; if the latter, hydrosulphuric acid would, except in few cases, detect it in the solution.

**HYDRARGYRI OXYDUM** (*cinereum*). *Oxide of Mercury (grey).*—Digested for a short time with diluted hydrochloric acid and strained. neither solution of potash nor oxalate of ammonia throw down anything. It is totally soluble in acetic acid. By heat it is totally dissipated.

*Remarks.*—If the oxide of mercury be pure, it is totally converted by hydrochloric acid into protochloride, which remains insoluble. If it contain any binoxide, it will be dissolved by the acid and precipitated from solution of an orange colour by potash; and if during its preparation any carbonate of lime should have been precipitated with the oxide of mercury, it will be dissolved by the hydrochloric acid and precipitated as an insoluble oxalate by the oxalate of ammonia. If it contain undecomposed chloride of mercury it will remain after the action of the acetic acid; and anything which is not evaporated by heat is an impurity.

**HYDRARGYRI BINOXYDUM** (*rubrum*). *Bin oxide of Mercury (red).*—On the application of heat it yields oxygen, and the mercury either runs into globules, or is totally dissipated. It is entirely soluble in hydrochloric acid.

*Remarks.*—When it is dissolved in nitric acid, no precipitate is yielded by nitrate of silver; or if there should be any, either it has not been sufficiently washed, or the bichloride of mercury has been imperfectly decomposed, and, consequently, precipitates the silver of the nitrate of silver as a chloride.

**HYDRARGYRI NITRICO-OXYDUM.** *Nitric-oxide of mercury.*—On the application of heat no nitric vapour is emitted. Neither lime-water nor hydrosulphuric acid throws down anything from the water in which it has been boiled. In other respects it resembles the preceding preparation.

*Remarks.*—Nitric vapour, should it arise, results from the decomposition of nitric acid, which should have been previously expelled by heat; if lime-water or hydrosulphuric acid throw down anything from the water in which it is boiled, it is because some nitrate of mercury undecomposed by heat has been dissolved by the water; or it contained some other metallic salt.

**HYDRARGYRI AMMONIO-CHLORIDUM.** *Ammonio chloride of Mercury.*—Totally evaporated by heat. When digested with acetic acid, iodide of potassium throws down nothing either yellow or blue. The powder rubbed with lime water does not become black. It is totally dissolved by hydrochloric acid without effervescence. When heated with solution of potash it becomes yellow and emits ammonia.

*Remarks.*—If it contain any fixed impurity, it would not be evaporated by heat. The non-production of a yellow or blue colour by iodide of potassium in the acetic solution shows that it contains nei-



ther oxide of lead nor starch, for this oxide would yield a yellow iodide of lead, and the starch would give a blue precipitate. If lime-water imparted blackness to it, it would indicate the presence of protoxide of mercury. If it dissolve without effervescence in hydrochloric acid, no carbonate of lime or other carbonate has been mixed with it. There is no other white substance which, when heated with potash, yields ammonia and becomes yellow.

**HYDRARGYRI CHLORIDUM.** *Chloride of Mercury.*—A whitish powder, which on the addition of potash becomes black, and then, when heated, runs into globules of mercury. It is also totally vaporized by heat. The distilled water with which it has been washed, or in which it has been boiled, gives no precipitate with nitrate of silver, lime-water, nor hydrosulphuric acid.

*Remarks.*—Chloride of mercury yields protoxide of that metal by potash, which is black, and this by being heated loses oxygen, and is reduced to metallic mercury. If by heat it be totally vaporized, it contains no fixed impurity. If it contain bichloride of mercury, that would be dissolved by water; and from this solution nitrate of silver would throw down chloride of silver; lime-water, yellowish binoxide of mercury; and hydrosulphuric acid, a sulphuret of mercury.

**HYDRARGYRI BICHLORIDUM (crystallinum).** *Bichloride of Mercury (crystalline).*—It liquifies by heat and sublimes. It is totally soluble in water and sulphuric æther. Whatever is thrown down from water, either by solution of potash or lime-water, is of a reddish colour; or, if a sufficient quantity be added, it is yellow; this yellow substance by heat emits oxygen, and runs into globules of mercury.

*Remarks.*—Whatever remains after exposure to heat is an impurity. If it contain chloride of mercury, it is insoluble in water. The yellow substance precipitated by potash is hydrated binoxide of mercury, which when heated loses water and oxygen, and metallic mercury remains or may be dissipated by increasing the heat.

**HYDRARGYRI BICYANIDUM (crystalli).** *Bicyanide of Mercury (crystals).*—Transparent, and totally soluble in water. The solution, when hydrochloric acid is added, emits hydrocyanic acid, which is known by its peculiar smell; and a glass moistened with the solution of nitrate of silver and placed over it, gives a deposit which is dissolved by boiling nitric acid. By heat it emits cyanogen, and runs into globules of mercury.

*Remarks.*—Bichloride of mercury remains after the action of hydrochloric acid upon the bicyanide. Whatever is not volatilized by heat is an impurity.

**HYDRARGYRI IODIDUM.** *Iodide of Mercury.*—When recently prepared it is yellowish, and when heat is cautiously applied it sublimes in red crystals, which afterwards become yellow, and then by excess of light they blacken. It is not soluble in chloride of sodium.

**HYDRARGYRI BINIODIDUM.** *Biniodide of Mercury.*—By heat cautiously applied it is sublimed in scales, which soon become yellow, and afterwards, when they are cold, red. It is partially soluble in boiling rectified spirit, which affords crystals as it cools. It is alter-

nately dissolved and precipitated by iodide of potassium and bichloride of mercury. It is totally soluble in chloride of sodium.

**HYDRARGYRI BISULPHURETUM (*rubrum*).** *Bisulphuret of Mercury (red).*—Totally evaporated by heat, and on potash being added to it, it runs into globules of mercury. It is not dissolved either by nitric or hydrochloric acid, but is so by a mixture of them. Rectified spirit, with which it has been boiled or washed, acquires no red colour. Digested with acetic acid it yields no yellow precipitate by iodide of potassium.

*Remarks.*—When heated by itself it is volatilized undecomposed, but when heated with potash it is decomposed, and mercury is obtained. No acid dissolves it, but the nascent chlorine yielded by the mutual decomposition of nitric and hydrochloric acids converts it into sulphuric acid, and into peroxide of mercury which dissolves. If it contain any deutoxide of lead, a portion of that would be dissolved by acetic acid, and the solution would give a yellow iodide of lead, with iodide of potassium.

**HYDRARGYRI SULPHURETUM CUM SULPHURE (*nigrum*).** *Sulphuret of Mercury with Sulphur (black).*—Totally evaporates by heat, no charcoal nor phosphate of lime being left.

*Remarks.*—If adulterated with animal charcoal, phosphate of lime would remain after calcination in a strong heat.

**IODINIUM.** *Iodine.*—On the application of heat it first fuses, and then sublimates in a purple vapour. It is very slightly soluble in water, but more soluble in alcohol. With starch it produces a blue colour.

**LITMUS.** *Litmus.*—Soluble both in water and alcohol. Its blue colour is reddened by acids, and is restored by the addition of alkalis.

**MANGANESII BINOXYDUM.** *Binoxide of Manganese.*—Soluble in hydrochloric acid, evolving chlorine. What is thrown down from the solution by potash is at first white, and soon becomes brown; it rarely also happens that ferrocyanide of potassium does not render it green. When first dried and afterwards heated to whiteness, 100 parts lose 12.

*Remarks.*—If it dissolve in hydrochloric acid without effervescence or residue, and without giving a greenish or blue tint with ferrocyanide of potassium, it contains neither any carbonate earthy matter, nor oxide of iron. The brown colour, which the white precipitate soon assumes, is owing to the absorption of oxygen. The loss of 12 per cent. is owing to the expulsion of oxygen, and red oxide of manganese is left.

**MAGNESIA.** *Magnesia.*—Dissolves in hydrochloric acid without effervescence. Neither bicarbonate of potash, nor chloride of barium throws down anything from the solution. It turns turmeric slightly brown.

*Remarks.*—The solubility in hydrochloric acid without effervescence, shows that the carbonic acid has been perfectly expelled; any substance which remains unacted upon by the acid is an impurity. If the magnesia contained lime, it would be precipitated from the solution by the bicarbonate of potash; and if insufficiently washed,



the sulphate and carbonate of soda which it might contain would be precipitated by the chloride of barium. It acts but slightly on turmeric paper even when moistened.

**MAGNESIÆ CARBONAS. Carbonate of Magnesia.**—The water in which it is boiled does not alter the colour of turmeric; chloride of barium or nitrate of silver added to the water does not precipitate anything. One hundred parts dissolved in dilute sulphuric acid lose 36.6 parts in weight. When the effervescence has ceased, bicarbonate of potash does not precipitate anything from the solution.

*Remarks.*—If the water in which it is boiled alter turmeric, excess of carbonate of soda has been used, and the carbonate of magnesia has not been sufficiently washed. If chloride of barium give a precipitate in the water, then either carbonate of soda or sulphate of soda, or both, may be present from insufficient washing; and a precipitate yielded by nitrate of silver would indicate the presence of a chloride. The loss of 36.6 per cent. in weight by dissolving it in dilute sulphuric acid, is derived from the expulsion of carbonic acid. Bicarbonate of potash does not precipitate magnesia from sulphuric acid; if, therefore, there be any precipitate on mixing them, it is derived from impurity.

**MAGNESIÆ SULPHAS (crystalli). Sulphate of Magnesia (crystals).**—Very readily dissolved by water. Sulphuric acid dropt into the solution does not expel any hydrochloric acid. One hundred grains dissolved in water and mixed with a boiling solution of carbonate of soda, yield 34 grains of carbonate of magnesia when dried.

*Remarks.*—The non-emission of hydrochloric acid on the addition of sulphuric acid, shows that no notable quantity of any chloride is present. If 34 grains of dry carbonate of magnesia be obtained, the sulphate of magnesia is unmixed with sulphate of soda.

**MARMOR. Marble.**—White, dissolves in hydrochloric acid with effervescence. Ammonia throws down nothing from this solution, nor is it decomposed by the addition of a solution of sulphate of lime in water.

*Remarks.*—If ammonia throw down anything from the solution after boiling, it must be an impurity, for lime is not precipitated by it. If solution of sulphate of lime give a precipitate, it must be sulphate of barytes or strontia, or occasioned by some impurity.

**MEL. Honey.**—Is not to be used without being despumated. Dissolved in water, iodide of potassium and any acid being added, it does not become of a blue colour.

*Remarks.*—The non-production of a blue colour shows that neither starch nor flour has been fraudulently mixed with honey.

**MORPHIA. Morphia.**—Very little soluble in cold water, little in boiling water, but very readily in alcohol: this solution exhibits alkaline properties when tried with turmeric; and when the spirit is distilled from it, it yields crystals, which are totally destroyed by heat. On the addition of nitric acid, morphia becomes first red, and afterwards yellow. Tincture of sesquichloride of iron gives it a blue colour. Chlorine and ammonia being added to its salts, they are rendered of a brown colour, which is destroyed when more



chlorine is added. Morphia is also precipitated from its salts by solution of potash, which added in excess redissolves it.

**MORPHIÆ ACETAS** (*crystalli*). *Acetate of Morphia (crystals)*.—Very readily dissolved in water. Its other properties are such as have been stated of morphia.

**MORPHIÆ HYDROCHLORAS** (*crystalli*). *Hydrochlorate of Morphia (crystals)*.—Soluble in water. What is precipitated from the solution by nitrate of silver is not totally dissolved either by ammonia, unless added in excess, nor by hydrochloric or nitric acid.

**OLEUM ÆTHEREUM**. *Etherial Oil*.—Odour peculiar, and slightly acrid; totally soluble in sulphuric æther, and does not show acidity with litmus. Its specific gravity is 1.05.

**PHOSPHORUS**. *Phosphorus*.—Nearly free from colour, translucent like wax, emits light in the dark. It is sparingly dissolved by most distilled oils and sulphuric æther. Phosphorus should be kept in water and excluded from light.

**PLUMBI ACETAS** (*crystalli*). *Acetate of Lead (crystals)*.—Dissolved by distilled water. By carbonate of soda a white precipitate is thrown down from the solution, and by iodide of potassium a yellow one; by hydrosulphuric acid it is blackened. Sulphuric acid evolves acetic vapours. By heat it first fuses, and is afterwards reduced to metallic lead.

*Remarks*.—The white precipitate by carbonate of soda is carbonate of lead; the yellow one by iodide of potassium, is iodide of lead; and the black one by hydrosulphuric acid, is sulphuret of lead. The acetic acid vapour is emitted on account of the greater affinity of sulphuric acid for oxide of lead, with which it forms a white precipitate of sulphate of lead.

**PLUMBI DIACETATIS LIQUOR**. *Solution of Diacetate of Lead*.—Its specific gravity is 1.260. Its other properties are similar to those of the last preparation.

**PLUMBI CARBONAS**. *Carbonate of Lead*.—Dissolved with effervescence in dilute nitric acid. What is precipitated from the solution by potash is white, and is redissolved by excess of it: it becomes black on the addition of hydrosulphuric acid. It becomes yellow by heat, and with the addition of charcoal it is reduced to metallic lead.

*Remarks*.—If totally soluble in nitric acid, it contains neither sulphate of lead nor of barytes; pure oxide of lead is totally dissolved by potash, and yields black sulphuret of lead with hydrosulphuric acid. By heat it loses carbonic acid, and becomes protoxide of lead, which, when heated with charcoal, yields to it oxygen, and is reduced to the metallic state.

**PLUMBI CHLORIDUM** (*crystallinum*). *Chloride of Lead (crystalline)*.—Totally dissolved by boiling water, the chloride concreting almost entirely into crystals as it cools. On the addition of hydrosulphuric acid it becomes black, and by heat yellow.

*Remarks*.—If totally soluble in water it is free from sulphate of lead.

**PLUMBI IODIDUM**, *Iodide of Lead*.—Totally dissolved by boiling

water, and as it cools separates in shining yellow scales. It melts by heat, and the greater part is dissipated first in yellow, and afterwards in violet vapours.

**PLUMBI OXYDUM** (*semivitreum*). *Oxide of Lead (semivitreous)*.—Almost entirely soluble in dilute nitric acid. Its other properties are the same as those of carbonate of lead preceding.

**PLUMBI OXYDUM** (*hydratum*). *Oxide of Lead (hydrated)*.—What is used in preparing disulphate of quina should be totally dissolved by dilute nitric acid. Its remaining properties resemble those of the preceding.

**POTASSÆ LIQUOR**. *Solution of Potash*.—Its specific gravity is 1.063. It strongly changes the colour of turmeric to brown. Dilute nitric acid being added, but very few, or no bubbles of carbonic acid are given out; from the saturated solution scarcely anything whatever should be precipitated either by carbonate of soda, chloride of barium, or nitrate of silver. From this solution, or from any salt of potash dissolved in water, the precipitate thrown down by chloride of platina is yellowish.

*Remarks*.—Its action upon turmeric evinces the well known alkaline power of potash. If much carbonic acid be given out on the addition of the nitric, it shows that the lime used in preparing the solution was deficient in quantity or quality. When converted into nitrate of potash by means of nitric acid, if it give a precipitate with carbonate of soda, some earthly or metallic impurity is present; if with chloride of barium, a sulphate; and if with nitrate of silver, a chloride renders the solution impure. The yellow precipitate yielded by chloride of platina is a double chloride of potassium and platina, which distinguishes potash and its salts from soda and its compounds.

**POTASSÆ HYDRAS**. *Hydrate of Potash*.—In an open vessel it speedily liquefies. It is totally soluble in alcohol. Its other properties are as above.

**POTASSA CUM CALCE**. *Potash with Lime*.—Mixes with water; on the addition of an acid it yields no carbonic acid. It is not entirely dissolved in alcohol.

*Remarks*.—The Potash only is taken up by the alcohol, the lime remains.

**POTASSÆ ACETAS**. *Acetate of Potash*.—Is totally dissolved both by water and by alcohol; the solution does not effect either litmus or turmeric. Nothing is precipitated from the aqueous solution either by chloride of barium or nitrate of silver; if the solution be strong, then any precipitate which the latter may occasion is redissolved on the addition of dilute nitric acid or water. By a red heat it is totally converted into carbonate of potash. Sulphuric acid added to it emits acetic vapours.

*Remarks*.—Its total solubility in water proves the absence of insoluble mechanical admixture, and its solubility in alcohol shows that it contains no sulphate of potash: that the solution produces no change either upon litmus or turmeric proves that there is no excess either of acid or alkali. If it contain sulphate of potash, sulphate of barytes will be precipitated by chloride of barium, and if chloride of potassium, chloride of silver will be thrown down from



the nitrate. From a strong solution acetate of silver may be precipitated by the nitrate; this redissolves on the addition of dilute nitric acid or water, while the chloride of silver does not. At a red heat the acetic acid is decomposed, its hydrogen is expelled, and its carbon and oxygen forming carbonic acid, it remains in combination with the potash. Sulphuric acid expels the acetic acid, and sulphate of potash remains.

**POTASSÆ CARBONAS.** *Carbonate of Potash.*—Almost entirely dissolved by water; in an open vessel it spontaneously liquefies. It changes the colour of turmeric brown. When supersaturated with nitric acid, neither carbonate of soda nor chloride of barium throws down anything, and nitrate of silver but little. One hundred parts loose 16 of water by a strong heat, and the same quantity loses 26 parts of carbonic acid on the addition of dilute sulphuric acid.

*Remarks.*—The portion insoluble in water is in general a small portion of earthy impurity. When carbonate of soda produces no precipitate in the nitric solution, there is no earthy impurity: chloride of barium indicates the presence of a sulphate when it occasions a precipitate, and nitrate of silver of a chloride.

**POTASSÆ CARBONATIS LIQUOR.** *Solution of Carbonate of Potash.*—Specific gravity 1.473. Its other properties as above mentioned.

**POTASSÆ BICARBONAS.** (*crystalli*). *Bicarbonate of Potash (crystals).*—Totally dissolved by water, and the solution slightly changes the colour of turmeric. Sulphate of magnesia throws down nothing from this solution unless it be heated. From 100 parts 30.7 are expelled by a red heat. After the addition of excess of nitric acid chloride of barium throws down nothing, and nitrate of silver very little if any thing.

*Remarks.*—When not thoroughly converted into bicarbonate of potash, the action of the solution upon turmeric paper is stronger. If any magnesia be precipitated from the sulphates without the application of heat, it also denotes the formation of an imperfect bicarbonate. The 30.7 parts expelled by heat are carbonic acid and water; if the crystals be not dry, the loss of water will be greater, and if the carbonic acid be deficient it will be diminished. The non-action of chloride of barium proves the absence of sulphate of potash, and the slight precipitation usually occasioned by nitrate of silver shows but a minute portion of chloride of potassium.

**POTASSÆ CHLORAS** (*crystalli*). *Chlorate of Potash (crystals).*—Totally dissolved by distilled water. The solution throws down nothing on the addition of nitrate of silver. It liquefies by heat, and if it be more strongly urged it yields oxygen, and is converted into chloride of potassium. A few drops of sulphuric acid dropt on the crystals, the salt first becomes yellow, afterwards red, and gives out peroxide of chlorine.

*Remarks.*—If any chloride of potassium be present, then nitrate of silver gives a precipitate of chloride of silver. One hundred grains lose nearly 39 grains of oxygen, and leave 61 of chloride of potassium.

**POTASSÆ NITRAS.** (*crystalli*). *Nitrate of Potash (crystals).*—Totally dissolved by distilled water. Neither chloride of barium nor nitrate of silver precipitates anything from the solution. It liquefies by heat, and in a strong fire it yields oxygen, and the salt remaining, rubbed to powder gives nitrous vapours by sulphuric acid.



*Remarks.*—The non-action of chloride of barium and nitrate of silver proves the absence of a sulphate or a chloride. By heat and the loss of oxygen it becomes hyponitrite of potash, which the sulphuric acid decomposes, with the extrication of red vapours.

POTASSÆ SULPHAS (*crystalli*). *Sulphate of Potash (crystals).*—Insoluble in alcohol, and slightly soluble in distilled water. What is thrown down from the solution by chloride of platina is yellowish, and by chloride of barium is white, and insoluble in nitric acid.

*Remarks.*—It has been already stated that the precipitate afforded with chloride of platina with the salts of potash is yellow; that yielded by chloride of barium is sulphate of barytes.

POTASSÆ TARTRAS (*crystalli*). *Tartrate of Potash (crystals).*—Readily dissolves by water. From the solution almost any acid throws down crystals of bitartrate of potash, most of which adhere to the vessel.

Whatever is precipitated from the same solution by chloride of barium or acetate of lead is dissolved by dilute nitric acid.

*Remarks.*—If the tartrate of potash contained any sulphate, the precipitates yielded by chloride of barium and acetate of lead would not dissolve in dilute nitric acid.

POTASSÆ BITARTRAS (*crystalli*). *Bitartrate of Potash (crystals).*—It is sparingly dissolved by water. It renders the colour of litmus red. At a red heat it is converted into carbonate of potash.

*Remarks.*—The excess of acid reddens the litmus, by a red heat the tartaric acid is decomposed. Its carbon and oxygen combine to form carbonic acid, and this uniting with the potash forms a carbonate.

POTASSII BROMIDUM (*crystalli*). *Bromide of Potassium (crystals).*—Totally dissolved by water. It does not alter the colour of litmus or turmeric. Chloride of barium throws down nothing from this solution. Sulphuric acid and starch added together render it yellow. Subjected to heat it loses no weight. Ten grains of this salt are capable of acting upon 14.28 grains of nitrate of silver and precipitating a yellowish bromide of silver, which is dissolved by ammonia, and but very little by nitric acid.

*Remarks.*—The non-action of litmus and turmeric proves the absence of free acid and alkali; and that of chloride of barium shows that no sulphate is present. The sulphuric acid decomposes the bromide, and the bromine set free produces the well-known yellow colour, with the starch. As it contains no water of crystallization it should lose no weight by heat. If it decompose a larger quantity of nitrate of silver than above stated, it is probably owing to the presence of chloride of potassium.

POTASSII FERROCYANIDUM (*crystalli*). *Ferrocyanide of Potassium (crystals).*—Totally dissolved by water. A gentle heat evaporates 12.6 parts from 100 parts. It slightly alters the colour of turmeric. What it throws down from the preparations of sesquioxide of iron is blue, and that from the preparations of zinc is white. When burnt, the residue dissolved by hydrochloric acid is again thrown down by ammonia; 18.7 parts of sesquioxide of iron are yielded by 100 parts.

*Remarks.*—The 12·6 parts separated from 100 by a gentle heat of water. The action upon turmeric paper is probably derived from a little undecomposed potash retained by the water of crystallization; the blue precipitate occasioned in solutions of sesquioxide of iron is percyanide of iron or Prussian blue; the white one formed in solutions of zinc, is ferrocyanide of zinc. The 18·7 per cent. of sesquioxide of iron obtained after the action of a red heat result from the oxidizement of the metallic iron of the ferrocyanide of potassium.

**POTASSII IODIDUM** (*crystalli*). *Iodide of Potassium (crystals)*.—Totally soluble in water and in alcohol. It alters the colour of turmeric either not at all, or very slightly. It does not alter the colour of litmus. Subjected to heat it loses no weight. Sulphuric acid and starch added together it becomes blue. Ten grains of this salt are sufficient to decompose 10·24 grains of nitrate of silver; what is precipitated is partly dissolved by nitric acid and partly altered in appearance, which is not the case when ammonia is added.

*Remarks.*—The non-action upon turmeric and litmus proves the absence of an alkali or acid. It contains no water of crystallization, and therefore any loss occasioned by heat is mere adherent moisture. It is decomposed by sulphuric acid, and the iodine set free produces the characteristic blue colour by acting upon the starch. If it decomposes a larger proportion of nitrate of silver than above stated, it is probably owing to the presence of chloride of potassium. Iodide of silver is insoluble in ammonia.

**POTASSII SULPHURETUM**. *Sulphuret of Potassium*.—Fresh broken it exhibits a brownish yellow colour. Dissolved in water, or in almost any acid, it exhales a smell of hydrosulphuric acid. The aqueous solution is of a yellow colour. What is thrown down by acetate of lead is first red, and it afterwards blackens.

*Remarks.*—By long keeping in imperfectly stopped vessels it absorbs oxygen, and being converted into sulphate of potash, it becomes nearly colourless, sparingly soluble in water, emits no smell of hydrosulphuric acid, and precipitates acetate of lead white.

**QUINA**. *Quina*.—The alkali prepared from the bark of the heart-leaved Cinchona. Not dissolved by water, unless mixed with an acid, but readily dissolved by alcohol. It alters the colour of turmeric; it has a bitter taste, and is totally destroyed by heat.

**QUINÆ DISULPHAS**. *Disulphate of Quina*.—Totally dissolved in water, especially when mixed with an acid. Quina is thrown down by ammonia, the liquor being evaporated what remains ought not to taste of sugar. One hundred parts of disulphate of quina lose 8 to 10 parts of water with a gentle heat. It is totally consumed by fire. Chlorine first added to it, and afterwards ammonia, it becomes green.

**SODÆ ACETAS** (*crystalli*). *Acetate of Soda (crystals)*.—Totally dissolved by water, but not at all by alcohol. It does not alter the colour of litmus or turmeric. It is not precipitated by chloride of barium nor by nitrate of silver. In a strong fire it is converted into carbonate of soda. Sulphuric acid added evolves an acetic odour. From this or any other salt of soda dissolved in water, nothing is thrown down by chloride of platina.



*Remarks.*—The non-action of litmus, turmeric, chloride of barium, and nitrate of silver shows that it is free from excess of acid or alkali, and that it contains neither a sulphate nor a chloride. In a strong heat the hydrogen of the acetic acid is expelled, and its carbon and oxygen form carbonic acid, which combines with the soda to form the carbonate. Sulphuric acid decomposes this salt, expelling the acetic acid and forming sulphate of soda with the alkali. If it contain any salt of potash, it will be detected by the precipitate which it yields with chloride of platina.

**SODÆ CARBONAS (crystalli).** *Carbonate of Soda (crystals).*—Fresh prepared translucent, but, in an open vessel, it in a short time falls to powder. It is totally soluble in water, but not at all in alcohol. It alters the colour of turmeric like an alkali.

*Remarks.*—If usually pure and saturated with nitric acid it yields but little precipitate of chloride with the nitrate of silver, nor any sulphate of barytes with the chloride of barium.

**SODÆ CARBONAS EXSICCATA.** *Dried Carbonate of Soda.*—In drying this salt, 100 parts of the above-described crystals yield 62 by a strong heat. The remainder is unchanged.

**SODÆ SESQUICARBONAS.** *Sesquicarbonate of Soda.*—Totally dissolved by water. Neither chloride of platina, nor sulphate of magnesia unless heated, throws down anything from this solution. By a strong fire it is converted into an hydrous carbonate of soda.

*Remarks.*—If it contain any salt of potash, chloride of platina would precipitate, as already noticed, a double salt of potassium and platina. The aqueous solution acts but slightly on turmeric paper. If it do not contain the proper quantity of carbonic acid, it will precipitate sulphate of magnesia without the application of heat. By exposure to a strong heat it loses one-third of its carbonic acid and all its water.

**SODÆ CARBONATIS LIQUOR EFFERVESCENS.** *Effervescing Solution of Carbonate of Soda.*—The blue colour of litmus at first reddens in this solution; it returns when heated after the effervescence has ceased.

*Remarks.*—The conversion of the blue colour of litmus to red and its return after the application of heat, show that carbonic acid only has produced the effect.

**SODÆ CHLORINATÆ LIQUOR.** *Solution of chlorinated Soda.*—At first the colour of turmeric is altered to brown in this solution, afterwards it is destroyed. When dilute hydrochloric acid is added, carbonic acid and chlorine are evolved together; solution of sulphate of indigo is decolorized by the latter; lime is precipitated from lime water by the former.

*Remarks.*—The alkaline effect upon turmeric paper is produced by the carbonate of soda, the subsequent bleaching effect by the chlorine. By the action of hydrochloric acid and the expulsion of the carbonic acid and chlorine, a solution of chloride of sodium is obtained. The lime thrown down from lime water is in the state of carbonate.

**SODÆ PHOSPHAS (crystalli).** *Phosphate of Soda (crystals).*—Exposed to the air it slightly effloresces. It is totally dissolved by



water, but not by alcohol. What is thrown down from the solution by chloride of barium is white: the precipitate by nitrate of silver is yellow unless the phosphate of soda has been previously made red hot. Both precipitates are soluble in nitric acid.

*Remarks.*—If the precipitate obtained by chloride of barium is not totally soluble in nitric acid, the phosphate of barytes is mixed with sulphate. When the phosphate of soda has been heated it becomes pyrophosphate, and then gives a white pyrophosphate of silver.

**SODÆ SULPHAS** (*crystalli*). *Sulphate of Soda (crystals).*—Exposed to the air it falls to powder. Totally dissolved by water, very slightly by alcohol. It does not alter the colour of litmus or turmeric. Nitrate of silver throws down scarcely anything from a dilute solution; nitrate of barytes more, which is not dissolved by nitric acid. One hundred parts of this salt lose 55 parts by a strong heat.

*Remarks.*—If neither litmus nor turmeric be acted upon by this salt, it is as it should be, neutral. The precipitate obtained by nitrate of silver is a small portion of chloride, denoting the presence of chloride of sodium, the precipitate formed by nitrate of barytes is sulphate of barytes. The loss of 55 per cent. by a strong heat is water.

**SODÆ POTASSIO-TARTRAS** (*crystalli*). *Potash-Tartrate of Soda (crystals).*—Totally dissolved by water. Neither chloride of barium nor nitrate of silver throws down anything from the solution. It does not alter the colour of litmus or turmeric. By sulphuric acid, when added, part of it is converted into bitartrate of potash.

*Remarks.*—When neither litmus nor turmeric is altered in colour, the tartaric acid of the bitartrate of potash has been accurately saturated by soda. The non-precipitation by nitrate of silver and chloride of barium proves the absence of any chloride and sulphate. The sulphuric acid takes half the potash from the tartaric and thus converts the remainder into bitartrate, which precipitates in minute crystals.

**SODII CHLORIDUM** (*crystalli*). *Chloride of Sodium (crystals).*—Almost equally soluble in cold or hot water. It does not alter the colour of litmus or turmeric. Carbonate of soda or nitrate of barytes precipitates scarcely anything.

*Remarks.*—If neither litmus nor turmeric be acted upon, there is neither acid nor alkali present. If carbonate of soda give no precipitate no earthy salt is present, and if nitrate of barytes give none, no sulphate is mixed with the salt.

**SPIRITUS ÆTHERIS NITRICI.**—The specific gravity of it is .834. It changes the colour of litmus slightly red. On the addition of carbonate of soda no bubbles of carbonic acid are produced. It is also distinguished by its characteristic smell.

*Remarks.*—If the specific gravity be greater than .834, water or excess of nitric acid, or both, are probably present. If litmus be strongly reddened there is great excess of acid, which decomposes carbonate of soda and expels carbonic acid.

**SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ.** *Spirit of Ammonia.*—The specific gravity of this is .860.

**SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ AROMATICUS.** *Aromatic Spirit of Ammonia.*—The specific gravity of this is .914.

**SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ FÆTIDUS.** *Fætid Spirit of Ammonia.*—The specific gravity of this is .861.

**SPIRITUS RECTIFICATUS.** *Rectified Spirit.*—The specific gravity of this is .838. It is free from colour, and is not rendered turbid on the addition of water. In taste and smell it resembles wine. This spirit may be reduced to proof-spirit by adding to five pints of it three pints of distilled water at the temperature of 62°.

**SPIRITUS TENUIOR.** *Proof-Spirit.*—The specific gravity of this is .920 according to the laws of the kingdom. Its other properties are similar to those of the preceding.

**STANNUM.** *Tin.*—Boiled with hydrochloric acid it is almost entirely dissolved. The solution is free from colour but becomes purple on the addition of chloride of gold. What is precipitated by potash is white, and when added in excess it is redissolved. The specific gravity of tin is 7.29.

**STRYCHNIA (crystalli).** *Strychnia (crystals).*—Readily dissolves in boiling alcohol, but not so in water. It melts by heat, and if it be more strongly urged it is totally dissipated. This being endowed with violent powers it is to be cautiously administered.

**SULPHUR (Sublimatum).** *Sulphur (Sublimed).*—At a temperature of 600° it totally evaporates. When washed with water it does not alter the colour of litmus.

**VERATRIA.** *Veratria.*—Dissolves but slightly in water, more soluble in alcohol, but most in sulphuric æther. It has no smell, and a bitter taste. It is to be cautiously administered.

**ZINCI SULPHAS (crystalli).** *Sulphate of Zinc (crystals).*—Totally dissolved by water. What is thrown down by ammonia is white, and when the ammonia is added in excess, it is again dissolved. On the addition of chloride of barium or acetate of lead they are decomposed.

*Remarks.*—If the sulphate of zinc contain oxide of iron it will be precipitated by the ammonia, but not redissolved by it. If it contain copper, the solution will be rendered blue by ammonia.

**ZINCUM.** *Zinc.*—Almost entirely dissolved by diluted sulphuric acid. The solution is free from colour. Its other properties as above. The specific gravity is 6.86.





# CONSPLECTUS,

&c.

**ABIIETIS RESINA.** Resin of the Spruce Fir. (*Pinus Abies*. The Spruce Fir. *Monœcia Monadelphica*, N. O. *Coniferæ*. Europe, America. ♀).—*Thus*.

*Comp.* Resin and volatile oil.

*Prop.* Solid, dry, brittle; externally brownish yellow; internally whitish.

*Oper.* Rubefacient, diuretic.

*Use.* Externally, as plasters, in catarrh, pertussis, and dyspnœa.

*Off. Prep.* *Emp. Galbani*, *Emp. Opil.*, *Emp. Picis*.

**ABSINTHIUM.** Wormwood. (*Artemisia Absinthium*, Common Wormwood. *Syngen. Superfl.* N. O. *Compositæ*, *Corymbifera*. Indigenious. 4.) *Absinthium vulgare*.

*Prop.* Odour strong and unpleasant; taste bitter, nauseous; extracted by water and alcohol.

*Oper.* Tonic, antispasmodic, anthelmintic, discutient, antiseptic.

*Use.* In intermittents, dyspepsia, gout, hypochondriasis, dropsy, and epilepsy not depending on organic changes. Clysters of the decoction are useful in ascarides.

*Dose.* In substance, ℥j. to ℥ij, Infusion, (3vj. to water 0j.) f3iv. to f3xij., three or four times a day.

*Incomp.* Sulphates of iron and of zinc; acetate and diacetate of lead.

**ACACIA.** P. 1824 — *Gummi.* Gum Arabic. (*Acacia vera*, *Polygam.* *Monœcia*. N. O. *Leguminosæ*. Africa. ♀.) *Arabicum Gummi*.

*Comp.* Carbon, hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, and lime,

*Prop.* Inodorous, insipid; in irregular pieces, colourless, or of a pale yellow colour, hard, brittle, fracture shining, transparent, soluble in water, insoluble in alcohol: spec. grav. 1.4317.

*Oper.* Demulcent.

*Use.* In catarrh, pertussis, ardor urinæ, &c.

*Dose.* In substance 3j to 3ij. In decoctions, ad libitum.

*Incomp.* Goulard's extract, alcohol, sulphuric ether, muriated tincture of iron.

*Off. Prep.* *Mist. Acaciæ*, *Mistura Cretæ*, *Mistura Moschi*, *Confectio Amygdalæ*, *Pulvis Cretæ Comp.* *Pulv. Tragacanthæ Comp.*

**ACETOSELLA.** Wood Sorrel. (*Oxalis Acetosella*. Common Wood Sorrel. *Decand. Pentagynia*, N. O. *Oxalideæ*. Europe. 4.) *Luzula, folium*.

*Prop.* Inodorous, taste a sweetish acid; juice coagulates milk.

*Oper.* Refrigerant, antiseptic.

*Use.* In bilious and putrid fevers, and inflammatory complaints.

*Dose.* An infusion of a handful in  $\text{Oij}$  of water, or boiled in milk in the same proportions to form a whey, ad libitum.

**ACETUM.** Vinegar.

*Comp.* Acetic acid, water, alcohol, mucilage, tartaric acid, tartrate of potassa, sugar; extractive.

*Prop.* Odour pungent, taste a pleasant acid, colour orange or pale yellow, transparent: spec. grav. 1.0204.

*Oper.* Refrigerant, diaphoretic, antiseptic astringent; externally stimulant and discutient.

*Use.* In febrile complaints and scorbutus; to counteract the effects of opium and other narcotics, after the stomach has been completely cleared; steam of it inhaled in putrid sore throats and in scurvy; as a lotion in bruises, sprains, burns, and chronic ophthalmia.

*Dose.*  $\text{f}\mathfrak{z}\text{j.}$  to  $\text{f}\mathfrak{z}\text{iv.}$  In clysters  $\text{f}\mathfrak{z}\text{j.}$  to  $\text{f}\mathfrak{z}\text{ij.}$  Lotion.  $\mathfrak{R}$  Aceti  $\text{f}\mathfrak{z}\text{j.}$ , spiritus ten.  $\text{f}\mathfrak{z}\text{iv.}$ , Aquæ  $\text{f}\mathfrak{z}\text{viij.}$

*Off. Prep.* *Acetum distillatum*, *Cataplasma Sinapis*, *Ceratum Saponis*, *Linimentum Æruginis*.

**ACETUM DESTILLATUM.** P. 1824. *Acidum Aceticum Dilutum*, Distilled Vinegar ( $\mathfrak{R}$  Aceti  $\text{Ci.}$ ) (Distil one gallon of vinegar on a sand bath, in a glass retort and receiver. Reserve the first seven pints for use.)

*Comp.* Acetic acid, water.

*Prop.* Odour less than that of vinegar; taste less pungent; transparent, colourless.

*Oper.* Refrigerant, slightly astringent.

*Use.* The same as that of vinegar; chiefly for pharmaceutical purposes.

*Dose.*  $\text{f}\mathfrak{z}\text{j.}$  to  $\text{f}\mathfrak{z}\text{iv.}$

*Tests.* Acetate of lead, nitrate of silver, iodide of potassium, ammonia.

*Off. Prep.* *Liq. Ammoniacæ acet.*, *Emplastrum Ammoniaci*, *Acetum Colchici*, *Acetum Scillæ*.

**ACETUM CANTHARIDIS.** Vinegar of Cantharidis. (*Cantharidis in pulv.*  $\mathfrak{z}\text{ij.}$  *Acidi aceticæ*  $\text{Oj.}$ .) Macerate the Cantharidis with the acid for 8 days frequently shaking, lastly press and strain.

*Comp.* Acetate of cantharidin, some animal matter.

*Prop.* Rubefacient, epispastic, diuretic.

*Use.* As an extemporaneous blister, the same as the *Empl: Cantharidis*, but, in cases where it is desirable to have its effect produced in a short time, as in apoplexy, and the diseases of children, it is preferable;—rubbed freely on the surface for twenty minutes, it produces a blister in three or four hours. It is now first introduced, but has been for some years in common use under the name of *Liquor Lytta*.

**ACETUM COLCHICI.** Vinegar of Meadow Saffron (*Colchici cormi recent. concisi* 3j. *Aceti dist.* f3xvj. *Spir. ten.* f3j.) Macerate the meadow saffron Cormus with the vinegar in a covered glass vessel for 3 days, afterwards press and strain [the liquor] and set it by that the dregs may subside; lastly, add the spirit to the clear liquor.

*Comp.* The acrid principle of the bulb (*Colchiciā*) dissolved in diluted acetic acid. (f3j. of proof spirit ordered, is to make it keep.)

*Prop.* Diuretic, but very uncertain; purgative.

*Use.* In ascites, hydrothorax, and gout.

*Incomp.* Alkalies, earths, alkaline and earthy carbonates, sulphuric acid.

*Dosē.* f3ss. to f3j. in any bland fluid.

**ACETUM SCILLÆ.** Vinegar of squill (*Scillæ recent. exsiccatae* 3xv. *Aceti distil.* 0vj. *Spiritus ten.* 0ss.) Macerate the squill in the vinegar with a gentle heat in a covered vessel, for twenty-four hours; then express the liquor, and set it aside that the feculencies may subside; lastly, add the spirit to the liquor.

*Comp.* The acrid principle of the bulb (*Scillitina*), dissolved in diluted acetic acid with a small portion of spirit.

*Prop.* Taste bitter, acidulous.

*Oper.* Diuretic, expectorant, emetic.

*Use.* In dropsies, asthma, and chronic catarrh.

*Dose.* f3ss. to f3j. in cinnamon water, or mint water.

*Off. Prep.* *Oxymel Scillæ*, *Mist. Cascarill.* *Comp.*

**ACIDUM ACETICUM.** P. 1824 ——— *Fortius*, Acetic acid. (*Sodæ acetatis* ℥ij. *Acidi Sulph* 3ix. *Aquæ distillatæ* f3ix.) Add the sulphuric acid first diluted with the water to the acetate of soda put into a glass retort then let the acid distil from a sand bath. Care is to be taken that the heat be not too great towards the end.

*Comp.* Carbon 4 eq.=24.48+, hydrogen 3 eq.=3+, oxygen 3 eq.=24, forming acetic acid, eq. 52.48, and water.

*Prop.* Odor very pungent and grateful; taste acid and acrid; spec. grav. 1.046, very volatile. 87 grs. of crystallized carbonate of soda should saturate 100 grains of this acid; contains 37 per cent. of real acid.

*Oper.* Stimulant, rubefacient, escharotic.

*Use.* Applied to the nostrils in syncope, asphyxia, and headaches; destroys corns and warts.

*Incomp.* Alkalies, earths, alkaline and earthy carbonates.

*Off. Prep.* *Acetum Cantharidis*, *Ext. Colchici. Acet.*, *Potass. Acet.*, *Plumbi. Acet.*, *Oxymel.*

**ACIDUM ARSENIOSUM.** P. 1824. *Arsenicum album.* Arsenious acid.

*Comp.* Arsenic 2 eq.=75.4+, oxygen 3 eq.=24, eq. 99.4.

*Prop.* White, opaque. or semi-transparent; spec. grav. 3.7 volatile, inodorous, taste sweetish; 1000 parts of water at 60



dissolve 9·6 of the transparent, 12·5 of the opaque ; 1,000 of boiling, 97 transparent, and retains 18 ; 115 of opaque, and retains 29 on cooling.

*Use.* To prepare the arsenical solution.

*Off. Prep. Liq. Potass. Arsenitis.*

**ACIDUM BENZOICUM.** Benzoic acid. (*R. Benzöini* *H* 1.) Put the Benzöin in a proper vessel placed on sand, and the heat being gradually raised, sublime until nothing more rises ; press that which is sublimed, wrapped in bibulous paper, and separate it from the oily part ; afterwards again sublime it.

*Comp.* Carbon 14 eq.=85·68+, hydrogen 5=5+, oxygen 3=24, eq. 114·68. (*Obtained from benzöin.*)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic and fragrant ; taste hot, slightly acidulous, and agreeable ; soluble in boiling water and alcohol ; crystals white, brilliant, ductile, slender needles.

*Oper.* Stimulant ; as an expectorant doubtful ; errhine.

**ACIDUM CITRICUM.** Citric Acid. *Crystalli.* (*Limmonum Succ* *Oiv. Cretæ præp.* *℥ivss. Acid. sulph. dil. f℥xxviiss. Aq. distill. Oii.*) Add the Chalk gradually to the juice of Lemons made hot ; and mix. Set by, that the powder may subside ; afterwards pour off the supernatant liquor, wash the citrate of lime frequently with warm water. Then pour upon it the diluted sulphuric acid, and the distilled water, and boil for a  $\frac{1}{2}$  of an hour. Press the liquor strongly through linen, and strain ; evaporate the strained liquor with a gentle heat, and set it by, that crystals may be formed.

Dissolve the crystals, that they may be pure, again and a third time in water, and strain the solution as often ; evaporate and set it aside.

*Comp.* Carbon 4 eq.=24·48+, hydrogen 2=2+, oxygen 4=32, eq. 58·48. (*Obtained from lemon juice.*)

*Prop.* Sharp acidity of lemon juice ; crystals rhomboidal prisms, persistent, white, semi-transparent ; soluble in less than twice their weight of cold water, and in half their weight of boiling water.

*Oper.* Refrigerant antiseptic.

*Use.* In febrile and inflammatory complaints, and scorbutus ; and dissolved in water, instead of recent lemon juice, for the effervescing draughts. (*Proportion ℥x. to water Oj.*)

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ℥ij. dissolved in water, or any bland fluid.

*Incomp.* Sulphuric acid, nitric acid, acetate of lead, nitrate and acetate of mercury, alkalies, alkaline sulphurets.

*Tests.* Acetate of lead, for detecting sulph. acid ; potassa for tartaric acid.

**ACIDUM HYDROCHLORICUM.** P. 1824. ——— *Muriaticum.* Hydrochloric acid. (*Sodii Chloridi exsicc.* *Hii. Acid. Sulp. ℥xx. Aq. destill. f℥xxiv.*) Add the sulphuric Acid, first mixed with 12 fluid ounces of water, to the Chloride of Sodium put into a glass retort. Pour what remains of the water into a receiver ; then, the retort being fitted to it, let the Acid, distilled from a sand-bath, pass over into this water, the heat being gradually increased.

*Comp.* Chlorinae 1 eq.=35.42+1, hydrogen=1, eq. 36.42; real acid 1 atom; water 8 atoms. (*From common salt.*)

*Prop.* Odour suffocating, taste intensely acid and caustic; nearly colourless when pure, but commonly of a pale yellow colour; volatile; the fumes visible; spec. grav. 1.160 to 1.100; 100 grains should saturate 124 grains of carbonate of soda.

*Oper.* Tonic, antiseptic, diuretic.

*Use.* In typhus; cutaneous eruptions; in gargles, in inflammatory and putrid sore throats; in injections, in gonorrhœa.

*Dose.* ℞. to ℞xx. properly diluted; in gargles fʒss. to fʒij. in fʒvi. of fluid; injection ℥vii. to water fʒiv.

*Incomp.* Alkalies, earths, and carbonates, metallic oxides, sulphuret of potassium, tartrate of potassa, tartar emetic, and most metallic salts.

*Tests.* Chloride of barium for sulph. acid, ammonia for salts of iron.

*Off. Prep.* *Acid Tart. Tincture Ferri Sesquichloridi, Antimonii Potassio-tartras, Ferri Ammonio-chloridum.*

**ACIDUM HYDROCHLORICUM DILUTUM.** Diluted Hydrochloric Acid. (*Acidi Hydrochlorici, fʒiv. Aquæ distillatæ, fʒxij.*) Spec. grav. 1.080. mix.

**ACIDUM HYDROCYANICUM DILUTUM.** Hydrocyanic Acid. (*Potassii Ferrocyanidi ʒij.; Acidi Sulph. diluti ʒjss. Aq. Dest. Oiss.;*) mix the acid with 4fʒ of the water, and to these when cooled and put into a glass retort, add the Ferrocyanide of potassium first dissolved in half a pint of the water. Pour eight fluid ounces of the water into a cooled receiver; then, the retort being fitted on, let six fluid ounces of Acid pass into this water distilled with a gentle heat in a sand-bath. Lastly, add six more fluid ounces of distilled water, or as much as may be sufficient, that 12.7 grains of nitrate of silver dissolved in distilled water, may be accurately saturated by 100 grains of this acid.

Diluted Hydrocyanic Acid may be also prepared, when it is more immediately wanted, from forty-eight grains and a half of cyanide of silver, added to a fluid ounce of distilled water, mixed with thirty-nine grains and a half of Hydrochloric Acid. Shake all these in a well-stopped vial, and after a short interval pour off the clear liquor into another vessel. Keep this for use, the access of light being prevented. 100 grains of the acid, treated with solution of nitrate of silver, should form gr. x. of cyanide of silver.

*Comp.* 1. eq. cyanogen=26.39+, hydrogen 1 eq. 27.39.

*Prop.* Colourless, transparent, with the odour of bitter almonds; taste sweetish and bland at first, afterwards pungent and acrimonious; very volatile; decomposed by a high temperature and light; 100 grains contain two grains of pure Hydrocyanic Acid.

*Oper.* Sedative, without the stimulating property of opium.

*Use.* In spasmodic coughs; asthma and hooping coughs; hiccoughs, and in allaying the irritability of the stomach in dyspepsia. As a local application, properly diluted, it is useful in abating the itching in impetigo and pruriginous affections.

**Dose.** ℥iv. gradually increased to ℥viij. in a glassful of water, almond emulsion, or Infusion of Cinchona. When an overdose has been taken, the effects are best counteracted by ammonia and brandy.

**Incomp.** Metallic oxides, chlorine.

**Tests.** 100 grains treated with nitrate of silver should precipitate gr. x. of cyanide of silver; if iodo-cyanide of potassium and mercury redden the acid, it contains some other acid.

**Off. Prep.** *Argenti Cyanidum*.

**ACIDUM NITRICUM.** Nitric Acid (*Potass, Nitrat, exsicc., Acid, Sulph. a. a. ℥2.*) mix in a glass retort, then let the acid distil in a sand-bath. *Acidum nitrosum.*

**Comp.** Nitrogen 1 eq. = 14.15 +, oxygen 5 = 40 eq. = 54.15. (From Nitre *Nitras Potassæ*.)

**Prop.** Odour suffocating, taste very acid and caustic, corrosive, liquid, colourless, transparent; absorbs water from the air; tinges the skin yellow. Spec. grav. 1.504; 100 grains should saturate 217 of carbonate of soda.

**Oper.** Tonic, antiseptic, antisyphilitic, escharotic.

**Use.** The strong acid is seldom used for any other than pharmaceutical purposes; in the form of vapour, it is extracted from nitre ℥iv. and sulphuric acid in ℥iv. in a saucer, placed on a pipkin of hot sand, for the purposes of fumigation.

**Incomp.** Spirit of lavender, in any large quantity; and the essential oils; metallic oxides.

**Off. Prep.** *Acidum Nitricum Dilutum, Acid: Phosph., Argenti Nitras, Bismuth. Trisnit., Ung. Hydrarg. Nit., Hydrargyri Nitricoxidum, Spiritus Ætheris Nitrici.*

**ACIDUM NITRICUM DILUTUM.** Diluted Nitric Acid. (*Acidi Nitrici f̄3i. Aq. distil. f̄3ix. mix.*)

**Comp.** Nitric acid f̄3j.; water f̄3ix. (f̄3j. contains ℥vj. of the strong acid.)

**Prop.** Spec. grav. 1.080. The same as nitric acid in a weaker degree.

**Oper.** The same as that of nitric acid.

**Use.** As a drink, diluted largely, in fevers of the typhoid kind; in chronic affections of the liver, attended with a redundant and hasty formation of bile; and in dyspepsia. As a remedy in venereal complaints; yet in this climate it is not to be depended on, but is a very useful adjunct to mercury, and allays the violent irritation induced by it. It is also very useful in the cure of old ulcerated legs.

**Dose.** ℥x. to ℥xx. in ℥iij. of water, twice or thrice a day.

**ACIDUM PHOSPHORICUM DILUTUM.** Diluted Phosphoric Acid. (*Phosphori ℥j.; Acidi Nitrici f̄3iv.; Aquæ distillatæ f̄3x.*) Add the Phosphorus to the Nitric Acid mixed with the water in a glass retort placed in a sand-bath; then apply heat, until eight fluid ounces are produced. Put these again into the retort that eight fluid ounces may distil, which are to be rejected. Evaporate the remaining liquor in a capsule made of platina until only two ounces and six drachms remain. Lastly, add to the acid, when it is cold, as much distilled water as may be sufficient to make it accurately measure twenty-eight fluid ounces.



*Comp.* Phosphorus 2 eq.=31.4; oxygen 5. eq.=40; equiv. 71.4.

*Spec. grav.* 1.064.

*Prop.* Colourless, inodorous, strongly acid, fluid.

*Oper.* Tonic.

*Use.* In disposition to urinary deposition of the phosphate of lime; in general debility.

*Dose.* ℥iij. to ℥x.

*Tests.* 100 grains saturate 42 of carbonate of soda; a precip. by chloride of barium insoluble in nitric acid indicates sulph. acid.

**ACIDUM SULPHURICUM.** Sulphuric acid. *Acidum vitriolicum.*

*Comp.* Of sulphur 1 eq.=16.1+; oxygen 3 eq.=24, eq. 40.1; and water: or acid 81.6; water 18.4.

*Prop.* Inodorous; strong acid taste; corrosive; fluidity dense, apparently oily; transparent, colourless. *Spec. grav.* 1.850. It has a powerful attraction for water.

*Oper.* Escharotic, stimulant, rubefacient.

*Use.* In local pains, in the form of an ointment made of lard f3j. sulphuric acid 3j; and in scabies, with 3ss. of the acid to lard 3j.

*Off Prep. Acid. Sulphuricum Dilutum Ferri Sulphas, Hydrarg. Bichloridum.*

**ACIDUM SULPHURICUM DILUTUM.** Diluted Sulphuric Acid, (*Acidi Sulphurici* f3jss. *Aquæ distillatæ* f3xivss.) mix gradually.

*Prop.* Inodorous, strong acid taste, transparent, colourless.

*Oper.* Tonic, astringent, refrigerant.

*Use.* In dyspepsia, diabetes, menorrhagia, hæmoptysis, cutaneous eruptions, hectic: in gargles, in cynanche, and to check salivation.

*Dose.* ℥x. to ℥xxx. largely diluted; in gargles f3j. to f3iij. in f3viij. of fluid.

*Off Prep. Infusum Rosæ Comp., Zinci Sulphas, Aconitina, Acid. Tart., Ant. Oxy sulph.*

**ACIDUM TARTARICUM.** Tartaric Acid. (*R Potassæ bitartratis* ℥iv. ; *Aquæ distillatæ ferventis* Cong. iiss. *Cretæ præparat.* ʒxxv.-3vi. ; *Acidi Sulphurici diluti* Oviij. f3xviij. *Acid. hydrochlorici* f3xxvjss. *vel q. s. s.*) Boil the bitartrate of potash with two gallons of the water, and add gradually half the prepared chalk: then add the rest of the chalk dissolved in Hydrochloric acid, diluted with Oiv. of distilled water; let the tartrate of lime subside, then pour off the fluid and wash the tartrate of lime with distilled water until it is tasteless. Then pour upon it the diluted sulphuric acid; boil for a quarter of an hour. Filter the supernatant fluid, and evaporate with a gentle heat until it crystallize. Dissolve the crystals again, and a third time in water, strain as often, and boil down, and leave at rest.

*Comp.* Carbon 4 eq.=24.48+hydrogen 2=2—oxygen 5=40—equiv. =66.48.

*Prop.* Crystals white, imperfectly transparent, in irregular groups, *Spec. grav.* 1.5962. They do not effloresce nor deliquesce when exposed to the air; they melt into a transparent mass when heated above 212°; and after this process they deliquesce. They dissolve readily in water, combine with earths, alkalies, and metallic oxides; and consist of 1 part of real acid, and 1 of water.

**Oper.** Refrigerant, antiseptic.

**Use.** In inflammatory affections, fevers, and scorbutus.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒss dissolved in water.

**Incomp.** Alkalies and their carbonates, all the salts of potassa.

**Tests.** The precipitate by acetate of lead not dissolving in dilute nitric acid indicates a sulphate.

**ACONITINA.** *Aconitina.* (*Aconiti rad. exsiccati et contusi* ℥ij., *Spir. rect. cong.* ℥ij. *Acidi sulph. diluti, Ammonice liq., Carbonis animalis purif. sing. q. s. s.*)

**Comp.** Carbon, oxygen, hydrogen, nitrogen.

**Prop.** Whitish powder, inodorous, taste bitter, acid, soluble in 150 times its weight of water at 60°, and 50 at 212°; alcohol and ether dissolve it readily; permanent in the air; with acids forms dry, gummy, bitter masses, which the alkalies decompose.

**Use.** Externally counter-irritant: too poisonous to be used internally.

**ACONITI FOLIA.** P. 1824. ——— *folia et Radix.* (*Aconitum paniculatum.* Monk's-hood; *Polyand. Trigyn. N. O. Ranunculaceæ.* Mountains of Germany and Siberia. 4.) *Aconitum, herba.* **Prop.** Dried leaves inodorous, taste subacid; bitterish; fresh very acid.

**Oper.** Narcotic, sudorific, deobstruent.

**Use.** In chronic rheumatism, scrofula, scirrhus, palsy, amaurosis, and venereal nodes.

**Dose.** Gr. j. gradually increased to gr. v. twice or thrice a day.

**Off. Prep.** *Aconitina, Extractum Aconiti.*

**ACORUS.** P. 1824. *Calami Radix* Sweet Flag root. (*Acorus, Calamas, Hexand. Monogyn. N. O. Aroideæ.* Europe. ʒ.)

**Prop.** Odour strong, rather fragrant; taste aromatic, warm, bitterish; affords some essential oil.

**Oper.** Stomachic, carminative.

**Use.** In Anorexia; but seldom used.

**Dose.** ʒ 1 to ʒi. in powder.

**ADEPS.** Hog's Lard. (*Sus scrofa*, the Hog. Cl. *Mammalia*, Ord. *Belluæ*, L. *Pachyderma*, Cuv.)

**Prop.** Inodorous, insipid, soft, unctuous, white.

**Oper.** Emollient

**Use.** In the formation of ointments, cerates, plasters, and liniments.

**Off. Prep.** *Emplast. Cantharidis, Ceratum Sabinæ, Unguenta Varia.*

**ÆRUGO.** Verdigris, impure diacetate of Copper.

**Comp.** Acetate of copper 43, black oxide of copper 27, water 30 pts. in 100.

**Prop.** Mass difficult to break, dry, not deliquescent, foliaceous, of a fine bluish green colour; taste salt: completely soluble in sulphuric acid.

**Oper.** Tonic, emetic, escharotic, detergent.

**Use.** Scarcely ever used internally; applied to the callous edges of sores, and to consume fungus, but now seldom used. It is sometimes used as a lotion, (gr. j. in rose or elder flower water fʒj.) in scorbutic ulcerations of the mouth, but it cannot be much recommended.



*Dose.* As a tonic under gr. ss.; as an emetic from gr. j. to gr. ij.  
*Off. Prep.* Liniment *Æruginis*.

**ÆTHER SULPHURICUS.** P. 1824. ——— *Rectificatus*, Rectified Ether: *Æther vitriolicus*. (*Spt. Rect.* ℥ jii. *Acid. Sulph.* ℥ jii. *Potass. Carbon.*: 3j.) Pour two pounds of the spirit into a glass retort, add the acid to it and mix. Afterwards place it on sand, and raise the heat so that the liquor may quickly boil, and the æther pass into a receiving vessel cooled with ice or water. Let the liquor distill until some heavier portion begins to pass over. To the liquor which remains in the retort, after the heat has subsided, pour the remainder of the spirit, that æther may distil in the same manner.

Mix the distilled liquors, then pour off the supernatant portion, and add to it the carbonate of potash, shaking them frequently during an hour. Lastly, let the æther distil from a large retort, and be kept in a stopped vessel.

*Comp.* Oxygen 1 eq. = 8+, carbon 4 eq. = 24 48+, hydrogen 9.59 = 5 equiv. 37.48 (from alcohol and sulphuric acid) sp. gr. 765.

*Prop.* A limpid, colourless, very inflammable, volatile liquor; odour penetrating and fragrant; taste hot and pungent; inflammable; spec. grav. 0.750: readily mixes with alcohol; soluble in ten parts of water; produces cold during its evaporation.

*Oper.* Diffusibly stimulant, narcotic, antispasmodic; externally refrigerant.

*Use.* Hysteria, asthma, tetanus, epilepsy, and other spasmodic complaints; externally in head-ache; and dropped into the meatus in ear-ache; it has also been used in burns.

*Dose.* ℥xx. to fʒjss. in water, or other fluid.

*Test.* If it redden litmus strongly it has been improperly prepared.

*Off. Prep.* *Spiritus Ætheris Sulphurici Comp.*

**ALCOHOL.** (*Rectified Spirit Ci*, *Chloride of Calcium* ℥℥.) Put the Chloride of Calcium into the spirit, and when it is dissolved let seven pints and five fluidounces distil. Alcohol. (*Rectified Spirit distilled from Chloride of Calcium*)

*Comp.* Oxygen 34.75, carbon 52.17, hydrogen 13.04 = 100, or 3 eq. hydrogen = 3+2, carbon = 12.24+1, oxygen = 8, equiv. = 23.24.

*Prop.* Odour fragrant, penetrating; taste pungent, burning: colourless; transparent; boils at 174°; it dissolves all the vegetable secretions, either wholly or partially, except gum; dissolves also ammonia, potash, and soda. Spec. grav. 0.815.

*Oper.* Stimulant (*powerful and diffusible*) sedative.

*Use.* Scarcely ever used internally in its pure state, but often and advantageously in a highly diluted form; in cases of debility, and low fevers; externally as a fomentation in muscular pains; to burns; and to restrain hæmorrhages.

*Off. Prep.* *Spiritus Ammoniae Aromaticus*.

**ALLIUM.** P. 1824 *Allii Radix*. (*Allium Sativum*, Garlic, *Herand Monogyn.* N. O. *Asphodeleæ*. Sicily, Britain. 2.)

*Prop.* Odour strong, offensive, and penetrating; taste sweetish biting, and caustic; these are dissipated by coction.



*Oper.* Stimulant, diuretic, expectorant, emmenagogue, diaphoretic, and anthelmintic; externally rubefacient, maturant, and repellant.

*Use.* In cold leucophlegmatic habits, dropsy, rheumatism, humoral asthma, and hysteria. Intermittents have been cured by it. The juice dropped into the ear, in atonic deafness, is a very effectual remedy; and it is also beneficial in herpetic eruptions, formed with oil into an ointment. A poultice of it over the pubis has been found useful in atony of the bladder.

*Dose* One to six cloves, swallowed without chewing, twice or thrice a day. Of the juice f3ss. to f3ij. mixed with sugar or syrup. In pills with soap or calomel, gr. xx to ℥ij.

*The virtues of the genus Allium depend on an acrid principle, soluble in water, alcohol, acids, and alkalies.*

**ALOE.** P. 1824. *Aloes Spicatae Extractum.* (Aloe Spicata. The Socotrine Aloe. *Hexand. Monogyn. N.O. Asphodelaceæ.* Cape of Good Hope. 4.) Aloe.

*Comp.* Peculiar bitter principle, (*Aloesin.*) 73 per cent., colouring principle 26 per cent.

*Prop.* Odour not unpleasant, rather fragrant; taste very bitter, not unlike that of animal bile, and slightly aromatic; colour reddish brown with a shade of purple; mass hard, friable, fracture conchoidal and glossy; soluble in diluted alcohol; powder of a bright cinnamon-yellow colour.

*Oper.* Cathartic, warm and stimulating, emmenagogue, anthelmintic, stomachic; hurtful in hæmorrhoids, (only in large doses.)

*Dose.* To act as a cathartic gr. ij. to gr. x.: as an emmenagogue, gr. j. to gr. ij. twice or thrice a day. The form of a pill is the most convenient mode of exhibition.

*Off. Prep.* Decoctum Aloes Compositum, Extractum Aloes purif., Enema Aloetis, Tinct. Aloes, Tinct. Aloes Comp., Tinct. Benzoini Comp., Vinum Aloes, Pulvis Aloes Comp., Pil. Aloes Comp., Pil. Aloes cum Myrrha, Pil. Cambogiæ Comp., Pil. Rhei Comp., Pil. Sagapeni Comp.

**ALTHÆÆ FOLIA ET RADIX.** Marsh Mallow Leaves and Root. (*Althæa Officinalis*, Marsh Mallow, *Monadelph. Polyand. N.O. Malvaceæ* Indigenous. 4.)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste sweetish, feeling mucilaginous when chewed; yields its mucus to water by coction.

*Oper.* Emollient, lubricating, demulcent.

*Use.* In pulmonary and intestinal affections; ardor urinæ; calculus; externally in fomentations, clysters, and gargles.

*Off. Prep.* Syrupus Althææ.

**ALUMEN.** Alum. (*from Schistose Clays.*)

*Comp.* Sulphate of alumina, with excess of acid, 36.85; sulphate of potash, 18.15; water, 45.00 parts (*Berzelius.*) or 1 eq. of alumina = 51.4 + 1, potassa 47.15 + 4, sulphuric acid = 160.4 + 24, water = 216 ÷ equiv. = 474.95 in the crystallized state.

*Prop.* Crystals regular octahedrons; but generally in large white semi-transparent masses; taste sweetish, styptic; effloresces in the air; 16 pts. water at 60° dissolve one part of alum.

*Oper.* Tonic, astringent; and, in some instances, laxative.

*Use.* In hæmorrhages, leucorrhœa, diabetes, colica pictorum, externally in relaxation of the uvula, ophthalmia, gleet, and fluor albus,

*Dose.* grs. v. to ℥i. united with an aromatic; or in whey, made with ℥ij. of the powder and ℔j. of hot milk, a teacupful occasionally; in gargles ℥ss. in f℥iv. of fluid; in collyria and injections gr. xij. in f℥vj. of rose water.

*Incomp.* Potassa and Potassæ carbonas, sodæ carbonas, ammonia, lime, magnesia, acetate of lead, infusion of galls.

*Off. Prep.* *Alumen Exsiccatum*, *Liquor Aluminis*, *Comp.*

**ALUMEN EXSICCATUM.** Dried Alum. (Melt the alum in an earthen vessel over the fire, until the ebullition cease.)

*Comp.* As above, without the water of crystallization.

*Prop.* Dry, friable, white, opaque.

*Oper.* Escharotic.

*Use.* To destroy fungus in ulcers; internally in colic.

*Dose.* Gr. iv. to xij.

**AMMONIÆ SESQUICARBONAS.** P. 1824. *Ammonia Subcarbonas*  
Sesqui-carbonate of Ammonia.

*Comp.* Ammonia 21.52, carbonic acid, 55.70, water 22.78=100 parts, or 3 eq. carb. acid. 66.36+3, ammonia=51.45+3, water=27 equiv. 144.81; but the quantity of acid varies according to the heat employed in the preparation.

*Prop.* A white, striated, crystallized mass; odour and taste pungent and ammoniacal; soluble in 4 pts. of water at 60°; insoluble in alcohol; effloresces in the air.

*Oper.* Stimulant, antacid, diaphoretic, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In hysteria, dyspepsia, chronic rheumatism: applied to the nostrils in syncope.

*Incomp.* Acids, potassa fusa, liquor potassæ, magnesia, carbonates, alum, bitartras, bisulphas potassæ, salts of iron with exception of the tartrate, bichloride of mercury, salts of lead, sulphate of zinc.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to xv. in pills, or in any bland fluid. Gr. xxx. are emetic.

*Off. Prop.* *Liquor Ammonia Sesquicarbonatis*, *Liquor Ammonia Acetatis*, *Cupri Ammonio-Sulphas*.

**AMMONIÆ HYDROCHLORAS.** P. 1824 ————— *Murias*  
Hydrochlorate of Ammonia. *Sal. Ammoniac. Sal. Ammoniacus.*

*Comp.* Hydrochloric acid 9.55, ammonia 31.95, water 18.50 parts; or 1 eq. ammonia=17.15+1 of hydrochloric acid 36.42 equiv.=53.57.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste acrid, pungent, bitterish, urinous: 3 pts. of cold water to dissolve 1 pt.; usually in the form of a hard striated cake; soluble also in 4.5 pts. of alcohol.

*Oper.* Aperient, diuretic ; externally to produce cold during its solution ; stimulant.

*Use.* Seldom used internally ; externally while dissolving, to abate the heat and pain of inflammation ; to allay headache ; in lotion, composed of the salt  $\frac{3}{4}$ j. alcohol  $\frac{f\frac{3}{4}}{j}$ . water  $\frac{f\frac{3}{4}}{ix}$ . to indolent tumours, gangrene, scabies, and chiblainis.

*Incomp.* Sulphuric and nitric acids, superacetate of lead, potassa carbonates of soda and potassa, lime.

*Off. Prep.* *Ammoniaë Sesquicarbonas, Liquor Ammoniaë, Ferri Ammonio Chloridum, Sp. Ammon. Jætid, Liquor Hydrarg. Bichlor, Spir. Amm., Spir. Amm. Aromat.*

**AMMONIÆ LIQUOR FORTIOR.** Stronger solution of Ammonia.  
*Prop.* Colourless, strongly pungent. Spec. grav. 882, contains 29 per cent. of ammonia.

*Oper.* Escharotic, vesicant.

*Use.* As a rubefacient when combined with oil ; as an instantaneous vesicant in gout in the stomach. It is used for preparing *Liq. Ammoniaë*, by adding  $\frac{f\frac{3}{4}}{iij}$ . of distilled water to  $\frac{f\frac{3}{4}}{j}$ . of this solution.

*Tests.* Should not become turbid with lime water, nor should it precipitate nitrate of silver.

**AMMONIACUM.** Ammoniac. (Dorema, *Ammoniacum Dor. in Act. Soc. Linn.* Barbary, Abyssinia ?)

*Comp.* Gum resin, essential oil ; proportions unknown.

*Prop.* Irregular, dry masses and tears, yellow externally, whitish within ; odour peculiar, not ungrateful ; taste nauseous, sweet and bitter ; forms a white emulsion with water ; soluble in vinegar ; partially so in alcohol, æther, and solutions of the alkalies.

*Oper.* Expecto- rant, deobstruent, antispasmodic, discutient, resolvent.

*Use.* In asthma and chronic catarrh ; visceral obstruction, and obstinate colic from viscid matter lodged in the intestines ; externally in scirrhus tumours and white swelling of the joints.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to  $\frac{3}{ss}$ . in pills, with squill, myrrh, &c., or in emulsion. see Mist Ammoniaci.

*Off. Prep.* *Mistura, Ammoniaci, Pilula Scilla Composita, Pil. Ipecac. Com., Emplast. Ammoniaci, Emp. Ammoniaci cum Hydrargyro.*

**AMYGDALÆ AMARÆ DULCES.** Bitter and Sweet Almonds.  
(*Amygdalus communis* var.  $\beta$   $\gamma$ . *Icosand, Monogyn, N. O. Amygdalæ.* Africa.  $\frac{f}{j}$ .)

*Prop.* Taste of  $\beta$  soft and sweet, of  $\gamma$  bitter ; kernels of both flat, long, with a brownish powdery cuticle ; both yield by expression a sweet bland oil. The bitter is now used for emulsions, and contains prussic acid ; the amara yields oil of bitter almonds.

*Oper.* Demulcent ; the bitter is sedative.

*Use.* In inflammatory complaints ; and as a medium for more active remedies.



*Of. Prep.* *Oleum Amygdalæ*, *Mistura Amygdalæ*, *Confectio Amygdalæ*.

AMYLUM. Starch. (*Triticum Hybernum*, wheat. *Triand Digynia*, N. O. *Graminaceæ* Sicily ?<sup>©</sup>.)

*Comp.* Oxygen, hydrogen, carbon.

*Prop.* Inodorous, insipid: in white, friable, hexagonal columnar pieces, emitting a peculiar sound when pressed; insoluble in cold water and alcohol; forming with boiling water, a strong, opaline, semi-transparent jelly.

*Oper.* Demulcent.

*Use.* In dysentery, tenesmus, and ulceration of the rectum, in the form of elyster; it is the common vehicle for exhibiting opium per anum.

*Test.* Iodine, when the solution in water is cold.

*Off. Prep.* *Pulv. Tragacanthæ Comp.*, *Decoct. Amyli*.

ANETHUM. P. 1824. *Anethi Semina* Dill Seed. (*Anethum Graveolens*. *Pentand. Digyn.* N. O. *Umbelliferæ*. South of Europe. <sup>©</sup>.)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic, but not agreeable; taste aromatic and pungent.

*Oper.* Stimulant, carminative.

*Use.* In flatulent colic, and hiccough, particularly of infants.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to  $\mathfrak{z}\text{j}$

*Off. Prep.* *Aqua Anethi*.

ANISUM. P. 1824. *Anisi Semina*, Aniseed. *Pimpinella Anisi*. *Pentand Digyn*, N. O. *Umbelliferæ*. Egypt. <sup>©</sup>.)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste sweetish, warm grateful. Figure oblong ovate.

*Oper.* Carminative.

*Use.* In dyspepsia, and the tormina of infants.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to  $\mathfrak{z}\text{j}$ . bruised.

*Off. Prep.* *Oleum Anisi*, *Spiritus Anisi*.

ANTHEMIS. P. 1824. *Anthemidis flores*. Chamomile (*Anthemis Nobilis*, Common Chamomile. *Syngen. Superfl.* N. O. *Compositæ* Indigenous. <sup>2</sup>.) *Chamomelum, flos simplex*.

*Prop.* Odour powerful, fragrant, grateful; taste bitter, warm: these properties reside in the disc of the flower, and depend on volatile oil, bitter extractive, and piperina.

*Oper.* Tonic, stomachic; the warm infusion is emetic; externally discutient, emollient.

*Use.* In intermittents, dyspepsia, hysteria, flatulent colic, gout; to promote the operation of emetics; externally as fomentations.

*Dose.* In powder  $\mathfrak{z}\text{ss}$ . to  $\mathfrak{z}\text{ij}$ . twice or thrice a day.

*Off. Prep.* *Decot. Malvæ Comp.*, *Infusum Anthemidis*, *Oleum Anthemidis*. The active constituents are bitter extractive and an essential oil.

ANTIMONII SESQUISULPHURETUM. P. 1824. ——— *Sul-*

*phuretum*. Sesquisulphuret of Antimony. *Antimonium*.

*Comp.* Antimony 75·8, sulphur, 26·2, in 100 pts., or 2 eq. antimony +3 sulphur=177·3.

*Prop.* Powder of a black or bluish grey colour; insoluble.

*Oper.* Slightly diaphoretic, alterative.

*Use.* In chronic rheumatism, scrofula, cutaneous diseases.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ℥ij. after evacuating the stomach and bowels.

*Off. Prep.* *Antimonii Oxyulphuretum*, *Pulvis Antimonii compositus*, *Ant. Potass. Tart.*

ANTIMONII OXYULPHURETUM. P. 1824. ———— *Sulphuretum*. *Præcip.* Oxyulphuret of antimony. (*Antimon. Sesquisulph.*, *Cont.*, 3vii. *Liq. Potass Oiv.* *Aq. dist.* Cii. *Acid. Sulph.* *Dilut.* q. s. s.)

*Comp.* Sesquioxide of antimony 12·00, sesquisulphuret of antimony 76·5, and 11·5 of water.

*Prop.* Powder of an orange colour, taste metalline and styptic, insoluble.

*Oper.* Emetic, diaphoretic, cathartic, according to the extent of the dose; alterative: used, now, only for forming Plummer's pill.

*Use.* In chronic rheumatism and obstinate eruptions.

*Dose.* Gr. j. to iv. twice or thrice a day, in a pill.

*Off. Prep.* *Pilulæ Hydrargyri Chlorid. comp.*

ANTIMONII POTASSIO-TARTRAS. P. 1824. *Antimonium Tartarizatum*. Tartarized Antimony, or Emetic Tartar. (*Antimon. Sesquisulph. in pulv. cont.*, *Potass Nitr. cont.* ʒā lb. ij. *Potass Bir Tart. cont.* 3xiv., *Acid. Hydrochloric* 3iv. *Aq. Disill. O. I.*) Mix the Sesquisulphuret of Antimony, accurately with the Nitrate of Potash; the Hydrochloric Acid, being then added, and the powder spread upon an iron plate, ignite it. Rub what remains to very fine powder, when it is cold, and wash it with boiling water until it is free from taste. Mix the powder thus prepared with the Bitartrate of Potash, and boil for half an hour in a gallon of distilled water. Strain the liquor while yet hot, and set it aside that crystals may be formed. These being removed and dried, let the liquor again evaporate that it may yield crystals.

*Comp.* 1 eq. tartrate of potassa=113·63+1, sesquitartrate of antimony=219·68=2, water=18; equiv, 351·31.

*Prop.* Regular form of the crystal, a triedal pyramid; but, as it effloresces, generally a white powder; taste styptic and metallic; f3j. of water, at 60°, dissolves gr. 25, at 212° 3iv. It should always be dissolved in distilled water to prove emetic; insoluble in alcohol.

*Oper.* Emetic, sometimes cathartic, diaphoretic, expectorant, alterative, rubefacient.

*Use.* In the beginning of fever, to clear the stomach and bowels; but it is an improper emetic in advanced stages of typhus; in large doses in pneumonic inflammations; and in small as an alterative in cutaneous diseases; externally in white swellings, &c.

*Dose.* As an emetic, gr. j. to gr. iv. in solution; diaphoretic and expectorant, gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$ . It is made into an ointment for external use, by rubbing up  $\mathfrak{z}$ ii. with lard  $\mathfrak{z}$ j.

*Incomp.* Alkalies and earths with their carbonates; strong acids; hydro-sulphurets; lime water, chloride of calcium, salts of lead; decoctions of bitter and astringent plants.

*Off. Prep.* *Vinum Antimonii Potassio-tartratis*, *Ungt. Ant. Potass. Tart.*

*Test.* Hydro-sulphuric acid, into which one or two of the crystals may be dropped; if an orange colour be formed on them, they are good.

**AQUA ANETHI.** Dill Water; properties, &c., the same as those of the seed.

—— **CARUI.** Caraway Water.

—— **CINNAMOMI.** Cinnamon Water. *Should be milky.*

*Off. Prep.* *Mist. Cretæ com.*, *Mist. Spir. Vini. Gallici*, *Mist. Guaiac<sup>a</sup>.*

—— **DISTILLATA.** Distilled Water. Although this is very generally ordered in extemporaneous prescriptions yet it is scarcely ever used; but it is nevertheless absolutely necessary when the following articles are ordered; *Acidum Citricum*, *Antimonii Potassio-Tartras*, *Argenti Nitras*, *Cupri Ammonio-Sulphatis*, *Ferri Potassio-Tartras*, *Hydrargyri Nitrico-Oxydum*, *Hydrargyri Bichloridum*, *Liquor Ammoniac*, *Liquor Plumbi diacetatis*, *Liquor Potassæ*, *Hydrochloras Barytæ*, *Plumbi*, *Superacetas*, *Vinum Ferri*, *Zinci Sulphas*.

**AQUA FLORUM AURANTII.** Orange Flower Water.

—— **FOENICULI.** Fennel Water.

**AQUA MENTHÆ PIPERITÆ.** Peppermint water.

—— **MENTHÆ VIRIDIS.** Mint water.

—— **PIMENTÆ.** Pimento water.

—— **MENTHÆ PULEGII.** Pennyroyal water.

—— **ROSÆ.** Rose water. *Off. Prep. Mist. Moschi.*

—— **SAMBUCI.** Elder water.

These waters, which contain a small portion of the essential oil of the plants in solution, are used chiefly as vehicles for more active medicines; in doses of  $\mathfrak{f}$   $\mathfrak{z}$ j. to  $\mathfrak{f}$   $\mathfrak{z}$ ij.

**ARGENTUM.** Silver: used only to prepare the Nitrate.

**ARGENTI NITRAS** (*fusa*?) Nitrate of silver.

*Prop.* Taste styptic, austere, bitter; decomposes animal matter. In little cylindrical pieces of a grey colour; fracture radiated; reduced by light; soluble in an equal weight of water at 60°, also in alcohol.

*Oper.* Tonic, antispasmodic, escharotic.



*Use.* In chorea and epilepsy; locally to relieve strictures; to fungous ulcers, warts, and venereal chancres; gr. ij. in distilled water f̄j. is a good injection in fistulous sores; and as an application to spongy gums.

*Dose.* Gr. 1-8th increased to gr. iv. in a pill, with crumb of bread, three times a day; or in solution, increased to gr. iij. The dark colour communicated to the skin of some individuals is an objection to its internal employment.

*Off. Prep.* *Liquor Nitratis Argenti, Argent. Cyanidum.*

*Incomp.* Sulphuric, muriatic, and arsenious acids and their salts; alkalies, except ammonia; lime; astringent vegetable solutions; aqueous solutions of salts of mercury, or of copper.

**ARGENTI CYANIDUM.** Cyanide of Silver. (*Argenti Nit.* 3xviiij. *Acidi Hydrocyanici diluti, Aq. dist. aa.* ʒj.)

*Comp.* 19.4 cyanogen, +80.6 silver=100; or cyanogen 1 eq. =26.39 +silver 1 eq.=1.08 eq.=134.39.

*Prop.* White powder, insoluble in water, soluble in ammonia, and hot nitric and sulphuric acids.

*Tests.* Nitric acid dissolves the whole of the residue, after the cyanogen has been driven off by heat.

*Use.* To prepare hydrocyanic acid.

**ARMORACIA.** Horse Radish Root. (*Cochlearia Armoracia, Horse Radish. Tetradynamia Siliculosa* N. O. *Cruciferae.* Europe. 4.)

*Prop.* Odour pungent; taste sweetish, biting, acrid; lost in drying.

*Oper.* Stimulant, diuretic.

*Use.* In scorbutus, rheumatism, dropsy; and locally in hoarseness.

*Dose.* *Vide infusion*; of the following syrup a tea-spoonful often, slowly swallowed in hoarseness. (R of the scraped root, 3j. boiling water, ʒij. sugar q. s. to the strained liquor.)

*Off. Prep.* *Infusum Armoraciae Comp., Spir. Armoraciae Comp.*

**ASARUM.** Asarabacca. (*Asarum Europæum, Dodecandria Monogyn.* N. O. *Aristolochiaceae.* Europe. 4.)

*Prop.* Almost inodorous; taste nauseous, bitter, hot, acrid; loses much of its acrimony in drying.

*Oper.* Emetic, cathartic, diuretic, diaphoretic, errhine.

*Use.* Scarcely ever used but as an errhine in cephalæa and chronic Ophthalmia.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒss. vomits and purges; gr. ij. to gr. v. snuffed up the nostrils at bed-time, occasion a plentiful mucuous discharge.

**ASPIDIUM.** Male Fern. (*Aspidium Filix Mas. Cryptogamia Filices* N. O. *Filicoideae.* Indigenous 4.)

*Prop.* Odour weak; taste sweet, mucilaginous; slightly bitter and austere.

*Oper.* Anthelmintic?

*Use.* In tinea lata, and cucurbitina; but perhaps more is to be at-

tributed to the active purgatives with which it is generally followed.

*Dose.* ʒij. to ʒiij. of the solid part of the powdered root, taken in the morning, and soon after it a strong cathartic of gamboge or jalap, worked off with green tea. This was Madame Nouffer's celebrated remedy.

**ASSAFOETIDA.** P. 1824. ————— *Gum. Resina. Assafoetida.* (Ferula Assafoetida, *Pentand. Digyn. N. O. Umbelliferæ, Persia. 4.*)

*Comp.* Gum 60, resin 30, essential oil 10 parts in 100.

*Prop.* In small masses, of a whitish, reddish, and violet hue, adhering together; odour foetid and alliaceous; taste bitter and sub-acrid; forms an emulsion with water.

*Oper.* Antispasmodic, expectorant; emmenagogue; anthelmintic when injected into the rectum.

*Use.* Hysteria, tympanitis, asthma, dyspnoea, pertussis, worms.

*Dose.* In pill gr. v. to ʒj. in solution, vide *Mistura*; in clyster ʒij, dissolved in water fʒ viij.

*Off. Prep.* *Mistura Assafoetidæ., Tinct. Assafoetidæ., Spiritus Ammoniacæ Foetidus., Pil. Galbani Comp.*

**AURANTIUM. AURANTII CORTEX. AURANTII FLORES.** The Seville Orange and its rind, flowers, and immature fruit. (*Citrus Aurantium. Polyadelphia Icosand. N. O. Aurantiaceæ. Asia. ʒ.*)

*Prop.* Juice gratefully acid; rind aromatic, bitter; unripe fruit more bitter, but less aromatic; flowers agreeably odorous.

*Oper.* Juice refrigerant, antiseptic, the rind and immature fruit tonic, carminative.

*Use.* The juice in febrile, inflammatory complaints, and scurvy, as a beverage; the rind and immature fruit in dyspepsia, particularly that of drunkards; the latter is also used in issues; and the juice as a lotion, and the pulp as a poultice to foetid sores.

*Dose.* Juice ad libitum: of the rind, &c., vide *Off. Preparations.*

*Off. Prep.* *Confectio Aurantii, Syrupus Aurantii, Infusum Aurantii Comp., Infus. Gentianæ Comp., Tinct. Aurantii, Tinct. Cinchon. Comp., Tinct. Gentianæ Comp., Spiritus Armoraciæ Comp.* Of the flowers. *Aqua Florum Aurantii, Oleum Aurantii.*

**AURANTII OLEUM.** Oil of the Orange. (*Distilled from the flowers.*)

*Prop.* Volatile, has the odour of the flowers, a pungent taste.

**AVENA.** P. 1824. *Avenæ Semina.* Oats. (*Avena Sativa, Triand Digyn. N. O. Gramineæ. Island of Juan Fernandez. 3.*)

*Oper.* Nutritive, emollient.

*Use.* The decoction of oats is excellent as a beverage in all acute diseases: and as a clyster in dysentery. The dry meal is sprinkled over parts affected with erysipelatous inflammation: boiled in water, it forms a good common poultice; and, with yeast the fermenting poultice, for gangrenous sores.

**BALSAMUM PERUVIANUM.** Peruvian Balsam. (Myroxylon Peruiferum, Decand Monogyn, N. O. Leguminosæ. South America. 5.)

*Comp.* Benzoic acid, resin, volatile oil.

*Prop.* Odour fragrant and aromatic, taste hot and bitter, consistence that of honey, colour reddish-brown, soluble in alcohol miscible in water by means of mucilage.

*Oper.* Stimulant, tonic, expectorant.

*Use.* In palsy; chronic asthma, bronchitis, and rheumatism; gleet; leucorrhœa; and externally for cleansing and stimulating foul, indolent ulcers: ʒj. with fellis bovini ʒiij. forms a mixture which is dropped into the ear in cases of a foetid discharge, every day after syringing with a solution of mild soap.

*Dose.* Mv. to fʒss. twice or thrice a day, made into an emulsion with mucilage of gum.

**BALSAMUM TOLUTANUM.** Tolu Balsam. (The concrete balsam of Myroxylon Peruiferum.)

*Comp.* The same as that of balsam of Peru.

*Prop.* Odour very fragrant; taste warm, sweetish, communicated to boiling water; thick; colour reddish-yellow.

*Oper.* Stimulant, expectorant?

*Use.* In cough; but principally used on account of its flavour.

*Dose.* Gr. xv. to ʒij. triturated with mucilage.

*Off. Prep.* Tinct. Benzoini Comp., Tinct. Balsam. Tolut., Syrupus Tolutani.

**BARYTÆ CARBONAS** Carbonate of Baryta.

*Comp.* Carbonic acid 21.6, baryta 78.4, Berzelius. Or. 1 eq. baryta = 76.7 + 1 acid = 22.12, eq. = 98.82.

*Use.* For preparing the muriate.

*Off. Prep.* Barii Chlor.

**BELLADONNA** P. 1824 ————— folia. The Leaves and Root of Deadly Nightshade. (Atropa Belladonna. Pentand. Monogyn, N. O. Solanaceæ Indigenous. 4.)

*Comp.* Albumen, salts of potash, and a narcotic principle, which is an alkali that has been named *Atropia*, discovered by Messrs. Meissner and Brandes in Germany: its crystals are circular, white, shining, tasteless, and scarcely soluble in water.

*Prop.* Odour slightly narcotic, taste subacid, bitter, nauseous; does not lose its activity by drying.

*Oper.* Powerfully narcotic, diaphoretic, diuretic, repellent.

*Use.* In obstinate intermittents, tic douloureux, palsy, epilepsy, pertussis, and the cachexiæ; amaurosis: sprinkling the powdered leaves over cancerous sores has been found to allay the pain; and the leaves form a good poultice. The root is used for the same purpose as the leaves.

*Dose.* Gr. ss. gradually increased to gr. iij. daily; or fʒij. of this infusion. R of the leaves ʒj. hot water fʒx. strained cold.

*Off. Prep.* Ext. Belladonnæ.

The deleterious effects of Belladonna are best counteracted by vinegar after freely evacuating the stomach.



**BENZOINUM.** Benzoin. (*Styrax Benzoin*. *Decand. Monogyn.* N. O. *Styracæ.* Sumatra.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .)

*Comp.* Benzoic acid, resin.

*Prop.* Odour fragrant, taste slightly aromatic; in masses composed of white and brown pieces; volatile; soluble in alcohol and æther.

*Use.* Principally for obtaining the acid it contains.

*Incomp.* Alkalies, acids:—and so with all the balsams.

*Off. Prep.* *Acidum Benzoicum*, *Tinct. Benzoini Comp.*

**BERGAMII OLEUM.** Oil of Bergamot.

*Use.* In the preparation of Sulphur ointment on account of its scent.

**BISMUTHUM.** Bismuth.

*Prop.* In spicular plates of a reddish white colour, considerable lustre, pulverizable, moderately hard; spec. grav. 8.211; fusible at 400° Fah.: volatile in a high temperature. It has a sensible odour and taste.

*Use.* For preparing the trisnitrate.

**BISMUTHI TRISNITRAS.** Trisnitrate of Bismuth. (*R. Bismuthi*  $\frac{3}{4}$  j. *Acidi Nitrici*,  $\frac{1}{2}$  jss., *Aquæ Distillatæ*, Oijj.) Dissolve the bismuth in the nitric acid, mixed with  $\frac{1}{2}$  vj. of the water; and strain. Add the remainder of the water to the filtered fluid, and set aside the mixture till the powder subsides. Finally, having poured off the supernatant fluid, and washed the trisnitrate with distilled water, dry it, rolled in blotting paper, with a gentle heat.

*Comp.* 18.36 pts. of nitric acid + 81.64 of oxide of bismuth = 100.00; or, 3 eq. oxide = 240 + 1 eq. acid = 54.15 equiv. 294.15.

*Prop.* A white, inodorous, tasteless powder: insoluble in water.

*Oper.* Tonic, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In dyspepsia attended with cardialgia.

*Dose.* From gr. v. to gr. xv.

**BORAX.** (Impure from Thibet and Persia.) Borax.

*Comp.* 2 eq. of boracic acid = 69.8 + 1 soda 31.3 + 10 water = 90 equiv. = 190.11.

*Prop.* Inodorous, taste cooling, slightly efflorescent.

*Oper.* Diuretic, detergent.

*Use.* As a gargle in aphthæ, and in salivation.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to  $\frac{3}{4}$  j. in lotion of  $\frac{1}{2}$  vj.

*Off. Prep.* *Mel. Boracis*.

**BROMINIUM.** Brome.

*Prop.* A dark red liquid; odour disagreeable, resembling that of chlorine; taste strongly acrid; spec. grav. 3; very volatile; soluble in water, alcohol, and ether.

*Oper.* A powerful poison, escharotic.

*Use.* To prepare bromide of potassium.

*Off. Prep.* *Potassi Bromidum*.

**CAJUPUTI.** Cajeput (*Melaleuca Minor*, *Polyadel*, *Icosand* N. O. *Myrtacæ.* Amboyna.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .)

**Prop.** Odour strong, fragrant like camphor; taste pungent, aromatic; limpid, colour green, when rectified colourless.

**Oper.** Stimulant, antispasmodic, diaphoretic.

**Use.** In hysteria, tympanitis, palsy of the tongue, and externally as an embrocation in rheumatism, gout and to weak joints after luxations. Like other strong volatile oils, it relieves tooth-ache when applied to the decayed tooth.

**Dose.** ℥iij. to ℥v. on a lump of sugar, as an oleo saccharum.

**CALAMINA.** Calamine. *An Ore of Zinc.*

**Comp.** Oxide of zinc 65.2, carbonic acid 34.8. (*Derbyshire Calamine.*) It contains also sesquioxide of iron.

**Prop.** Friable, fracture uneven; colour pale reddish yellow, opaque, dull.

**Use.** Principally for pharmaceutical purposes

**Off. Prep.** *Calamina Præparata, Cerat. Calam.*

**CALAMINA PRÆPARATA.** Prepared Calamine.

The Calamine burnt and reduced to an impalpable powder. In this state it is sprinkled on excoriations and ichorous ulcers.

**CALUMBA.** Calumba Root. *Cocculus Palmatus*, N. O. *Menispermææ*. Africa.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .)

**Prop.** Odour slightly aromatic, taste an unpleasant bitter; bark of the sections thick, dark, olive; central part yellowish. Water at 212 takes up one-third of the weight of the root. Alcohol also extracts its virtues.

**Oper.** Tonic, antiseptic.

**Use.** In bilious vomitings, and those attendant on pregnancy, dyspepsia, and cholera; in the mesenteric fever of infants, we have found the following powder, aided by daily long-continued frictions of the abdomen with soap liniment, of great efficacy.  $\mathcal{R}$  Potassæ Sulphatis gr. x. Pulv. Calumbæ gr. vj. P. Rhei Rad. gr. iij. Misce: bis terve quotidie sumend.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to  $\mathfrak{z}$ j. twice or thrice a day.

**Incomp.** Acetate and diacetate of lead: infusion of galls.

**Off. Prep.** *Infusion Columbæ, Tinct. Columbæ.*

**CALCIS HYDRAS.** Hydrate of Lime.

**CALX.** Lime, or Quick Lime. (*From marble, or native carbonate of Lime.*)

**Comp.** 1 eq. of calcium = 20.5 + 1 oxygen = 8, eq. 28.5.

**Prop.** White, pulverulent; taste burning, urinous; decomposes animal matter; spec. grav. 23, infusible.

**Oper.** Escharotic; but not now used.

**Off. Prep.** *Liquor Calcis, Potassa cum Calce, Liq. Amm.*

**CALIX. CHLORINATA.** Chlorinated Lime, (*Calcis Hydrat lb 1 Chlorini q. s. s.*) Pass Chlorine to the Lime, spread in a proper vessel, until it is saturated.

Chlorine is very generally evolved from Hydrochloric acid added to Binoxide of Manganese, with a gentle heat.

*Remarks.*—The exact nature of this compound not having been yet determined, the term *chlorinated lime* is provisionally given to it.

The substance is prepared very largely for the use of the bleacher, and is called *bleaching powder*, when so employed. It was formerly termed also *Oxymuriate of Lime*; it is now known by the name of Chloride of Lime.

*Process.* On this view of the subject, when hydrochloric acid acts upon binoxide of manganese, the changes that take place are these: two equivalents of hydrochloric acid are composed of two eqs. of hydrogen=2, and 2 eqs. of chlorine=72; 1 eq. of binoxide of manganese consists of 2 eqs. of oxygen=16 and 1 eq. of manganese=28; when these act upon each other, the 2 eqs. of hydrogen combine with the 2 eqs. of oxygen and form 2 eqs. of water, while 1 of the eqs. of chlorine unites with or is absorbed by the lime, and chloride of lime, the calx chlorinata of the Pharmacopœia, is formed.

*Prop.* Chloride of lime, when pure, is white, but generally has a brownish tint, it emits a weak smell of chlorine and its taste is strong. It is only partially soluble in water. The lime uncombined with chlorine being comparatively insoluble. It possesses powerful bleaching properties, when exposed to the air it is gradually decomposed, chlorine is given out, and carbonate of lime formed and precipitated, it is also decomposed by heat; some chlorine gas comes over first, and afterwards oxygen derived from the decomposition of the lime, chloride of calcium remaining.

*Use.* It is employed as a disinfectant; when exposed to the air the carbonic acid which it contains evolves chlorine, this powerfully corrects the putrid odour arising either from diseased or decomposing animal matter. The solution of it is commonly called Labarracque's disinfecting fluid.

**CALCII CHLORIDUM.** Chloride of Calcium, (*Cretæ 3̄v. Acidi Hydrochloric. Aquæ dist. aa Oss.*)

"Mix the acid with the water; and to these, gradually, add the chalk to saturation. Then the effervescence being finished, strain; evaporate the liquor until the salt is dried. Put this into a crucible, and having liquefied it in the fire, pour it upon a flat clean stone. Lastly, when it is cold break it into small pieces, and keep it in a well-closed vessel."

*Comp.* 1 eq. chlorine 35.42 ÷ 1 calcium=20.5, eq. 55.92.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter, acrid: soluble in half its weight of cold water, and to any extent in boiling water. Deliquesces.

*Oper. and Use.* See Liquor Calcii Chloridi.

*Off. Prep.* *Liq. Calcii Chlorid.*

**CAMBOGIA.** Camboge. (*Stalagmitis Cambogioides, Polygam, Monœc. N. O. Guttiferæ. Cambodia. 5.*)

*Comp.* Gum, resembling cherry-tree gum, and nearly insipid, resin, and an unknown principle.



*Prop.* Inodorous colour of fragments orange yellow; opaque, brittle, fracture glassy.

*Oper.* Cathartic, (*drastic*,) emetic, hydragogue, anthelmintic.

*Use.* In visceral obstructions and dropsy; in tape worm, conjoined with subcarbonate of potash.

*Dose.* Gr. ij. to vj. in powder joined with calomel, squill, &c.

*Off. Prep.* *Pilulæ Cambogiæ Comp.*

**CAMPHORA.** Camphora. (*Laurus Camphora*, *Enneandria Monogyn.* N. O. *Laurinæ*. East Indies.  $\mathfrak{h}$ .) Chiefly from *Dyrobalanops Camphora*.

*Comp.* Carbon 70.28+hydrogen 10.36+oxygen 10.36. (*Dumas*.)

*Prop.* Odour strong, peculiar, fragrant; taste bitterish-aromatic accompanied with the sensation of cold; volatile, white, semipellucid, brittle, yet not easily pulverized; texture crystalline; soluble in alcohol, æther, oils, vinegar, and, in a very small degree, in water: lighter than water.

*Oper.* Narcotic, diaphoretic sedative; externally anodyne.

*Use.* In typhus, cynanche maligna, confluent small-pox, and other exanthemata of the typhoid type; in atonic gout, and as an adjunct to bark and opium in checking gangrene. It produces its narcotic and sedative effects with very little increase of pulse, and therefore may be used in mania, pneumonia, and other inflammatory complaints, united with nitre and antimonials. Externally it allays the pains of rheumatism, and other deep-seated inflammations, when dissolved in oil.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to  $\mathfrak{D}$ j. in powder, with sugar, &c.; in pills; or in mixture with mucilage, or almond confection. The effects of an over-dose are counteracted by opium. For external application it is dissolved in oil or in alcohol.

*Off. Prep.* *Mistura Camphoræ*, *Tinct. Camphoræ*, *Tinct. Camphoræ Comp.*, *Linimentum Camphoræ*, *Lin. Camphoræ Comp.*, *Lin. Hydragryri Comp.*, *Lin. Saponis*, *Lin. Terebinthinæ*, *Cerat. Plumbi com.*

**CANELLA.** Canella (*Canella Alba*, *Dodecand*, *Monogyn.* N. O. *Meliaceæ*. West Indies.  $\mathfrak{h}$ .)

*Prop.* Pieces flattish, yellowish-grey; odour aromatic, taste pungent; fracture starchy. Virtues partially extracted by water, entirely by alcohol.

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* As an aromatic addition to bitter tonics and cathartics.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to  $\mathfrak{Z}$ ss in powder, or in infusion.

*Off. Prep.* *Vinum Aloes*.

**CANTHARIS.** P. 1824 *Lytta*. The Blistering Fly. (*Lytta Vesicatoria*, *Insecta*, *Coleoptera*. South of Europe.) *Cantharidis*.

*Comp.* Cantharidin, green oil, black insoluble matter, yellow viscid matter, fat, phosphates of lime and magnesia, uric acid.

*Prop.* Odour fœtid; taste slightly acrid; body oblong, green gold, and shining; antennæ filiform, black. They retain their acrimony for many years, if kept dry.

**Oper.** Stimulant, diuretic, rubefacient, vesicant; both their internal use, and their external application, are apt to produce stranguery; active properties depend on the cantharidin.

**Use.** Internally in dropsies, obstinate gleet and leucorrhœa; cholera; retention of urine, owing to want of action in the bladder, and an incontinence of urine from debility of the bladder; but their internal use requires caution. For their external use, see *Empl. Cantharidis*, and *Tinctura*.

**Dose.** Gr. ss. to gr. j. in a pill, with opium, or the extract of henbane and camphor, twice a day, in cholera combined with opium and sugar of lead.

**Off. Prep.** *Acetum Cantharidis*, *Tinct. Cantharidis*, *Emplast. Cantharidis*, *Ceratum Cantharidis*, *Ung. Cantharidis*.

**CAPSICUM.** The Capsicum Berries. (*Capsicum Annuum*. *Pentand. Monogyn.* N. O. *Solanææ*. South America. ©.)

**Prop.** Odour aromatic, pungent: taste very biting, hot, aromatic; its active matter is yielded to æther, alcohol, and water.

**Oper.** Stimulant, rubefacient.

**Use.** In atonic gout, the flatulence of dyspepsia, lethargy. Its solution (*Capsici pulv.* ʒj., *Mur Sodæ* ʒj., *Aceti*, ʒiv. *Aquæ Jerventis* fʒvj. *Cola*.) forms the best gargle in cynanche maligna and scarlatina. Cataplasms of it are used in coma and the delirium of typhus.

**Dose.** Gr. iij. to gr. x. in pills.

**Incomp.** Nitrate of silver, bichloride of mercury, acetate of lead, sulphates of iron, zinc, and copper, and the carbonates of alkalies.

**Off. Prep.** *Tinct. Capsici*.

**CARBO ANIMALIS.** Animal Charcoal.

**Use.** Charcoal is chiefly used as a therapeutic agent, but its disinfecting and antiseptic powers are very inferior to the chloride of lime; it is considered by many however to be nearly inert.

**Off. Prep.** *Hydroch. Morphicæ*, *Quin Disulph.*, *Veratria*.

**CARBO LIGNI.** Charcoal of Wood. (*Recens.*)

**Comp.** Carbon 68.4, hydrogen 1.5, a minute portion of oxygen, salts earths, &c.

**Prop.** Inodorous, tasteless, black, brittle.

**Oper.** Antiseptic.

**Use.** In the putrid eructations of dyspepsia: as a cataplasm with linseed meal to fœtid ulcers; the best tooth powder.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒj. united with rhubarb.

**CARDAMINE.** P. 1824. *Cardaminæ Flores*. Cuckoo Flowers. (*Cardamine Pratensis*, *Tetradynam*, *Siliq.* N. O. *Cruciferæ*, Europe. 24.)

**Prop.** Almost inodorous; taste bitterish, slightly acid.

**Oper.** Stimulant, diaphoretic, antispasmodic.

**Use.** In the spasms.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒij. in powder, twice or thrice a day.

**CARDAMOMUM.** Cardamom Seeds. (*Alpinia Cardamomum*, N. O. *Scitamineæ*. East Indies.)

*Prop.* Odour agreeably aromatic; taste pungent, grateful.

*Oper.* Carminative, stomæhic.

*Use.* In the flatulent cholick of children, united with rhubarb and magnesia: but principally to give warmth to other remedies.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to ʒj. in powder.

*Off. Prep.* *Ext. Colocynthis*, *Comp.*, *Tinct. Cardamomi*, *Tinct. Cardam. Comp.*, *Tinct. Cinnam. Comp.*, *Tinct. Comii.*, *Tinct. Gentianæ Comp.*, *Tinct. Rhei. com.*, *Tinct. Sennæ com.*, *Spir. Ætheris Aromaticus*, *Confect. Aromatica*, *Pulv. Cinnamomi Comp.*.

**CARUI.** Caraway Seeds. (*Carum Carui*, *Pentand.* *Digyn.* N. O. *Umbelliferæ*. North of Europe. ♂.)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste warm, grateful; figure ovate-oblong striated.

*Oper.* Carminative.

*Use.* In flatulent cholick: and to give warmth to purgatives.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. swallowed whole.

*Off. Prep.* *Ol. Carui*, *Aq. Carui*, *Spir. Carui*, *Spir. Juniperi*, *Comp.*, *Tinct. Cardam. Comp.*, *Tinct. Sennæ Comp.*, *Confectio Opii*, *Confectio Ruta.*

**CARYOPHYLLUS.** Cloves. (*Eugenia Caryophyllata*. *Icosandria Monogyn.* N. O. *Myrtaceæ*. Moluccas. ♀.)

*Prop.* Odour strong, aromatic, and peculiar; taste acrid, pungent; figure like a small nail with a notched head; colour deep brown. (*The unexpanded bud.*)

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* As corrigents for other remedies.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to x. in powder.

*Off. Prep.* *Infusum Caryophyllorum*, *Infusum Aurantii Comp.*, *Vinum Opii*, *Confectio Aromatica*, *Confect. Scammonii*, *Spir. Ammoniz Aromat.*

**CARYOPHYLLI OLEUM.** Oil of Cloves.

*Comp.* Carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen in a small proportion.

*Prop.* Odour and taste of the clove; colour pale yellow; heavier than water.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as the clove: externally, diluted with olive oil, as an embrocation in whooping cough; as an application in tooth-ache.

*Dose.* ℥ij. to ℥vi. on sugar.

**CASCARILLA.** P. 1824. ———, *Cortex. Cascarilla* Bark. (*Croton Cascarilla*, *Monæc. Adelfia*, N. O. *Euphorbiaceæ*. Bahamas. ♀.)



*Prop.* Odour slightly aromatic; taste bitterish, aromatic; when burning, and the flame extinguished, the smoke has the odour of musk; active parts an essential oil, and bitter extractive: completely extracted by proof spirit.

*Oper.* Tonic, stomachic.

*Use.* As an adjunct to cinchona in ague; in obstinate diarrhoea, and after dysentery; in dyspepsia and flatulent colic, and gout.

*Dose.* Gr. xv. to 3ss. in powder.

*Off. Prep.* *Infusum Cascarillæ*, *Tinct. Cascarillæ*.

CASSIA. P. 1824. — *Pulpa.* (Cassia Fistula. *Decand. Monogyn.* N. O. *Leguminosæ*. India, Egypt. 5.)

*Prop.* Pulp black, bright, shining; sweet, slightly acid; inodorous.

*Oper.* Laxative.

*Use.* Where a gentle medicine is required in costive habits, combined with aromatics.

*Dose.* 3iv. to 3j.

*Off. Prep.* *Confectio Cassiæ*, *Confectio Sennæ*.

CASTOREUM. Castor. (Castor Fiber. The Beaver. *Mammalia Glires*, *Mammalia Rodentia* Cuv. Russia.)

*A peculiar matter found in bags, near the rectum of the animal.*

*Comp.* Carbonates of potash, of lime, of ammonia, and of iron; resin; extractive mucilaginous matter, volatile oil.

*Prop.* Odour strong, unpleasent, peculiar; taste bitter, subacid; colour orange brown.

*Oper.* Antispasmodic, emmenagogue?

*Use.* In typhus, hysteria, epilepsy, amenorrhœa.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. in a bolus; 3j. or more in clysters; of little value as a remedy.

*Off. Prep.* *Tinctura Castorei*.

CATAPLASMA CONII. Hemlock Cataplasm. (*Extractum Conii*. ʒii. *Aquæ* ʒj.) Mix, and add linseed meal enough to make a cataplasm.

*Use.* In cancer and painful sores.

CATAPLASMA FERMENTI. Yeast Cataplasm. (*Farinæ* ʒbj. *Cerevisiæ Fermenti*, Oss. *M. calori leni expone.*)

*Oper.* Antiseptic.

*Use.* Applied to gangrenous and sloughing sores.

CATAPLASMA LINI. Cataplasm of Linseed Meal. (*Aquæ fermentis* ʒj., *Lini seminum contritorum*, q. s. s. at idonea fiat crassitudo.)

*Use.* A suppurative poultice.

CATAPLASMA SINAPIS. Mustard Cataplasm. (*Sinapis*, *Lini Sem. Contr.* ā ā ʒbss., *Aceti ferrefacti*, q. s. s. *M.*)

*Oper.* Rubefacient, stimulant.

*Use.* Applied to the soles of the feet, in the delirium, coma, and sinking of typhus, and cholera; to the pained part in rheumatism.

**CATECHU.** P. 1824. ——— *Extractum.* Catechu. (Acacia Catechu, Polygam, Monœc. N. O. Leguminosæ East Indies 4.) *An extract of the wood.*

*Comp.* Bombay Catechu, tannin 54·5, extractive 34, mucilage 6·5, impurities 5 parts. Bengal Catechu, tannin 48·5, extractive 36·5, mucilage 8, impurities 7 parts.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste astringent, mucilaginous, sweetish; colour reddish-brown soluble in water and in alcohol.

*Oper.* Astringent.

*Use.* In diarrhœa, from a relaxed state of the bowels; and intestinal hæmorrhages; locally in aphthæ, ulceration of the gums, and in coughs and hoarseness from the relaxation of the uvula.

*Dose.* Gr. xv. to ʒj. in powder; in the latter case, a piece is allowed to dissolve slowly in the mouth.

*Off. Prep.* Infusum Catechu Comp., Tinct. Catechu.

**CENTAURIUM.** Centaury. (Chironia Centaurium, Pentand. Monogyn. N. O. Gentianaceæ. Europe. ☉.)

*Prop.* Taste bitter. Active principle extracted both by water and alcohol.

*Oper.* Tonic.

*Use.* In dyspepsia and atonic gout.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj.

**CERA ET CERA ALBA.** Yellow Wax and White.

(A substance prepared by the bee; and by some plants, as the Ceroxylon and Myrica Cerifera.)

*Comp.* Carbon, hydrogen, oxygen.

*Prop.* Odour aromatic, resembling that of honey; tasteless; dry; brittle; colour yellow, when recent; but the odour and colour are lost by blanching.

*Oper.* Demulcent, emollient.

*Use.* In diarrhœa and dysentery; but principally used in the formation of cerates and ointments.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒss. twice or thrice a day, in form of emulsion; melt the wax with a little oil; then triturate it with yolk of egg, and groat gruel f ʒij.

*Off. Prep.* Ung., Cerata, Emp. Varia.

**CERATUM.** Cerate. (Olei Olivæ ʒiv. Cere ʒiv.) Melt the wax, then add the oil, and mix.) Emollient. To excoriations, &c.

**CERATUM CALAMINÆ.** Calamine Cerate. (Calaminæ, Cere ā ā ʒss. Ol. Olivæ f ʒxvj.) The oil and wax being melted, mix; then remove them from the fire: as soon as they begin to thicken add the calamine, and stir until the whole be cold.)

*Oper.* Desiccative, epulotic.

*Use.* To ulcers, with a thin, acrid discharge; to burns after the inflammation is abated; to the eyelids in ophthalmia tarsi,

**CERATUM CANTHARIDIS.** Cerate of the Spanish Fly. (*Cerati Cetacei* ℥ vj., *Cantharidum in pulv. sub.* ℥j.) The cerate being softened by heat, stir in the flies.)

*Oper.* Irritative.

*Use.* For keeping up a discharge from a blistered surface; but few constitutions can bear the irritation it induces.

**CERATUM CETACEI.** Spermaceti Cerate. (*Cetacei* ℥ ij. *Ceræ Alb.* ℥ viij., *Olivæ Ol.* 0j.) The wax and oil being melted together, add the spermaceti, and stir until the whole is cold.

*Oper.* Emollient, cooling.

*Off. Prep.* *Ceratum Cantharidis*,

**CERATUM HYDRARGYRI COMPOSITUM.** Compound Cerate of Mercury (*Unguent : Hydr : fort :*, *Cerat : Saponis* ā ā ℥iv. *Camphoræ* ℥j.)

*Oper.* Stimulant resolvent.

*Use.* To promote the dispersion of indolent tumours.

**CERATUM PLUMBI ACETATIS.** Cerate of Acetate of Lead. *Plumbi Acetatis cont.* ℥ij., *Ceræ Alb.* ℥ij., *Olivæ Ol.* f℥viiij. Melt the wax in seven fluid ounces of the oil, then add the acetate rubbed down with the remainder; and stir with a wooden spatula until the whole be united.

*Oper.* Cooling, astringent, resolvent.

*Use.* In inflamed sores, excoriations, and burns.

**CERATUM PLUMBI COMPOSITUM.** Compound Lead Cerate. (*Liq. Plumbi diacetatis* ℥iij. *Ceræ* ℥iv., *Olivæ Ol.* 0ss, *Camphoræ* ℥ss. Melt the wax in f℥viij. of the oil, then remove the mixture from the fire and when it begins to thicken, add gradually the solution of diacetate of lead, and assiduously stir the whole with a wooden spatula until it is cold; lastly, add the camphor dissolved in what remained of the oil, and mix.)

*Oper. and Use.* The same as the former.

**CERATUM RESINÆ.** Resin Cerate. (*Resinæ*, *Ceræ* ā ā ℥bj. *Olive Ol.* f℥xvj. Melt the resin and wax over a slow fire, then add the oil, and strain while hot.)

*Oper.* Digestive, cleansing, incarnating.

*Use.* To foul indolent ulcers.

**CERATUM SABINÆ.** Savine Cerate. (*Sabinæ cont.* ℥bj. *Ceræ* ℥bss. *Adipis* ℥bj. Having melted the wax and lard, boil therein the savine leaves, and strain through a linen cloth.)

*Oper.* Irritative, drawing.

*Use.* To keep a discharge from a blistered surface. It is much preferable to the *Ceratum Cantharidis*, occasioning less pain, and preserving a more regular discharge.

**CERATUM SAPONIS.** Soap Cerate. (*Sapon.* ℥x., *Ceræ* ℥xiijss., *Plumbi Oxydi cont.* ℥xv., *Olivæ Ol.* 0j., *Aceti Cong.* Boil together the vinegar and oxide of lead, over a slow fire, stirring constantly until they combine; then add the soap, and boil again until the water be evaporated; lastly, mix in the oil and wax melted together.)



*Oper.* Desiccative, resolvent.

*Use.* Applied, spread on linen, round fractured limbs, after all inflammation is abated, and the bones are united; and to strumous swellings.

*Off. Prep.* *Ceratum Hyd. com.*

**CEREVISIÆ FERMENTUM.** Yeast. The frothy matter collected on the surface of beer during fermentation.

*Use.* To induce fermentation in poultices. It has also been given internally with advantage, in combination with sugar and wine in typhus fevers.

*Off. Prep.* *Cataplasma Fermenti.*

**CETACEUM.** Spermaceti. (*Physeter Macrocephalus*. The Spermaceti Whale. *Mammaliæ, Cetaceæ.*)

*Comp.* Carbon, hydrogen, oxygen.

*Prop.* Inodorous, insipid, white, crystallized, friable, semitransparent, unctuous. Sp. grav. 9.433; melts at 112° of heat; partially soluble in alcohol.

*Comp.* Demulcent, emollient.

*Use.* In coughs and dysentery; and in the composition of ointments.

*Dose.* ℥rs. to ʒjss: rubbed up with sugar, or with an egg in emulsion.

*Off. Prep.* *Ceratum Simplex, Ceratum Cetacei, Ung. Cetacei.*

**CETRARIA.** P. 1824 *Lichen*, Liver Wort. (*Cetraria Islandica*, N. O. *Algæ*. Iceland ʒ.)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter, mucilaginous.

*Oper.* Tonic, demulcent, nutrient.

*Use.* Vide *Decoct Cetrariæ*.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒiv. first steeped in water, holding in solution some carbonate of potash to extract the bitter; and then boiled in milk, chocolate, or cocoa.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoctum Cetrariæ.*

**CHIMAPHILA.** Winter green or Pyrola.

*Oper* and *Use.* Vide *Decoct Chimaphilæ*.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoct Chimaphilæ.*

**CINCHONÆ CORDIFOLIÆ.** Yellow Bark. (*Pent. Monogynia*, N. O. *Cinchonaceæ*. South America. ʒ.) *Calisaya* of the Spaniards.

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste bitter, slightly astringent; in pieces a span long, not always rolled, often without the epidermis, which is very thick and inert; light, friable, fracture fibrous; internally of a yellow cinnamon colour. Its active principle is an alkali named *Quina*.

*Off. Prep.* *Tinct. Cinchonæ, Decoct. Cinchonæ Cord., Ext. Cinchonæ Cord., Quinæ Disulph.*

## CINCHONÆ LANCIFOLIÆ. Pale bark.

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste pleasant, less bitter and astringent than yellow bark; pieces rolled in double or single quills, a span long, thin; epidermis brown, cracked; fracture resinous; internally of a cinnamon or fawn colour. Its active principle is an alkali, which has been named *Cinchonia*.

*Off. Prep.* *Tinct. Cinchon. com.*, *Decoct. Cinch. Lanc.*, *Inf. Cinchon.*, *Ext. Cinch. Lanc.*

## CINCHONÆ OBLONGIFOLIÆ.\* Red Bark.

*Prop.* Odour and taste the same as the pale, but more intense; in quills and flat pieces, solid, heavy, dry; fracture short and smooth; internally woody, fibrous, of a deep brownish red colour. Its active principles two alkalies, *Quina* and *Cinchonia*.

*Oper.* These three species, nearly alike, are strongly and permanently tonic, slightly astringent, stomachic, and febrifuge; (the yellow is preferred in Peru; the red is apt to nauseate.

*Use.* In intermittents, after evacuating the stomach and bowels, in continued fevers, keeping the bowels clear; confluent small-pox; erysipelas; acute rheumatism; cynanche maligna; scarlatina; passive hæmorrhages; and in every disease attended with deficient action. Externally in gylsters, gargles, and lotions, in gangrenous ulcerations, &c. To check the nausea excited by it, wine, aromatics, and carbonic acid are added; to prevent purging, opium; costiveness. rhubarb. The red is the most useful in gangrene.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒiij. or more in milk, infusion of liquorice, or water. *Vide Infusum, Tinctura.*

*Off. Prep.* *Decoctum Cinchonæ oblong.*, *Ext. Cinchonæ oblong.*

CINNAMOMUM. P. 1824. *Cinnamomi Cortex.* Cinnamon Bark. (*Laurus Cinnamomum*, *Enneandr. Monogyn. N. O. Laurineæ*, Ceylon. 4.)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste pleasantly pungent, sweetish, depending on essential oil; colour light yellow, brown; pieces quilled within each other, not thicker than paper; pliable; fracture fibrous and woody.

*Oper.* Stimulant, astringent, carminative, tonic.

*Use.* As a grateful aromatic in dyspepsia and diarrhœa; to cover the taste of nauseous remedies. The infusion checks vomiting. Chewed in palsy of the tongue.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj, in powder.

*Off. Prep.* *Aq. Cinnamomi*, *Infusum Catechu Comp.*, *Spir. Cinnamomi.*, *Spir. Lavandulæ Comp.*, *Tinct. Cardamomi Comp.*, *Tinct. Catechu*, *Tinct. Cinnamomi*, *T. Cinnam. Comp.*, *Vinum Opii. Confect. Aromat.*, *Pulv. Cinnam. Comp.*, *Pulv. Crete Comp.*, *Pulv. Kino Comp.*, *Spir. Ammon Aromat.*, *Tinct. Catechu*, *Tinct. Lavand.*

\* Improperly named, as the red bark is from a source still unknown.

## CINNAMOMI OLEUM. Oil of Cinnamon.

*Prop.* Odour of the bark; taste pungent, hot; pale yellow colour; sinks in water; soluble in alcohol.

*Oper.* Powerfully stimulant; stomachic.

*Use.* In cramps of the stomach, hiccough, and flatulent colic; inserted into a decayed tooth to allay tooth-ache.

*Dose.* ℥j. to ℥iij. on a lump of sugar.

*Off. Prep.* *Mist. Spiriti Vini Gallici, Sp. Cinnamomi.*

COCCI. Cochineal (*Coccus Cacti. Insecta Hemiptera. Mexico. The Dried Female*)

*Prop.* Faint, heavy odour; taste acrid, bitterish, astringent; colour blackish red externally, purple red within; small, irregular, roundish.

*Use.* Chiefly for giving a red colour to tinctures, &c.

*Off. Prep.* *Tinct. Cardamom. Comp., Tinct. Cinchonæ Comp.*

COLCHICI CORMUS ET SEMINA. The Bulb and Seeds of the Meadow Saffron, *Colchicum Autumnale, Hexand. Trigyn. N. O. Melanthaceæ. Europe. 4)* Dug in July and August when the seed appears.

*Comp.* *Colchicina*, a peculiar alkaloid resembling Veratria, fecula.

*Prop.* Taste acrid, excoriating the mouth; acrimony lost in drying

*Oper.* Narcotic, diuretic, cathartic.

*Use.* In dropsies, gout, and rheumatism. (*It is supposed that it forms the active ingredient of the Eau Medicinale.*)

*Dose.* Gr. j. to gr. vj. of the recent bulb in pills.

*Off. Prep.* *Acetum Colchici, Extractum Colchici Acet., Ext. Colch. Cormi., Tinct. Colchici Com., Tinct. Colchici., Vinum Colchici.*

COLOCYNTHIS. Bitter Cucumber Pulp. (*Cucumis Colocynthis, Monœc. Syngen. N. O. Cucurbitaceæ L. J. Cape of Good Hope. 3.)*)

*Prop.* Taste bitter, nauseous, acrimonious; light, white or pale yellow; spongy.

*Oper.* Strongly cathartic.

*Use.* Too violent to be used alone.

*Off. Prep.* *Extract. Colocynthis, Ext. Colocynth, Comp., Enema Colocynth.*

CONFECTIO AMYGDALÆ. Confection of Almonds. (*Amygd. Dul. 3viij., Acaciæ Cont. 3j., Sacch. 3iv.* Having bleached the almonds, beat the whole into an uniform paste.) This preparation is merely a good mode of keeping almonds in a state fit to make the almond mixture.

*Off. Prep.* *Mist. Amygd.*



**CONFECTIO AROMATICA.** Aromatic Confection. (*Cinnamomi Cort.*, *Myristicæ sing.* ʒij. *Caryoph.* ʒj., *Cardam.* ʒss. *Croci* ʒij. *Cretæ Præp.* ʒxvi., *Sacch. Pur.* lbij. Rub the dry substances to a fine powder, mix, and whenever the confection is to be used, add water gradually, and mix until they are thoroughly incorporated.

*Oper.* Stimulant, cordial.

*Use.* In the low stage of typhoid fevers; atonic gout; hysteria; nervous languors.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. in bolus or mixtures.

*Incomp.* Acids of any kind.

**CONFECTIO AURANTII.** Confection of orange. (*Aur. Cort. recent. radulâ separ.* lbj., *Sacch.* lbij. Beat the rind in a stone mortar with a wooden pestle, gradually adding the sugar.)

*Oper.* Stomachic.

*Use.* In dyspepsia of children; and as a vehicle for other remedies.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj.

**CONFECTIO CASSIÆ.** Cassia Confection. (*Cassiæ lbss.*, *Mannæ* ʒij. *Tamarindî* ʒj., *Syr. Rosæ.* fʒviii. Bruise the manna; then dissolve it by heat, and, having mixed in the pulp, evaporate to a proper consistence.)

*Oper.* Gently laxative.

*Use.* For habitual costiveness; and as a purge for children.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj.

**CONII FOLIA, FRUCTUS.** Hemlock Leaves and Seeds. (*Conium Maculatum*, *Pentand.* *Dgyn.* N. O. *Umbelliferæ* Indigenous. ©.)

*Comp.* Conia, resin, albumen, odorous oil, extractive.

*Prop.* Odour heavy and disagreeable; taste bitter, nauseous, herbaceous; colour a dull green; light destroys its virtues, therefore the powder should be kept in opaque bottles, well corked.

*Oper.* Narcotic, poisonous in an over-dose, resolvent.

*Use.* As a palliative in cancer and schirrous, scrofulous, and syphilitic ulcerations and swellings; pertussis. Externally ʒiij. of the dried herb boiled in ʒj. of water, as a fomentation to open scrofulous and cancerous ulcers; or as a cataplasm, by adding linseed and oatmeal.

*Dose.* Gr. ij. to ʒj. of the powder, or from ℥xij. to lx. of the expressed juice, very gradually increased.

*Off. Præp.* *Cataplasma Conii*, *Extractum Conii*, *Pil. Conii*. *Comp.*, *Tinct. Conii*.

**CONFECTIO OPII.** Opium Confection. (*Opii duri* ʒvj., *Piper. Long.* ʒj. *Zingib.* ʒij., *Carui*, ʒiij. *Tragacanthæ contritæ* ʒii. *Syrupi* fʒxvi. Rub the opium with the syrup made hot; then add the other articles in the state of powder, and mix.) Gr. j. of Opium in gr. xxxvj.

*Oper.* Narcotic and stimulant.

*Use.* Atonic gout, flatulent colic, colliquative diarrhœa, in the chalk mixture.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. in a bolus, or mixture.

**CONFECTIO PIPERIS NIGRI.** Confection of Black Pepper. (*Piperis nigri*, *Inul* ā ā *℥ij.* *Fœniculi* *℥iij.* *Mellis*, *Sacchari*, ā ā *℥iij.*) This preparation is probably intended as a substitute for Ward's Paste for Piles.

*Prop.* Warm stimulant.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒij.

**CONFECTIO ROSÆ CANINÆ.** Confection of Dog Rose. (*Rosæ Can.* *℥ij.*, *Sacch.* *Cont.* ʒxx. Rub them together until they be well incorporated.)

*Use.* Chiefly as a vehicle for other remedies.

*Off. Prep.* *Pilul. Hyd. Iodidi.*

**CONFECTIO ROSÆ GALLICÆ.** Confection of the Red Rose. (*Rosæ Gal.* *℥ij.*, *Sacch.* *℥iij.* Beat the petals in a stone mortar, then add the sugar, and beat into a uniform mass.)

*Oper.* Astringent, tonic.

*Use.* In diarrhœa. Rubbed up with new milk, it is useful in early convalescence from acute diseases. A good vehicle.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj.

*Off. Prep.* *Pil. Hydrargeri.*

**CONFECTIO RUTÆ.** Confection of Rue. (*Rutæ exsic.* ; *Carui*, *Lauri* *Bacc. sing.* ʒjss. *Sagapeni.* ʒss. *Piper. Nig.* ʒij. ; *Mellis* ʒxvj. Rub the dry substances to a very fine powder, then add the honey, and mix.)

*Oper.* Antispasmodic, carminative.

*Use.* In the convulsive affections of children, given in clysters ; ʒj. to ʒj. in ʒss. of gruel

**CONFECTIO SCAMMONII.** Confection of Scammony. (*Scammonii contriti* ʒjss., *Caryoph. cont.*, *Zingiber. Contr.* ā ā ʒvj., *Olei. Carui.* fʒss. *Syr.*, *Rosæ*, q. s. s. Rub the dry substances to a very fine powder, then rub them again with the syrup ; add the oil of caraway, and mix.)

*Oper.* Warm cathartic.

*Dose.* ʒss. to ʒj. in a bolus.

**CONFECTIO SENNÆ.** Confection of Senna. (*Sennæ* ʒviiij., *Ficorum* *℥ij.*, *Tamarindi Cassiæ*, *Prunorum sing.* *℥ss.*, *Coriand* ʒiv., *Glycyrrhizæ* ʒiij. *Sacch pur.* *℥iijss.* *Aq. Oiii.* Rub the Senna with the Coriander, and by a sieve separate ten ounces of the mixed powder. Boil down the water, with the figs and the Liquorice added, to half ; then press out (the liquor) and strain it. Evaporate the strained liquor in a water-bath, until of the whole twenty-four fluidounces remain ; then, the Sugar being added, let a syrup be made. Lastly, rub the pulps gradually with the Syrup, and having thrown in the sifted powder mix them all.

*Oper.* Laxative.

*Use.* In habitual costiveness, and that attending pregnancy.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒiv.

**CONTRAJERVA.** P. 1824. ——— *Radix.* Contrajerva Root. (Dorstenia Contrajerva. *Tetrand. Monogyn. N. O. Urticæ.* South America. 2.)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic, heavy; taste bitter, styptic, sweetish.

*Oper.* Tonic, stimulant, sudorific.

*Use.* In typhus; nervous fever; the fever of dentition in weak infants; and dysentery.

*Dose.* Gr. xij. to 3ss.

**COPAIBA.** Copaiba. *Copaifera Officinalis, Decand. Digyn. N. O. Leguminosæ.* Brazils. 5.)

*Comp.* • Resinous extract, green volatile oil.

*Prop.* Odour peculiar, not unpleasant; taste pungent, bitter; consistence of syrup; yellowish, transparent; soluble in alcohol, æther, and the expressed oils; miscible in distilled water, by means of mucilage; spec. grav. 0950.

*Oper.* Stimulant, diuretic, purgative in large doses; acts on the urethra.

*Use.* In gonorrhœa, gleet, leucorrhœa, hemorrhoidal affections.

*Dose.* ℥x. to ʒi. in emulsion with gum or yolk of egg; in pills, by mixing the copaiba with magnesia and exposing the mixture to the air.

*Incomp.* Sulphuric acid, nitric acid.

*Tests.* Agitate fʒj. of liq. ammoniæ with fʒijss. of copaiba; if it remains milky when at rest, it contains castor oil.

**CORIANDRUM.** P. 1824. *Coriandri Semina.* Coriander (Coriandrum. *Sativum. Pentand. Digyn. N. O. Umbelliferæ.* Italy. 2.)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste grateful, pungent; seed hemispherical; ribbed.

*Oper.* Carminative.

*Use.* In flatulencies; but chiefly to cover the taste of other medicines.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj. entire, or in powder.

*Off. Prep.* *Infusum Sennæ, Confectio Sennæ.*

**CORNU.** Horn. (*Cervus. Elaphus, Mammalia Pecora.* Europe.)

*Prop.* Hard, compact, bony; yields 27 parts gelatine for every 100 of the horn.

*Oper.* Emollient, nutritive.

*Use.* To infants deprived of the breast. ʒvj. of the shavings, boiled in ʒiv. of water to ʒij. then strained, and the liquor again boiled with fʒj. of orange juice, ʒvj. of sugar, and fʒv. of sherry wine, forms a light nutritious jelly for the sick.

*Off. Prep.* *Cornu Ustum, Pulv. Antimonii Comp.*

**CORNU USTUM.** Burnt Hartshorn.

*Comp.* Phosphate of lime 575, carbonate of lime 1, phosphate of magnesia.

*Prop.* White, friable.

*Use.* The knowledge of the components of this preparation proves that it possesses no antacid qualities, and therefore it might be altogether rejected,



## CREASOTON. CREASOTE.

*Comp.* Oxygen, Hydrogen, and Carbon in unknown quantities.

*Prop.* Creasote, when pure, is a colourless liquid, of a thin, oily consistence, possessing a strong odour, and powerful pungent taste. Its odour is likened to wood smoke, or smoked meat. It boils at 307. F. Its specific gravity is 1.037. Water dissolves about one part in 80. It is very soluble in alcohol, ether, naphtha, and acetic acid; has no acid or alkaline reaction, but combines with both acids and alkalies. It forms compounds with soda, potash, and lime, soluble in water; and may be separated from them by very feeble acids. It is decomposed by nitric and sulphuric acid. It coagulates albumen readily, and in a very diluted state. It acts powerfully on living beings, destroying them if brought in contact with it, even in a very diluted form. Its name explains a remarkable property which it possesses, viz. its antiseptic power upon flesh. The word is derived from the Greek, being formed of *kreas* flesh and *σωζω* to preserve.

Creasote is an ingredient of tar procured from vegetable and some animal substances; most generally it is obtained from the impure pyroligneous liquid which is evolved by the destructive distillation of wood.

*Oper. and Use.* The virtues of creasote in the cure of disease are not satisfactorily established. It has often held out great hope and promise, which a short period of trial has completely overthrown. It is a decidedly powerful remedy in toothache, if introduced into a carious tooth. It sometimes checks obstinate vomiting, when all other remedies have failed. It has been tried, in hæmoptysis, diabetes, burns, itch, and several skin diseases; gangrene of the extremities, Scrofulous ulcers of the throat and leg; syphilitic sores, lumbago, aphthæ, and rheumatism. It might also probably be serviceable in cholera.

The action of creasote on the system is very mysterious; for it seems to be both a sedative and stimulant, in different cases and doses, and it probably acts in part by its chemical action upon the tissues, to which it is applied. Thus, it checks the bleeding from vessels by the coagulation produced in the blood. From experiments on animals, in large doses, it has been observed to occasion sudden prostration of muscular power, vertigo, oppression of the breathing, vomiting, spasms of the abdominal muscles, tremors, convulsions, and death. On examination after death the tissues possess the odour of creasote; the large vessels about the heart are gorged with blood more coagulated than usual, there is congestion of the lungs, but little congestion of the vessels of the brain. It is also found to produce an inflammatory appearance of the mucous membrane of the alimentary canal. Creasote may be given in the form of liquid or in pills. The latter is more pleasant, as the taste of creasote is far from agreeable.

*Dose.* One minim three times a day, which may be gradually increased to eight or ten minims. As an external application in the form of lotion, two to eight drops of this liquid may be added to each ounce of water.

*Off. Prep.* Ung. Creasoti.

## CRETA. Chalk.

*Comp.* Lime 53, carbonic acid 45, in 100 parts; some argil. *Spec.* grav. from 2.3 to 2.6.

*Prop.* White, friable, effervescing with acids.

*Use.* To prepare the Creta Præparata.

*Off. Prep.* *Calcii Chlorid.*

## CRETA PRÆPARATA. Prepared Chalk.

*Comp.* The same as those of Creta.

*Oper.* Internally antacid; externally absorbent.

*Use.* In diarrhœa from acidity; externally, when sprinkled over burns, after the inflammation has subsided, and a poultice applied, the skinning over of the sore is much hastened.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. or more.

*Off. Prep.* *Mistura Cretæ, Hydrargyrum cum Cretâ, Pulvis, Cretæ Comp., Confect. Aromat.*

CROCUS. Saffron. (*Crocus Sativus, Triand Monogyn, N. O. Iridaceæ.* The East 4.) The English is the best.

*Prop.* Odour diffusive, aromatic, narcotic; taste aromatic, pungent, bitter; colour deep orange red; residing in an extractive essential oil and resin; yields its virtues to alcohol, wine, vinegar, and water.

*Oper.* Stimulant, exhilarating, diaphoretic.

*Use.* In hysteria, and other nervous affections.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to ʒss.

*Off. Prep.* *Syrupus Croci, Confect. Aromatica, Pilulæ. Aloes cum Myrrhâ, Pil. Styracis Comp., Tinct. Cardam. Com., Decoct. Aloetis com., Tinct. Aloes Comp., Tinct. Cinchona Comp., Tinct. Rhei Comp.*

CYMINUM. P. 1824. *Cumini Semina.* Cummin (*Cuminum Cyminum, Pentand. Monogyn. N. O. Umbelliferæ.* Egypt. 6.)

*Prop.* Odour peculiar, heavy; taste warm, bitterish, disagreeable. Water extracts their odour; spirit takes up both odour and taste. Seeds ovate, striated.

*Oper.* Antispasmodic; externally stimulating.

*Use.* Scarcely ever employed internally.

CUPRI AMMONIO-SULPHAS. P. 1824. *Cuprum Ammoniatum.* Ammoniated Copper. (*Cupri Sulphat. ʒj. Amm. Sesquicarb. ʒiss.*)

*Comp.* Subsulphate of copper, subsulphate of ammonia.

*Prop.* A crystalline powder of a rich violet colour; taste hot, styptic, metalline. Its colour is lost by keeping, if exposed to the air, and it becomes green; being partly converted into carbonate of copper.

*Oper.* Tonic, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In epilepsy and chorea, after a course of purging.

*Dose.* Gr. ʒ gradually increased to gr. iv. in a pill twice a day.

*Off. Prep.* *Liq. Cupri Ammon. Sulph.*

**CUPRI SULPHAS.** Sulphate of Copper.

*Comp.* Hydrate of copper 42·6, sulphuric acid 33, water 25·4, in 100 pts.; or, 1 eq. protoxide of copper = 39·6 + 1 sulphuric acid = 40·1 : eq. 79·7.

*Prop.* Crystals rhomboidal, rich blue, semi-transparent, efflorescing, inodorous; taste harsh, styptic, corrosive: soluble in 4 parts of water, at 60°; 2 of water at 212°.

*Oper.* Tonic, emetic, astringent, escharotic.

*Use.* In epilepsy, hysteria, and intermittent fever and dysentery; and to produce vomiting in incipient phthisis, croup, and in cases of poisoning; externally as a stimulant to ulcers, and to take down fungus. A weak solution is sometimes used as a collyrium in ophthalmia, and as an injection in gleet. It formed the base of a very unchemical preparation, Bates' Aqua Camphorata, which Ware recommends, diluted with 16 parts of water, in the purulent ophthalmia of infants. The following will answer instead of it. R Cupri sulph. gr. iij. mist. camphoræ f3v. cola.

*Dose.* Gr. ½ to gr. ij. in a pill: gr. ij. to gr. x. in f3ij. of water vomit.

*Incomp.* Alkalies, earths, and their carbonates; sodæ subboras; salts of lead; acetate of iron; acetate and diacetate of lead; astringent vegetable infusions and tinctures.

*Off. Prep.* Cupri Ammon. Sulph.

**CURCUMA.** P. 1824. *Curcumæ Longæ Radix.* Turmeric. (*Curcuma Longa*, Monand, Monogyn. N. O. *Scitamineæ*. India, 24.) A tuberos root.

*Prop.* Colour pale yellow; taste bitter and aromatic; odour slightly aromatic. It tinges the urine reddish after being taken for a short time.

*Oper.* Stimulant, tonic.

*Use.* Indebilitated states of the stomach; intermittent fever; dropsy.

*Dose.* From ʒss. of the powder to ʒij.; three table spoonsful, three times a day, of an infusion made with ʒiij. of the root in ʒj. of water.

**CUSPARIA.** P. 1824. *Cuspariæ Cortex.* Cusparia or Angustura Bark. (*Cusparia febrifuga*, Pentandria Monogynia, N. O. *Diosmeæ*. South America. 5.)

*Prop.* Odour peculiar; taste intensely bitter, and slightly aromatic; pieces thin; externally grey, wrinkled; internally yellowish-fawn; fracture short, resinous. Yields its virtues to water and proof spirit.

*Oper.* Tonic, stimulant, aromatic.

*Use.* In dyspepsia, removing flatulence and acidity; chronic diarrhoea, dysentery.

*Incomp.* Sulphate of iron and of copper, nitrate of silver, tartarized antimony, acetate and diacetate of lead, bichloride of mercury, pure potash, and infusion of galls and yellow cinchona bark.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to gr. xx. in powder.

*Off. Prep.* Infusum Cuspariæ.



**CYDONIA.** Quince Seed. (*Pyrus Cydonia*, *Icosandria Pentagynia*, N. O. *Rosaceæ*. Germany.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .)

*Prop.* Shape of the seeds ovate, angled; the coriaceous external coat abounds with mucilage, to obtain which only they are used.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoctum Cydoniæ*.

**DAUCI RADIX ET FRUCTUS.** Carrot Root and Seed. (*Daucus Carota*, *Pentand.*, *Digyn.*, N. O. *Umbelliferae*. Indigenous.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .)

*Prop.* The root is sweet and mucilaginous; the seeds have an aromatic odour, and a moderately warm pungent taste.

*Oper.* Of the root emollient; of the seeds stomachic, carminative, diuretic. The root is externally antiseptic.

*Use.* The root is chiefly employed as a poultice to fœtid and ill-conditioned sores. The seeds have very little efficacy in gravel and other renal affections, for which they have been extolled.

*Dose.* Of the bruised seed  $\mathfrak{Dj}$ . to  $\mathfrak{3j}$ .

**DECOCTUM ALOES COMPOSITUM.** Compound Decoction of Aloes. (*Ext. Glycyrrh.*  $\mathfrak{3vij}$ ., *Potassæ Carb.*  $\mathfrak{zj}$ . *Aloes contritæ*, *Myrrhæ contritæ*, *Orci sing.*  $\mathfrak{3jss}$ ., *Tinct. Card. com.*  $\mathfrak{f3vij}$ ., *Aquæ distill.*  $\mathfrak{0jss}$ .) Boil to  $\mathfrak{0j}$ . and strain, then add *Tinct. Card. Comp.*

*Comp.* The gummy and extractive matter of the plants dissolved in water, which is enabled, by the alkali, to take up a little of the resin. The tincture keeps it unchanged.

*Oper.* Gently cathartic; emmenagogue.

*Use.* In habitual costiveness from torpor of the bowels; jaundice, hypochondriasis, and chlorosis.

*Dose.*  $\mathfrak{f3ss}$  to  $\mathfrak{f3j}$ . taken in the morning.

*Incomp.* Acids and acidulous salts, metallic salts.

**DECOCTUM AMYLI.** P. 1824. *Mutilago Amyli*. Decoction of Starch (*Amyli*  $\mathfrak{ziv}$ . *Aq.*  $\mathfrak{0j}$ . Rub the Starch with the water gradually added, then boil for a short time.

*Use.* As a demulcent.

*Off. Prep.* *Enema Opii*.

**DECOCTUM CETRARIE.** P. 1824. ——— *Lichenis*. Decoction of Liverwort. (*Cetrariæ*  $\mathfrak{3v}$ . *Aquæ*  $\mathfrak{0jss}$ . Boil to  $\mathfrak{0j}$ . and strain.)

*Comp.* Bitter extractive, and fecula, dissolved in water.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter; mucilaginous; colour yellow.

*Oper.* Tonic, demulcent.

*Use.* In protracted coughs, phthisis, emaciation from the great discharge of ulcers, pertussis.

*Dose.*  $\mathfrak{f3iv}$ . to  $\mathfrak{f3ij}$ . three or four times a day. The bitter is completely extracted by steeping the lichen in several waters before it is boiled, adding to each water about half a scruple of subcarbonate of potash. Its nutritive qualities are considerable.

**DECOCTUM CINCHONÆ CORDIFOLIÆ.** Decoction of heart-leaved Cinchona. (*Cinchonæ Cort. Cord. contust*  $\mathfrak{3x}$ . *Aquæ distill.*  $\mathfrak{0j}$ . Boil for ten minutes in a slightly covered vessel, and strain while hot.)

*Comp.* Cinchonia. Quina, as Bikinates, and resinous extractive dissolved in water.

*Prop.* Odour and taste that of the species of bark employed.

*Oper.* The same as that of the bark.

*Use.* When the powder does not sit easy on the stomach; and when large doses are necessary, or ingredients of a nature which cannot be combined with the powder are required to be given with the bark.

*Dose.* f̄j. to f̄iv. three or four times a day.

*Incomp.* Hydrochloric acid, tartarized antimony, infusion of astringent bark.

#### DECOCTUM CINCHONÆ LANCIFOLIÆ ET OBLONGIFOLIÆ.

Decoction of lance-leaved and oblong-leaved Cinchona. These are prepared in the same manner as the decoction of Heart-leaved Cinchona.

*Use.* In gangrene and general debility.

#### DECOCTUM CHIMAPHILÆ. Decoction of Winter Green. (*Chimaphilæ* f̄j., *Aquæ dist.* 0jss. Boil to a pint, and strain.)

*Oper.* Diuretic.

*Use.* In dropsy.

*Dose.* From f̄j., to f̄jss.

#### DECOCTUM CYDONIÆ. Decoction of Quince Seed. (*Cydoniæ* f̄ij., *Aquæ distill.* 0j. Boil over a gentle fire ten minutes, and strain.)

*Comp.* A solution of mucilage in water.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste slightly grateful; nearly colourless; transparent: viscid.

*Oper.* Demulcent.

*Use.* In aphthæ, united with borax and honey, or syrup of mulberries; injected beneath the eyelids in violent ophthalmia. Perhaps altogether superfluous, as it does not keep.

*Incomp.* Acids, which coagulate it.

#### DECOCTUM DULCAMARÆ. Decoction of Woody Night-shade. (*Dulcamaræ concisæ* f̄3x., *Aquæ distill.* 0jss. Boil to one pint and strain.)

*Prop.* Odour strong and unpleasant; taste bitter and nauseous, followed by a degree of sweetness. (*Solanina*.)

*Oper.* Diuretic, diaphoretic.

*Use.* In dropsy; humoral asthma, lepra, and some other diseases of the skin.

*Dose.* f̄iv. to f̄j. with any aromatic tincture, twice or thrice a day.

#### DECOCTUM GRANATI. Decoction of Pomegranate. (*Granati* f̄ij., *Aquæ distillatæ* 0jss. Boil to a pint, and strain.)

*Prop.* Contains tannin, extractive, gum.

*Oper.* Astringent, anthelmintic.

*Use.* In tape-worm, dysentery.

*Dose.* f̄jss. to f̄j.

#### DECOCTUM HORDEI. Decoction of Barley. (*Hordei* f̄ijss., *Aquæ* 0ijss. First wash the Barley well, then boil it for a few minutes in 0ss. of the water: which being strained off, and thrown away, add the remainder boiling; boil to two pints and strain.)

*Oper.* Nutritive, demulcent.

*Use.* As a diluent in febrile affections; recent gonorrhœa, and strangury; and to form the bulk in clysters.

*Dose.* Ad libitum.

*Off. Prep.* *Enema Aloes*, *Enema Terebinth.*, *Decoct. Hord. comp.*

**DECOCTUM HORDEI COMPOSITUM.** Compound Decoction of Barley. (*Decoct. Hord.* 0ij. *Ficorum, concis.* — 3ijss. *Glycyrr. concisæ et confusæ* 3v. *Urz.* 3ijss., *Aquæ* 0j. Boil to two pints, and strain.)

*Oper. Use, and Dose.* The same as the former; its laxative effect, which may be sometimes hurtful, is obviated by a few drops of tincture of opium.

**DECOCTUM MALVÆ COMPOSITUM.** Compound Decoction of Mallow. (*Malvæ exsic.* 3j., *Anthemidis exsic.* 3ss. *Aquæ* 0j. Boil for fifteen minutes, and strain.)

*Comp.* Bitter extractive and mucilage in water.

*Use.* For the purpose of clysters and fomentations.

**DECOCTUM PAPAVERIS.** Decoction of Poppy. (*Papav. concis.* 3iv., *Aquæ* 0iv. Boil for fifteen minutes, and strain.)

*Comp.* Bimeconate of morphia, and mucilage, extractive, &c., in water.

*Prop.* Anodyne, emollient.

*Use.* As a fomentation in painful swellings, excoriations arising from the thin acrid discharge of ulcers, and those common to infants.

**DECOCTUM QUERCUS.** Decoction of Oak Bark. (*Quercus Cont.* 3x., *Aquæ distill.* 0ij. Boil to a pint, and strain.)

*Oper.* Astringent.

*Use.* As an injection in leucorrhœa, and the gleety discharge which frequently remains after miscarriages; a fomentation in local vitiated ulcer, an application to warts.

**DECOCTUM SARZÆ.** P. 1824. ——— *Sarsaparillæ*, Decoction of Sarsaparilla. *Sarzæ concis.* 3v. *Aq. distill. ferv.* 0iv. Macerate for four hours near the fire, in a slightly covered vessel; then bruise the root, and macerate again for two hours; then boil to 0ij. and strain.)

*Comp.* Parillin, bitter extractive, and mucilage in water.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter; glutinous.

*Oper.* Slightly diaphoretic and tonic; demulcent.

*Use.* In the sequelæ of syphilis after a mercurial course.

*Dose.* f3iv. to 0ss. twice or thrice a day alone, or united with milk.

*Incomp.* Lime water, acetates of lead.

*Off. Prop.* *Decoct. Sarzæ com.*

**DECOCTUM SARZÆ COMPOSITUM.** P. 1824. ——— *Sarsaparilla Comp.* Compound Decoction of Sarsaparilla. (*Decocti ferv.* 0iv., *Sassafras concisæ*, *Guaiaci Ligni rasi*, *Glycyrr. cont. sing.* 3x. *Mezerei* 3ij. Boil fifteen minutes, and strain.)

*Oper.* Diaphoretic, alterative.

*Use.* The same as the former; in secondary syphilis, chronic rheumatism, and lepra.

*Dose.* f3iv. to 0ss. twice or thrice a day.

\* \* This preparation is similar to the celebrated *Lisbon Diet Drink*.



**DECOCTUM SCOPARI COMPOSITUM.** Compound Decoction of Broom. (*Scoparii, Juniperi fructus Taraxici*, aa.  $\bar{3}$ ss. *Aquæ distillatæ* 0jss. Boil to a pint, and strain.)

*Oper.* Diuretic.

*Use.* In dropsy.

*Dose.*  $\bar{f}\bar{3}$ jss. three times a day.

**DECOCTUM SENEGÆ.** Decoction of Senega. (*Senegæ*  $\bar{3}$ x., *Aquæ distill.* 0ij. Boil to 0j., and strain.)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste hot and pungent; colour brown olive.

*Oper.* Diuretic, purgative, stimulant.

*Use.* In dropsy, rheumatism, and affections of the lungs, attended with debility, and inordinate secretion.

*Dose.*  $\bar{f}\bar{3}$ jss. to  $\bar{f}\bar{3}$ ijj. three or four times a day.

**DECOCTUM TORMENTILLÆ.** Decoction of Tormentil. (*Tormentillæ cont.*  $\bar{3}$ ij., *Aquæ dist.* 0iss. Boil to 0j., and strain.)

*Comp.* Tannin, extractive in solution.

*Use.* In diarrhæa, and as an injection in leucorrhœa.

*Dose.*  $\bar{f}\bar{3}$ j. to  $\bar{f}\bar{3}$ ij. three or four times a day.

*Incomp.* Chalk mixture, alkalies, ipecacuanha, all metallic salts, opium.

**DECOCTUM ULMI.** Decoction of Elm Bark. (*Ulmæ recent. contusi*  $\bar{3}$ ijss., *Aquæ distill.* 0ij. Boil to 0j. and strain.)

*Prop.* Odour faint; taste slightly bitter; colour brown.

*Oper.* Diuretic, alterative.

*Use.* In lepra, and herpetic eruptions. Willan thinks it has little efficacy.

*Dose.*  $\bar{f}\bar{3}$ iv. to 0ss. twice or thrice a day.

*Incomp.* Alcohol and tinctures in any considerable quantity.

**DECOCTUM VERATRI.** Decoction of White Hellebore. (*Veratri cont.*  $\bar{3}$ x., *Aquæ distill.* 0ij., *Spir. Rect.*  $\bar{f}\bar{3}$ ijj. Boil the Hellebore in the water to 0j. and when it is cold, add the spirit) *Decoction Hellebori albi*.

*Oper.* Stimulant, acrid, cathartic.

*Use.* The violent operation of veratrum confines it to external use. This decoction is employed, with benefit, in scabies, tinea capitis, and other foulnesses of the skin. It requires to be diluted when the skin is very irritable.

**DECOCTUM UVÆ URSI:** Decoction of Whortleberry. (*Uvæ Ursi cont.*  $\bar{3}$ j., *Aquæ dist.* 0jss. Boil to a pint, and strain.)

*Comp.* Chiefly tannin and gallic acid.

*Oper.* Astringent, diuretic.

*Use.* In hæmorrhages of prostate gland and the intestinal canal.

*Dose.*  $\bar{f}\bar{3}$ j. to  $\bar{f}\bar{3}$ ij. three times a day.

*Incomp.* Ipecacuanha, opium, infusion of cinchona bark, alkalies.

**DIGITALIS FOLIA ET SEMINA.** Purple Foxglove Leaves. (*Digitalis Purpurea, Didynam. Angiosperm. N. O. Scrofularinæ* Indigenous. ♂.) *Digitalis herba.*

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste acrimonious, bitter, nauseous; injured by light both in colour and virtues. The leaves should be collected in July, and dried without heat.

**Oper.** Stimulant, but afterwards sedative, diminishing the velocity and force of the pulse, and lessening the irritability; diuretic. In overdoses it occasions vomiting, purging, dimness of sight, vertigo, delirium, hiccough, convulsions, and death. These symptoms of poisoning are obviated by cordials, opium, and blisters.

**Use.** In inflammatory diseases; phthisis; active hæmorrhages; and dropsies, unattended by palsy and unsound viscera: particularly when combined with nitric acid, in dropsies which occur after long and harassing courses of mercury; most useful where there is a laxness of fibre, pale countenance, intermittent, weak pulse, cold skin, and when the swelling pits. This state may be produced by bleeding, saline purges, &c. When nausea occurs, its use must be intermitted for a little time; but we are not of opinion that purging counteracts its desired effects; for, although the kidneys may not act so powerfully, yet the absorbents are strongly excited, and the body is unloaded of the morbid fluid by the intestines. Its use must be followed by a generous diet, and tonics; and during its employment, diluents are necessary.

**Dose.** Gr. j. to gr. iij, in a pill, united with ammoniacum, soap, calomel, or opium, every six or eight hours, till the remedy acts by the kidneys, when it must be discontinued; but it may again be given, after an interval.

**Off. Prep.** *Extr. Digitalis, Infusum Digitalis, Tinct. Digitalis.*

**DIOSMA BUCHU.** The leaves of *Diosma Crenata*. (*Pentandria Monogyn.* N. O. *Diosmææ*. Cape of Good Hope.  $\bar{h}$ .)

**Prop.** Taste cool and aromatic, resembling peppermint; odour aromatic. The dried leaves stiff, of a yellow olive hue on the upper disc, pale and rugose on the lower; studded with glands.

**Oper.** Sudorific, diuretic.

**Use.** In rheumatism, gout, and catarrhal affections, affections of the mucous membrane of the bladder of urine.

**Off. Prep.** *Infus. Diosmææ.*

**DULCAMARA.** Woody Nightshade Twigs. (*Solanum Dulcamara*, *Pentand.* *Monogyn.* N. O. *Solanaceæ*. Indigenous.  $\bar{h}$ .)

**Prop.** Dried, inodorous; taste bitter, followed by a sweetness.

**Oper.** Diuretic, sudorific.

**Use.** In chronic rheumatism, humoral asthma, dropsy, lepra vulgaris, scrofula and jaundice.

**Dose.**  $\mathfrak{z}$ j. to  $\mathfrak{z}$ j. in powder in the form of extract gr. v. to gr. x. An overdose produces vomiting and delirium.\*

**Off. Prep.** *Decoctum Dulcamaræ.*

**ELATERIUM.** P. 1824. *Elaterii Pepones*. Wild Cucumber (*Monœcia Monadelph.* N. O. *Cucurbitaceæ*. South of Europe.  $\odot$ .)

**Comp.** Elatin, bitter principle, fecula.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste scarcely bitter, acrid.

\* The effects of *Dulcamara* are regulated by the soil and temperature of the climate where the plants grow; the warmer the better.

*Oper.* Violently cathartic; hydragogue.

*Use.* In dropsies; but the extract is generally preferred.

*Dose.* Gr. ss to gr. j. in a pill.

*Off. Prep.* *Extractum Elaterii.*

**ELEMI.** Elemi. (*Amyris, elemifera, Octand. Monogyn. N. O. Amyrideæ.* Carolina. h.)

*Comp.* Resin, volatile oil.

*Prop.* Odour fragrant, strong; taste bitter. In large solid masses of a yellow and greenish colour, semi-transparent; fusible, soluble in alcohol, partly also in essential oil.

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* Scarcely ever used internally; but chiefly for forming a pleasant digestive ointment, for promoting the discharge from blisters, issues, and setons.

*Off. Prep.* *Unguentum Elemi.*

**EMPLASTRUM AMMONIACI.** Ammoniacum Plaster. (*Ammoniaci ʒv., Aceti distillati fʒviij.* After dissolving the Ammoniacum in the Vinegar, the Plaster is formed by evaporating with a slow fire the mixture, constantly stirring to a proper consistence.)

*Prop.* Adhesive.

*Oper.* Stimulant, resolvent.

*Use.* To scrofulous tumours, bronchocele, white swelling.

**EMPLASTRUM AMMONIACI CUM HYDRARGYRO.** Ammoniacum Plaster with Mercury. (*Ammoniaci lbj, Hydrarg. ʒiij, Olei Olivæ fʒj, Sulphuris gr. viij.* Add the sulphur to the oil, stirring constantly until they combine, then rub the mercury with them until the globules disappear; lastly, add the ammoniacum melted, and mix.)

*Oper.* Resolvent, discutient.

*Use.* To indurated glands, hydarthrus, nodes, tophi, bronchocele, and indolent tumours.

*The mercury is in the state of a protoxide.*

**EMPLASTRUM BELLADONNÆ.** Plaster of Belladonna. (*Emplastri. Resinæ ʒiij, Extracti Belladonnæ ʒjss.*) Add the extract to the Plaster, melted by the heat of a water-bath, and mix.

*Oper.* Sedative.

*Use.* In chronic rheumatism, and local pains.

**EMPLASTRUM CANTHARIDIS.** P. 1824. ——— *Lytt.* Plaster of the Spanish or Blistering Fly. (*Cantharidis in pulv. sub. ʒbj, Emp. Cerae lbjss, Adipis lbss.* Sprinkle the Cantharides in the plaster and lard melted together, and removed from the fire, a little before they concreate, and mix them all.)

*Oper.* Epispastic.

*Use.* In every case where blisters are required. Heat destroys the acrimony of the flies, and therefore this plaster fails when incautiously prepared. It should be spread on leather for a plaster, with the thumb, and never with a hot spatula; perhaps the most certain mode of raising blisters would be to sprinkle the finely powdered flies on some farinaceous paste, as suggested by Parmentier. In using this plaster, the part which it is to cover



should be bathed with vinegar; and a piece of thin gauze pressed down on the surface of the plaster interposed between it and the skin, by which means it is easily and cleanly removed. It requires to remain applied twelve hours in order to produce a perfect blister.

**EMPLASTRUM CERÆ.** Wax Plaster. (*Ceræ, Sevi sing. lbij. Resinæ lbj.* Melt them together, and strain.)

*Oper.* Irritative, drawing.

*Use.* Intended for supporting the discharge from a blistered surface; but, owing to the irritation it induces, now seldom employed.

*Off. Prep.* *Emplastrum Cantharidis.*

**EMPLASTRUM GALBANI.** P. 1824. ————— *Comp.* Galbanum Plaster. (*Galbani ℥viiij., Emplastri Plumbi lbij., Terebinthinæ Vulgaris ℥x. Abietis Resinæ contritæ ℥iij.* First add the pine resin, and afterwards the plaster melted with a gentle heat, to the Galbanum and Turpentine melted, and mix all together.

*Oper.* Stimulant, suppurative.

*Use.* To scrofulous tumours; old arthritic joints; and to the lumbar regions in rickets. For the purposes of a digestive in discharged abscesses, when induration remains.

**EMPLASTRUM HYDRARGYRI.** (*protoxidi.*) Mercurial Plaster. (*Hydrarg. ℥iij., Emplast. Plumbi lbj., Olivæ Olei f℥j., Sulphuris gr. viij.* Rub the sulphur with the heated oil, stirring constantly until they unite, then rub the mercury with them until the globules disappear; lastly, add gradually the lead plaster melted with a slow fire, and mix the whole together.) *Emplastrum Lithargyri cum Hydrargyro.*

*Oper.* Stimulant, resolvent, discutient.

*Use.* To buboes and venereal tumours; nodes, when not painful to the touch; and indurations; and to joints affected with syphilitic pains.

**EMPLASTRUM OPII.** Opium Plaster. (*Opii dur. cont. ℥ss., Abietis Resinæ cont. ℥iij., Emplast. Plumbi lbj., Aquæ f℥viij.* To the plaster melted add the resin, the opium, and the water, and boil the mixture with a slow fire to a proper consistence.)

*Oper.* Anodyne? stimulant.

*Use.* Against internal pains. Although it is undoubtedly certain that opium, in that state of minute division in which it exists in the tincture, produces its specific effect on the system in a small degree, when externally applied; yet we doubt whether the effect of this plaster will sanction the adoption of it by the London College.

**EMPLASTRUM PICIS.** P. 1824. ————— *Comp.* Pitch Plaster. (*Picis Abietinæ lbij., Abietis Resinæ lbj., Resinæ, Ceræ sing. ℥iv., Myristicæ Olei expressi ℥j., Olivæ Olei, Aquæ, sing. f℥ij.* Add first the Resin of the Spruce Fir, the Oil of Nutmegs, the Olive Oil, and the water to the Pitch, Resin and Wax melted together. Lastly mix them all and boil down to a proper consistence.

*Oper.* Stimulant, rubefacient.

*Use.* In catarrh, and other pulmonary affections, applied to the chest; and to the temples in pains of the head, and chronic ophthalmia. When any serious exudation takes place, the plaster should be frequently renewed.

**EMPLASTRUM PLUMBI** (*Oxidi?*) Plaster of Lead, or Oxide of Lead. (*Plumbi Oxidi in pulv. sub. trit. ℞vj., Olivæ Olei Congium, Aqua Oij.* Boil together over a slow fire, stirring constantly until the oil and oxide of lead form a plaster; but it will be proper to add a little boiling Water, if nearly the whole of that which was used in the beginning, should be consumed before the end of the boiling.

*Comp.* Oxide of lead, and the oil changed so as to approximate to the nature of volatile oil. The water is evaporated.

*Oper.* Defensive, slightly adhesive.

*Use.* In excoriations; as a defence to slight wounds, and to retain their edges together; as a covering to corns; and to form the basis of some other plasters.

*Off. Prep.* *Emplast. Hydrargyri, Emplast. Opii, Emplast. Galbani, Emp. Resinæ, Emp. Saponis.*

**EMPLASTRUM RESINÆ.** Resin Plaster. (*Resinæ ℞ss., Emplastri Plumbi ℞iij.* Melt the plaster with a gentle heat, then add the resin, and mix.)

*Oper.* Defensive, adhesive, slightly stimulant.

*Use.* In retaining the lips of recent wounds together, that they may heal by the first intention; and to give support to ulcerated parts, to assist their granulation, without rest. The plaster originally prepared by Mr. Baynton contained less resin; ℞vj. only to ℞ij. of the litharge plaster. This preparation, however answers the purpose equally well, except in very irritable habits.

*Off. Prep.* *Emplast. Belladonnæ.*

**EMPLASTRUM SAPONIS.** Soap Plaster. (*Saponis concisi ℞ss., Emplast. Plumbi ℞iij.* Mix the soap with the melted plaster and boil to a proper consistence.)

*Oper.* Mildly discutient.

*Use.* Applied to lymphatic tumours; and used with the same views as the mercurial plaster, but with much less effect.

**ENEMA ALOES.** Clyster of Aloes. (*Aloes ℞ij., Potassæ carbonatis gr. xv., Decocti Hordei ℞ss.* Mix and rub together.)

*Use.* As a stimulant, by contiguity to the uterus in Amenorrhæa; and for dislodging ascarides.

**ENEMA COLOCYNTHIDIS.** Clyster of Colocynth. (*Ext. Colocynthidis comp. ℞ij., Saponis mollis ℞j., Aquæ f℞viij.*)

*Use.* A stimulant purgative in constipation and colic.

**ENEMA OPII.** Clyster of Opium. (*Tincturæ Opii ℥xx. Decocti Amyli f℞iv.*)

*Use.* In irritable bladder, diseases of the prostate gland, and dysentery; and strangury from blisters.

**ENEMA TABACI.** Enema of Tobacco. (*Tabaci* ʒj., *Aquæ ferventis* ʒj. Macerate for an hour, and strain.)

*Oper.* Sedative.

*Use.* In hernia, and spasmodic affections.

**ENEMA TEREBINTHINÆ.** Turpentine Clyster. (*Terebinthinæ Olei* fʒj. *Ovi vitell.* Rub together and add gradually fʒx., of barley water, not exceeding 100° Fahrenheit in temperature.)

*Use.* In affections of the urinary organs.

**ERGOTA ERGOT.** *Acinula Clavus* (*Ergot of Rye.*)

The morbid grain of *Secale Cereale*, common Rye.

*Prop.* Odour peculiar; taste at first imperceptible, afterwards acrid and disagreeable. Externally it has a violet colour, but internally a dirty white, of a cylindrical form, slightly curved and tapering at the extremities: its supposed resemblance to the spur of a cock has led to the name "*spurred rye.*"

*Oper. and Use.* In small doses ergot of rye produces no sensible effect on the male, but in the female has a strong tendency to the uterus, the contractibility of which it is able to augment to a surprising degree. In large doses it is liable to cause nausea and vomiting, and in larger doses headache and fever. The nauseating effects are not requisite for its action on the uterus. When eaten in food, as in rye bread in some countries, it has had a most pernicious influence, producing dry gangrene, typhus fever, and disorder of the nervous system, attended with convulsions.

The most important use of this substance is in aiding parturition. The cases suited for its administration, are protracted labours, depending on atony of the uterus, and from the same cause, retention of the placenta and hæmorrhage. In protracted labour, *the conditions necessary to admit of its use are*, a dilated state of the os uteri, a natural presentation, well formed pelvis, a disposition of the external parts to yield, no presumed malformation of the child, and rupture of the membranes. *The objections to its use are*, the danger of rupturing the uterus, death of the child from too great compression, and laceration of the perineum. It usually acts within a quarter of an hour, and the contractions of the uterus, when excited, are constant, not intermitting as in healthy labour, and they will be felt after the expulsion of the fœtus. Its use is sometimes attended with considerable after-pains, which however can be checked by a full dose of opium.

It has also been given with good results in menorrhagia, and hæmorrhagies generally, and to check other discharges from mucous membranes, as in diarrhœa, gleet, and gonorrhœa. Its action in this way is not fully understood.

*Dose.* In powder, ʒss. to ʒj.

The best mode of giving it is to have it coarsely powdered, then to put it into a tea cup, and pour upon it two or three ounces of boiling water, let it stand till it is cool enough to drink, and let the patient drink the infusion and dregs as well. This may be repeated two or three times. The tincture and other liquid preparations do not appear to be so certain in their operation.



**EUPHORBIIUM.** P. 1824. *Euphorbia Gumi Resinæ*. Euphorbium, (*Euphorbia Officinarium*, (*Canariensis*?) *Dodecand. Trigynia*, N. O. *Euphorbiaceæ*. Africa. 2.)

**Comp.** 37.0 resin, 19.0 wax, 20.5 malate of lime, 20 malate of potassa, 5.0 water, and 13.5 woody matter and loss.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste, when chewed, nauseous, burning; tears irregular, about the size of a large pea, dry, friable, externally yellow, but paler within. Spec. grav. 1.129 partially soluble in alcohol; less so in water.

**Oper.** Errhine.

**Use.** Diluted with starch, or any mild powder, it is snuffed up the nostrils in amaurosis, lethargy, chronic ophthalmia, and all cases where a copious discharge is required from the pituitary membrane.

**EXTRACTS.**—"In preparing all extracts, unless otherwise ordered, evaporate the water, by a water bath, in a pan, as quickly as possible, towards the end stirring constantly with a spatula, until a proper consistence is acquired for forming pills.

Sprinkle upon all softer extracts, a little rectified spirit, that they may not become mouldy."

**EXTRACTUM ACONITI.** Extract of Aconite. (*Aconiti fol recent.* lbj. Bruise in a stone mortar, sprinkling with water, press the juice out and evaporate it unstrained to a proper consistence.)

**Prop.** Odour disagreeable, taste acrid, slightly styptic; colour obscure green, brownish red. It loses its virtues when long kept.

**Oper.** Narcotic, diuretic.

**Use.** In obstinate chronic rheumatisms and agues; glandular swellings; convulsions; and chronic uterine hæmorrhagies.

**Dose.** Gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$  night and morning, gradually increased to gr.  $\frac{1}{2}$  in the form of pills.

**EXTRACTUM ALOES PURIFICATUM.** Extract of Aloes. (*Aloes contritæ*,  $\bar{\text{ss}}$  xv. *Aq. ferrent.* Ci.) Macerate for three days with a gentle heat; afterwards strain and set by that the dregs may subside. Pour off the clear liquor, and evaporate it to a proper consistence.

**Prop.** Almost inodorous; taste bitter, but less unpleasant than the aloes.

**Oper.** Cathartic, emmenagogue.

**Use.** In the same cases for which the gum-resin is applied.

**Dose.** Gr. v. to gr. xv. in pills.

**Off. Prep.** *Ext. Colocynth Comp.*

**EXTRACTUM BELLADONNÆ.** Extract of Belladonna. Prepared in the same manner as Extract of Aconite.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste bitterish.

**Oper.** Narcotic; it is used in the same cases as the plant.

**Dose.** Gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , gradually increased to gr. ij. in pills.

**Off. Prep.** *Emplastrum Belladonnæ.*

**EXTRACTUM CINCHONÆ CORDIFOLIÆ.** Extract of heart-leaved Cinchona Bark. (*Cinchonæ Cordifoliæ Contus* ʒxxv. *Aq. distill.* C. iv.) Boil down in a gallon of Water to 6 pints, and strain the liquor while hot. Boil down the Bark in an equal measure of water four times, and strain. Lastly, all the liquors being mixed, evaporate to a proper consistence.

*Comp.* Kinate of quina, a small portion of kinate of Cinchonia, and of lime, extractive, mucilage, and tannin. (2·3 per cent. quina × 0·08 cinchonia. *Thiel.*)

*Prop.* Odour sweetish; taste bitter, but less austere than the bark; fracture rough, dull; colour deep brown.

*Oper.* The same as the bark in substance; and consequently it is used in the same cases; but with much less certainty of effect, owing to some chemical change produced on the drug during the boiling.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒss. dissolved in any distilled water. Formerly the dose of gr. x. was supposed to be equivalent to ʒss. of the bark powder; but Sir John Pringle's experiments first shewed that this opinion was unfounded; and the chemical analysis of the bark proves that the reverse is nearer the truth.

*It is kept both in a hard and soft state.*

(The two following extracts are prepared in the same manner as the extract of Heart leaved Cinchona.)

**EXTRACTUM CINCHONÆ LANCEFOLIÆ.** Extract of lance-leaved Cinchona Bark.

*Comp.* Chiefly kinate of cinchonia, a small portion of kinate of quina, and of lime, tannin, extractive, and mucilage. (Cinchonia 0·48 per cent. + 0·00 quina. *Geiger.*)

*Oper. and Use.* The same as the extract of cinchona cordifolia.

**EXTRACTUM CINCHONÆ OBLONGIFOLIÆ.** Extract of oblong-leaved Cinchona Bark.

*Comp.* More kinate of quina and less of cinchonia, than the lance-leaved cinchona bark. (Quina 1·7 per cent. + 0·08 cinchonia.)

*Oper. and Use.* The same as the other extracts of cinchona.

**EXTRACTUM COLCHICI CORMI.** Extract of the Bulb of Colchicum. To be prepared in the same manner as the extract of Aconite.

*Comp.* Gallate of colchicia, fecula, mucilage.

*Oper.* Purgative, narcotic.

*Use.* In gout and acute rheumatism.

*Dose.* Gr. j. to gr. ij. repeat. d every four hours.

**EXTRACTUM COLCHICI ACETICUM.** Acetic Extract of Colchicum. (*Colchici Cormi recentis* lb j., *Acidi Acetici* fʒ iij. Bruise the Cormus, gradually sprinkled with the acid, then express the juice, and evaporate in an earthen vessel not glazed with lead to a proper consistence.

*Comp.* Acetate of colchicia, fecula, mucilage.

*Oper.* Diuretic, narcotic.

*Use.* In gout, acute rheumatism, and diseases of excitement.



*Dose.* Gr. j. to gr. ij, twice or thrice a day.

*Incomp.* Alkalies and their carbonates, magnesia, lime water.

**EXTRACTUM COLOCYNTHIDIS.** Extract of Colocynth. (*Colocynthis concisa* ℞ j. *Aquæ distillatæ* cong. ij. Mix and Boil for six hours, with a slow fire, frequently adding distilled water, that it may always fill the same measure. Strain the liquor while hot, and evaporate to a proper consistence.)

*Comp.* Colocynth 14.4+extractive 10.0+fixed oil 4.2+resin 12.2+gummy matter 27.1+petic acid 7.9+5.7. Phosphates of lime and magnesia.

*Oper.* Cathartic, and mild in its operation, as it is not apt to occasion gripings.

*Use.* For evacuating the bowels; and as an adjunct to other purgatives.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to gr. xv. in pills at bed-time.

**EXTRACTUM COLOCYNTHIDIS COMPOSITUM.** Compound Extract of Colocynth. (*Colocynth con.* ℥vj. *Aloes Ext. pur.* ℥xij., *Scammon. cont.* ℥iv. *Cardamomi contrit.* ℥j. *Saponis* ℥iij. *Spiritus tenuioris*, cong. j. Macerate the pulp in the spirit at a gentle heat for four days, strain, add the Aloes and Scammony and Soap; then evaporate to a proper consistence, and towards the end add the Cardamoms.

*Oper.* Cathartic, stimulant.

*Use.* In obstinate visceral obstructions; habitual costiveness in leucophlegmatic habits; dropsies; worms.

*Dose.* Gr. vj. to gr. xv. in pills.

*Off. Prep.* *Enema Colocynthis.*

**EXTRACTUM CONII.** Extract of Hemlock. To be prepared in the same manner as the extract of Aconite.

*Comp.* Conia, extractive, mucilage, volatile oil, chlorophylle.

*Prop.* Odour fetid; taste bitterish and saline; colour dark olive; it loses its virtues when kept, and a saline efflorescence appears on its surface.

*Oper.* Narcotic, alterative, resolvent.

*Use.* In scrofula, schirrus, and cancer, particularly for allaying the pain of uterine cancer, without producing costiveness, as opium does; a useful addition to mercurial salts in cutaneous complaints.

*Dose.* Gr. iij. gradually increased to ℥j. twice or thrice a day.

*Off. Prep.* *Cutiplasm: Conii, Pil: Conii comp.*

**EXTRACTUM DIGITALIS.** Extract of Foxglove. To be prepared in the same manner as the Extract of Aconite.

*Comp.* Digitalia? resin, fatty matter, chlorophylle, salts of potassa, and lime.

*Oper.* Stimulant, narcotic, diuretic.

*Use.* In dropsies after the tension is diminished by blood-letting and other means; it is inferior to the tincture.

*Dose.* Gr. ss. to gr. j.

*Incomp.* Diacetate of lead, infusions and decoctions of astringent vegetable products, carbonates of alkalies.



**EXTRACTUM ELATERII.** Extract of Elaterium. Slice ripe wild Cucumbers, and strain the juice, very gently expressed, through a very fine hair sieve, then set it aside for some hours, until the thicker parts have subsided. The thinner supernatant part, being rejected, dry the thicker part with a gentle heat.

*Comp.* Elaterin 44+green resin 17+fecula 6+saline inert matters 6+lignin 27=100 parts.

*Oper.* Violently cathartic, hydragogue, sometimes emetic.

*Use.* In ascites, when other remedies have failed; and in very obstinate costiveness.

*Dose.* Gr. ss. made into a pill, with extract of gentian, every hour or two, till it operate; and this is repeated every third day till a cure be effected.\*

**EXTRACTUM GENTIANÆ.** Extract of Gentian. (*Gentian: Concise* thüss. *Aq. distill. serv.* C. ii. Macerate for twenty-four hours; then boil down to a gallon, and strain the liquor while yet hot, lastly evaporate to a proper consistence.

*Comp.* Gentiana, mucilage, sugar.

*Prop.* Inodorous, intensely bitter, black, shining, tenacious.

*Oper.* Tonic, stomachic; in large doses aperient.

*Use.* In dyspepsia, jaundice, &c., but it is chiefly used as a medium for giving the metallic oxides in the form of pills.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒss. twice or thrice a day.

*Off. Prep.* *Pilulæ Aloes Comp.*

**EXTRACTUM GLYCYRRHIZÆ.** Extract of Liquorice. Prepared the same as the extract of gentian.

*Prop.* Almost inodorous; taste sweet, mucilaginous; brittle.

*Oper.* Demulcent.

*Use.* In the tickling cough of catarrh it is perhaps the most useful of the demulcents, as it hangs about and sheaths the fauces.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒij. ad libitum.

*Off. Prep.* *Tinct. Aloetis.*

**EXTRACTUM HÆMATOXYLI.** Extract of Logwood. Prepared the same as the extract of Gentian.

*Prop.* Almost inodorous; taste sweet, austere; colour a deep reddish purple; soon hardens and becomes brittle.

*Oper.* Astringent.

*Use.* In diarrhœas, the protracted stage of dysentery, and internal hæmorrhages. It may be given ely terwise in solution.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. in pills, or dissolved in cinnamon water.

*Incomp.* Alkalies and their carbonates; magnesia, carbonate of lime.

**EXTRACTUM HYOSCYAMI.** Extract of Henbane. Prepared the same as the Extract of Aconite.

*Comp.* Hyoscyamia, albumen, gum, fecula, salts.

*Prop.* Odour slightly fœtid; taste nauseous; bitterish, sub-saline.

*Oper.* Narcotic.

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\* This substance is improperly termed an extract.

*Use.* In nervous affections, rheumatism, gout, chordees, obstinate ulcerations; and whenever it is required to allay pain, and avoid the costiveness which opium is apt to induce.

*Dose.* Gr. ij. to ℥ss. It has been increased to the extent of ℥j. twice a day.

*Incomp.* Astringent infusions and decoctions.

**EXTRACTUM JALAPÆ.** Extract of Jalap. (*Jalapæ Contritæ*. lbiiss. *Spir. Rect.* C. i. *Aq. distill.* C. ii. Macerate the Jalap Root in the Spirit for four days, and pour off the tincture. Boil down the residue in the water to half a gallon; afterwards strain the tincture and the decoction separately, and let the latter be evaporated and the former distil, until each thickens. Lastly, mix the extract with the Resin, and evaporate to a proper consistence.

This Extract should be kept *soft*, which may be fit to form pills, and *hard*, which may be rubbed to powder.

*Oper.* Cathartic, hydragogue.

*Use.* In costiveness, worms, dropsy, generally combined with soap or calomel.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ℥j. in pills. To children the hard extract is given triturated with sugar or testaceous powders.

*Off. Prep.* *Pulv. Scammonii Comp.*

**EXTRACTUM LACTUCÆ.** Prepared the same as the Extract of Gentian.

*Prop.* Odour narcotic like opium: taste bitter.

*Oper.* Narcotic, diaphoretic.

*Use.* In the same cases as opium; irritable gastric dyspepsia.

*Dose.* From Gr. iij. to gr. x. in the form of pills.

**EXTRACTUM LUPULI.** P. 1824. ——— *Humuli.* Extract of Hops. Prepared the same as the Extract of Gentian.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter, with the peculiar flavour of the hop.

*Oper.* Tonic, anodyne? diuretic.

*Use.* In gout, dyspepsia; and mania, to procure rest; but its virtues are very doubtful.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to ℥j. in pill.

**EXTRACTUM OPII PURIFICATUM.** P. 1824. ——— *Opii.* Purified Extract of Opium, (*Opii concisi* ℥xx., *Aquæ distillatæ* cong. j.) Add a little water to the opium and macerate for twelve hours, that it may soften, then, the remaining Water being poured in gradually, rub them until they are very well mixed, and set by that the dregs may subside; afterwards strain the liquor, and evaporate to a proper consistence.

*Comp.* Bimeconate of morphia, codeia, narcotina, narceia, sulphate of lime, gum, resin.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter; colour black; dissolved in water; it is not precipitated by alcohol.

*Oper.* Narcotic, anodyne, sedative, antispasmodic, with less subsequent derangement of the nervous system than crude opium occasions.

*Use.* In all cases in which opium is useful; and better fitted for children and very irritable habits.

*Dose.* Gr. ss. to gr. v. in pills.

*Incomp.* Solutions of astringent vegetables, carbonate of potash, bichloride of mercury, sulphate of copper, sulphate of zinc, acetate of lead, nitrate of silver, all of which precipitate this extract from its solution altered in its nature.

**EXTRACTUM PAPAVERIS.** Extract of White Poppy. (*Papaveris Cont. demptis seminibus* ℥xv. *Aq. distill. fervent.* Ci. Macerate for twenty-four hours then boil down to four pints, and strain the liquor while hot; lastly, evaporate to a proper consistence. *Extractum Papaveris Albi.*

*Comp.* Nearly the same as the extract of opium, with a smaller proportion of the alkaloids.

*Oper.* Narcotic, anodyne; without producing so generally delirium, headache, or nausea, as opium and its extract produce.

*Use.* As this extract possesses nearly the same virtues as opium only in a weaker degree, so it is employed in the same instances. It is to be preferred when the head is much affected.

*Dose.* Gr. ij. to ℥j. in form of pills.

*Incomp.* As under *Extractum Opii*.

**EXTRACTUM PAREIRÆ.** Extract of Pareira. Mode of preparation not given in the pharmacopæia.

**EXTRACTUM RHEI.** Extract of Rhubarb. (*Rhei contriti* ℥xv., *Spiritus tenuioris* Oj. *Aquæ distillatæ* Oviij. Macerate for four days with a gentle heat, and allow the dregs to subside, evaporate the liquor to a proper consistence.)

*Oper.* Purgative and stomachic; but as the extractive matter attracts oxygen in the humid state, and particularly when heated, much of the virtue of the medicine is destroyed in this preparation.

*Use.* In the same cases for which the powdered root is employed; but chiefly as a basis for pills to which more active matters are to be added.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ℥ss. in pills, or dissolved in peppermint water.

**EXTRACTUM SARZÆ.** P. 1824. — *Sarsaparillæ.* Extract of Sarsaparilla. Prepared in the same manner as the extract of Gentian.

*Oper.* The same as the powder of the root, to the decoction of which this extract is added, to render it stronger and more efficacious.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ℥j. in pills, or dissolved in the decoction.

**EXTRACTUM STRAMONII.** Extract of Stramonium. (*R. Seminorum Stramonis* ℥xv., *Aquæ distill. ferventis* Cong. j. Macerate for four hours in a vessel slightly covered, near the fire; then take them out, and bruise them in a stone mortar, and return them again to the fluid when they are bruised. Then boil the liquor down to four pints, and strain it while it is hot. Finally, evaporate it to a proper thickness.)



*Pron.* Odour narcotic; taste bitter.

*Use.* In asthma and other spasmodic affections.

*Dose.* From  $\text{ʒiij}$  to  $\text{ʒss}$ , in the form of pill, ~~twice or thrice a day~~

**EXTRACTUM TARAXACI.** Extract of Dandelion. Prepared the same as the extract of Gentian.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter, mucilaginous.

*Oper.* Deobstruent, laxative, diuretic.

*Use.* In jaundice, chronic inflammation, and incipient scirrhus of the liver, chronic derangements of the stomach, hypochondriasis, and dropsy.

*Dose.* Gr. iv. to  $\text{ʒj}$ . united with sulphate of potash.

**EXTRACTUM UVÆ URSI.** Extract of Whortleberry. Prepared the same as the extract of Gentian.

*Oper. and Use.* See decoction.

**FARINA.** Flour. (*Vide Amylum.*)

*Comp.* Gluten, starch, albumen, gum, phosphate of lime.

*Use.* The introduction of Flour into the Pharmacopœias seems to be unnecessary, as it is scarcely ever used in the state of flour, except to parts affected with erysipelatous inflammations; bread is used in making cataplasms; and sometimes in forming pills.

*Off. Prep.* Cataplasm, ferment.

**FERRUM.** Iron. *Ramenta et. Fila; Scobs.* (*Oxidi Squamæ*)

*Prop.* Colour bluish grey; texture fibrous; fracture brilliant and fine grained; sp. grav. 7.6 to 7.8; hard, ductile, malleable, magnetic, equivalent 28.

*Oper.* Tonic, deobstruent; anthelmintic; producing fœtid eructations when it takes effect, owing to its meeting with acid in the stomach, which oxidizes it, and evolves sulphuretted hydrogen gas.

*Use.* In general debility, dyspepsia, hysteria, chlorosis, worms, and in passive hæmorrhages. It can prove useful only when it is oxidized which is known by the eructations and black fæces.

*Dose.* Of the filings, gr. v. to  $\text{ʒj}$ . with some aromatic powder; or in the form of electuary with honey; or pills with extract of gentian.

*Off. Prep.* *Ferri Ammonio chloridum, Ferri Iodidum, Ferri Sulphas, Ferri-Potassio-Tartras, Ferri Sesquioxidum, Potassi Bromidum, Potass-Iodid.*

**FERRI AMMONIO CHLORIDUM.** P. 1824. *Ferrum Ammoniatum.* Ammonio Chloride of Iron. (*Ferri Sesquioxidum*  $\text{ʒiij}$ , *Acidi Hydrochlorici* Oss., *Ammonia Hydrochloratis* lbijss., *Aq. dist.* Oij.) Mix the sesquioxide of Iron with the Hydrochloric Acid in proper vessel, and digest them in a sand-bath for two hours; afterwards add the Hydrochlorate of Ammonia first dissolved in the distilled Water; strain and evaporate all the liquor. Lastly, rub, what remains to powder.

*Comp.* Hydrochlorate of ammonia, red hydrochlorate of iron.

*Prop.* Odour resembling saffron; taste styptic; deliquescent, soluble in alcohol.

*Oper.* Tonic, emmenagogue, aperient, attenuant.

*Use.* In epilepsy, hysteria, chlorosis, scrofula, rickets, and mesenteric obstructions; sometimes in cancer.

*Dose.* Gr. iij. to gr. xv. twice or thrice a day, in pills, with extract of gentian.

*Off. Prep.* *Tinctura Ferri Ammonio-chloridi.*

**FERRI PERCYANIDUM.** Prussian Blue.

*Use.* For the preparation of the bityanide of mercury.

**FERRI IODIDUM.** Iodide of Iron. (*Iodini* ʒvj., *Ferri Ramen-torum* ʒlj., *Aquæ distillatæ* Oivss. Mix the Iodine with Oiv. of the water, and add the iron. Heat in a sand bath, and pour off the fluid when it has acquired a greenish colour, wash what remains with the Oss. of boiling water. Evaporate the mixed fluids, filtered at 212°, in an iron vessel, till the salt is dry. Preserve the preparation in a well closed vessel, excluded from the light.)

*Prop.* In aggregates of needle-formed crystals, of an iron grey colour, very deliquescent; taste acrid, metallic. When exposed to the air it is decomposed, and sesquioxide of iron is deposited.

*Comp.* 1 eq. Iodine=125.3+1 iron=28+5 water 45, equiv. 199.3.

*Oper.* Tonic, emmenagogue, deobstruent.

*Use.* In all cases of debility, in scrofula, incipient cancer, amenorrhœa, secondary syphilis, mesenteric obstructions.

*Dose.* Gr. iij. to gr. viij. in solution.

**FERRI SESQUIOXIDUM.** P. 1824. ——— *Subcarbonas.* Sesquioxide of Iron. (Precipitated from Sulphate of Iron by Carbonate of Soda.) *Ferri Sulphas* lbiv. *Sodæ Carbon* lbiv. *et* ʒii. *Aq. fervent.* Cvi. Dissolve the sulphate of Iron and Carbonate of Soda separately, in three gallons of water; then the liquors being mixed together, set by that the powder may subside. Lastly, the supernatant liquor being poured off, wash what was precipitated in water, and dry it.

*Comp.* Sesquioxide of iron, carbonic acid.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste styptic; colour reddish-brown, insoluble in water.

*Oper.* Tonic, emmenagogue.

*Use.* It is advantageously employed in tiedouloureux, dyspepsia, chlorosis, chorea, and lately has been much recommended in cancer.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to ʒj. united with myrrh, bitter extracts, or some aromatic.

*Off. Prep.* *Ferri Ammonio-chloridum*, *Ferri Potassio-Tartras*, *Tinct. Ferri Sesquichloridi*, *Ferrum Ammoniatum*.

**FERRI SULPHAS.** Sulphate of Iron. (A protoxide, or at the minimum of oxidation.) *Ferrum Vitriolatum.* (R *Ferri. Ramen.* ʒviij. *Acid. Sulph.* fʒxiv. *Aq.* Oiv.) Mix the Sulphuric Acid with the Water, and add the Iron to them: then apply heat, and when bubbles have ceased to escape, strain the liquor, and set it aside that crystals may be formed. Evaporate the liquor poured off that it may again yield crystals. Dry them all.



*Comp.* 1 eq. oxide of iron=36+1, sulphuric acid=40·1+6, water of crystallization=54, equivalent of the crystallized salt=130·1.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste strong, styptic; crystals light green, transparent rhomboidal prisms; soluble in two parts water; effloresce in the air.

*Oper.* Tonic, emmenagogue; anthelmintic; in large doses emetic.

*Use.* In diseases of general debility, amenorrhœa, with a weak languid pulse; diabetes; in clysters against ascarides.

*Dose.* Gr. j. to gr. v. combined with myrrh, ammoniacum, and bitter extracts.

*Incomp.* The earths, chloride of calcium, chloride of barium, alkalies, and their carbonates, biboras sodæ, nitras argenti, acetas plumbi, soaps, tannin.

*Off. Prep.* *Pilulæ Ferri compositæ*, *Ferri Sesquioxidum*, *Mist. Ferri comp.*

**FERRI POTASSIO-TARTRAS.** P. 1824. ——— *Tartarizalum.* Tartarized Iron. (*Ferri Sesquioxidi* ʒiij., *Acidi Hydrochlorici* Oss., *Liq. Potassæ* Oivss. vel. q. s., *Potassæ Bitart.* ʒxxss., *Liq. Ammonicæ Sesquicarbonatis* ʒj., *Aquæ dist. Cong.* iij. Mix the Sesquioxide with the acid, and digest on a sand bath for two hours. Add two gallons of the water, and set aside for an hour; then pour off the fluid; and add the *Liq. Potassæ*. Wash the precipitate well, and boil with the bitartrate mixed in a gallon of water. Neutralize the solution with the solution of sesquicarbonate of ammonia; strain, and evaporate to dryness.)

*Comp.* 1 equiv., of sesquitartrate of iron=138·72+1, tartrate of potash=113·63, equiv.=252·35.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste styptic; very soluble in water.

*Oper.* Tonic, deobstruent.

*Use.* This is one of the mildest of the salts of iron; and so palatable, that children may be easily persuaded to take it. In scrofulous tumours, weakened bowels, &c.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒss. in powder, or bolus, mixed with any aromatic, or with columba.

*Incomp.* *Potassæ sulphuretum*, infusions of oak bark, galls, or other astringent vegetable.

**FICI Figs.** P. 1824. *Caricæ Fructus.* (*Ficus Carica*, *Polygam. Diœcia*, N. O. *Scabridæ*, *Urticæ*, J. *Persia*. ʒ.)

*Prop.* Taste sweet and mucilaginous.

*Oper.* Demulcent, suppurative.

*Use.* In pulmonary and other inflammatory diseases, in decoctions; in cynanche tonsillaris during suppuration, as a gargle. (*R Ficorum* ʒij., *aquæ fʒvj. coque et cola*;) in gum boils, roasted, then split and applied to the part.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoctum Hordei Comp.*, *Confectio Sennæ*.

**FCNICULUM.** P. 1824. *Feniculi Semina.* Fennel (*Feniculum vulgare*, *Labiatæ*.)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste warm, sweetish; fruit ovate.

*Oper.* Carminative, diuretic.

*Use.* In flatulencies.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj. bruised.



*Off. Prep.* *Aq. Fœniculi*, *Sp. Juniperi com.*; *Syrupus Sennæ*, *Conf. Piper: nigri*.

**GALBANUM.** P. 1824. ——— *Gummi Resina.* Galbanum (*Galbanum Officinale. Pentandria Digyn. N. O. Umbelliferæ. Cape of Good Hope. h.*.)

*Comp.* Resin, gummy extractive, volatile oil.

*Prop.* Odour fœtid; taste bitter, acid; the agglutinated tears of a white colour, in a ground of reddish-brown: forms an emulsion when triturated with water; soluble in proof spirit, wine, and vinegar. *Sp. grav.* 1.212.

*Oper.* Internally antispasmodic, deobstruent, expectorant; externally resolvent, discutient.

*Use.* In hysteria, particularly that which attends irregular and deficient menstruation; chlorosis; externally to indolent tumours.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. in pills, or emulsion.

*Off. Prep.* *Pilulæ Galbani Comp., Emplast. Galbani.*

**GALLÆ.** Galls, (*Quercus Infectoria, Dyer's Oak. For class and order, vide Quercus Cortex. Asia Minor. h.*.) The production of the wound of the ovipositor of the *Diplolepis Gallæ Tinctoriæ*.

*Comp.* Tannin 130, mucilage 12, gallic acid and extractive 31, calcareous earth and saline matter 12, insoluble matter 315 grains, in 500 of galls (*Dary*); but the goodness of the galls varies: these results; or, 18 eq. carbon=110.16+9 hydrogen=13 oxygen=96, equiv. 215.16.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste very austere and astringent; hard, ligneous, 4 to 12 lines in diameter, covered with tubercles; the colour of the best is blackish grey or blue: the unpierced are the best.

*Oper.* Powerfully astringent, tonic.

*Use.* They have been used in diarrhœa, intestinal hæmorrhagies, and intermittents; but they are principally employed in gargles and injections; and the powder to form an ointment for piles.

*Dose.* When exhibited internally, gr. x. to ʒj. twice or thrice a day.

*Incomp.* Lime water, potassæ subcarbonas, plumbi acetas, cupri sulphas, argenti nitras, ferri iodidum, ferri sulphas, antimonii potassio-tartras, hydrargyri nitras, hydrargyri bichloridum, infusum cinchonæ, solution of isinglass; all of which precipitate the infusion of galls.

*Off. Prep.* *Unguent: Gallæ Comp., Tinct. Gallæ.*

**GENTIANA.** P. 1824. *Gentianæ Radix.* Gentian (*Pentandria Digyn. N. O. Gentianæ. Mountains of Europe. 4.*.)

*Prop.* Almost inodorous; extremely bitter; externally brown, wrinkled; internally yellow, spongy; flexible; virtues yielded to ether, alcohol, and water.

*Comp.* Gentiana, extractive, gum.

*Oper.* Tonic, stomachic, in large doses aperient; antiseptic.

*Use.* In dyspepsia; hysteria; jaundice; gout, united with aromatics; chlorosis, with chalybeates; and dropsies, with squill and neutral salts. Externally in putrid ulcers.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒij. *Vide Infusion, &c.*

*Off. Prep.* *Extractum Gentianæ, Infus. Gent. Comp., Tinct. Gent. Comp., Mist; Gent: Comp.*

**GLYCYRRHIZA.** P. 1824. *Glycyrrhizæ Radix.* Liquorice. *Dicelphia Decand.* N. O. *Leguminosæ.* South of Europe. 4.) Should be three years old.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste sweet, mucilaginous, leaving, when unpeeled, a degree of bitterness in the mouth; flexible; cuticle brown.

*Oper.* Demulcent.

*Use.* In catarrh; but it is generally combined with other mucilages, and is a pleasant and useful demulcent.

*Dose.* Of the powder 3 ss. to 3 j.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoct. Aloet. Comp., Tinct. Al. Comp., Tinct. Rhei. comp., Decoct. Sarzæ. comp., Infusum Lini. Comp., Ext. Glycyrrhizæ, Confectio Sennæ, Pil. Hydrargyri.*

**GRANATUM.** P. 1824. *Granati Cortex.* Pomegranate (*Icosandria Monogyn.* N. O. *Pomaceæ.* South of Europe. 5.) *Balaustrium.*

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter, styptic; strike a permanent blue with sulphate of iron; virtues yielded to water.

*Oper.* Astringent.

*Use.* In chronic and colliquative diarrhœas, and the protracted stage of dysentery; but chiefly externally, as an injection in leucorrhœa, and gargles in angina.

*Dose.* In substance 3 ss. to 3 j. of a decoction f 3 ss., every three hours.

*Incomp.* Sulphate of iron, iodide of iron, nitrate of silver, acetate of lead.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoct. Granati.*

**GUAIACI RESINA ET LIGNUM.** Guaiacum Resin and Wood. *Guaiacum.*

*Prop.* Odour slightly fragrant; taste warm and bitter, the resin more so than the wood. The resin is concrete, brittle; colour externally greenish, internally greyish; water dissolves about one-tenth, alcohol 95 parts in 100; soluble also in liquor potassæ 15 parts, in liquor ammonia 38 parts. The powder is whitish, but changes to green in the air.

*Oper.* Stimulant, diaphoretic; in large doses purgative.

*Use.* In chronic rheumatism, gout, cutaneous diseases, and the sequela of leus venerea.

*Dose.* To produce its first effect gr. v. to ʒj. in pills, or in emulsion made with mucilage or yolk of egg; to purge, gr. xv. to ʒij. in the same form.

*Incomp.* The mineral acids.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoct. Sarzæ. comp., Mist. Guaiaci, Tinct. Guaiaci, T. Guaiaci, Comp., Pulvis Aloes comp., Pil. Hyd. Chlor. Com.*

†† It is often adulterated with machineel gum; to discover which, add to the alcoholic solution a few drops of sweet spirit of nitre, and dilute with water; the guaiac is precipitated while the adulteration floats.

**HÆMATOXYLUM.** P. 1824. *Hæmatoxyli Lignum.* Log Wood. (*Decand. Monogyn.* N. O. *Leguminosæ.* America. 6.)



**Prop.** Almost inodorous; taste sweetish, sub-astringent: colour deep red; firm, heavy. Its virtues extracted both by water and alcohol; (colouring principle *hematin*.)

**Oper.** Astringent, tonic.

**Use.** In the protracted stage of diarrhoea and dysentery, under the form of decoction. ℞ of the shavings ʒj., water ʒij. Boil to ʒj., and strain.

**Dose.** fʒj. and fʒij. every three or four hours.

**Incomp.** The mineral acids, acetic acid, solutions of alum, sulphate of iron and of copper, acetate of lead, antimonii potassio-tartras.

**Off. Prep.** *Ext. Hæmatoxyli*.

**HELLEBORUS.** P. 1824. *Hellebori Nigri Radix.* Hellebore. (*Helleborus Officinalis. Polyandria Polygynia*, N. O. *Ranunculaceæ. Austria.* ʒ.)

**Prop.** Odour disagreeable; taste bitter, acrid, benumbing the mouth, impaired by drying and keeping.

**Oper.** Cathartic, hydragogue, emmenagogue.

**Use.** In mania and melancholia, dropsy, and in suppression of the menses in plethoric habits; but it may be questioned whether it is equal to jalap, &c., and is seldom got genuine.

**Dose.** Gr. x. ʒj. purge strongly; to produce its other effects, gr. ij. to gr. iij. three times a day. Seldom used in substance.

**Off. Prep.** *Tinct. Helleb.*

**HIRUDO MEDICINALIS.** The Leech. (*C. Vermes, O. Helmintheca*.)

**Prop.** Body oblong, flattish; colour on the back olive green, with four longitudinal stripes; the two central yellow, broken with black; two lateral yellow, entire: two intermediate black, and yellow chain; on the belly turkey blue, maculated with yellow: mouth and bite triangular; anal extremity a circular sucker.

**Use.** In every species of local inflammation, except the erysipelatous. The best mode of making them bite is to clean the part well with soap and water, then to dry it, and before applying the leech, to allow it to dry itself by crawling on a clean cloth; or the part may be scratched with the point of the lancet; the Native leech-women in the Deccan cover the part with muddy water. Leeches will not bite when casting their skins, which they often change.

**HORDEUM.** P. 1824. *Hordei Semina* Pearl barley. (*Triand Digyn. N. O. Graminaceæ. The river Tamara.* ☉.) *Semina tunicis nudata.*

**Prop.** Taste sweetish, viscid; granules roundish, of a pearly whiteness; consists almost entirely of starch.

**Use.** Vide Decoctum. As it is apt to get musty, Barley should always be washed before it is made into decoction.

**Off. Prep.** *Decoctum Hordei.*

**HYDRARGYRUM.** Quicksilver. Mercury. (In its metallic state uncombined.) *Hydrargyrum.*

**Prop.** Fluid above 39° below zero, and under 656° of Fahr.; bright shining, of a silvery whiteness; spec. grav. when liquid 13,568 (*Cavendish*). Easily oxidized, equivalent 202.



*Oper.* Metallic quicksilver does not act on the body, even when taken into the stomach; oxidized, and combined with acids, it acts powerfully.

*Use.* It has been exhibited in constriction of the bowels, and intussusception, but from a mistaken notion that it would pass through the bowels by its gravity.

*Off. Prep.* *Pil. Hydrarg.*, *Empl. Amm. C. Hydrarg.*, *Emp. Hydrarg.*, *Hyd. C. Creta.*, *Hdrarg. Nit. Oxydum.* *Hyd. Chlorid.*, *Hyd. Bichlo.*, *Hyd. Iodid.*, *Hyd. Bromid.*, *Hyd. Bisulphur*, *Hyd. Sulp. C. Sulphur*

**HYDRARGYRI NITRICO-OXYDUM.** Nitric Oxide of Mercury. (A Peroxide, probably containing some undecomposed acid.) *Hydrargyrus Nitratus Ruber.* (*Hydrarg. Riii. Acid. Nit. Ibiss. Aq. distill. Oii.*). Mix them in a proper vessel and apply a gentle heat until the mercury is dissolved. Boil down the liquor; and rub what remains to powder. Put this into another very shallow vessel, then apply a slow fire, and gradually increase it until red vapour ceases to arise.

*Comp.* Quicksilver 82, oxygen 18 parts in 100; or 1 eq. mercury =  $202 + 2$  oxygen = 16. equiv. = 218: when well prepared.

*Prop.* Small bright red shining plates; insoluble.

*Oper.* Stimulant, escharotic.

*Use.* In the proportion of gr. ss. to sugar gr. iv. it is blown into the eye to remove specks on the cornea; applied to chancres and foul ulcers, to cleanse and stimulate them, either sprinkled on the part in fine powder, or united with lard into an ointment.

*Off. Prep.* *Unguentum Hydrargyri Nitrico-Oxydi.*

**HYDRARGYRI OXIDUM.** P. 1824. ————— *Cinereum* (*Hydrarg. Chloridi. 3j. Liq. Calcis. Ci.* Mix and frequently shake them. Set by, and when the oxyde has subsided, pour off the liquor; lastly, wash it in distilled water until nothing alkaline can be perceived, and dry it in the air wrapped in bibulous paper.

*Comp.* Quicksilver 90.16, oxygen 3.84. in 100 parts; or 1 eq. mercury =  $202 + 1$  oxygen = 8, equiv. = 210.

*Prop.* Colour grey; insoluble.

*Oper.* Stimulant, antisymphilitic.

*Use.* This preparation is not apt to disorder the stomach and bowels, and is therefore often preferred in curing venereal complaints.

*Dose.* Gr. j. to iij. in a pill twice a day.

**HYDRARGYRI BINOXYDUM.** P. 1824. ————— *Oxydum Rubrum.* Bin or red Oxide of Mercury. (*Hydrarg. Bichloridi. 3iv. Liq. Potassæ f3 xxviiij., Aq. dist. 0vj.*;) dissolve the Bichloride in the water; strain and add the solution of Potash. Wash the powder thrown down in distilled water until nothing alkaline can be perceived, and dry it with gentle heat.

*Comp.* Quicksilver 92.6, oxygen 7.4 in 100 parts; or 1 eq. mercury =  $202 + 2$  oxygen = 16, equiv. 218.

*Prop.* Small crystalline scales, of a deep red colour, brilliant; soluble in some of the acids without decomposing them.

*Oper.* Stimulant, escharotic, antisymphilitic; in large doses violently emetic.

*Use.* Owing to the violence of its operation, it is now seldom given internally, except when other mercurials fail. It is principally used as an escharotic, in the same manner as the nitric oxide.

*Dose.* Gr. ss. to gr. j. in a pill with opium gr. ss. every night and morning:—gr. iv. act as a violent emetic.

**HYDRARGYRI BICHLORIDUM.** P. 1824. ——— *Ozymurias.* Bichloride of Mercury. *Hydrargyrus Muriatus.* (*Hydrarg.* lbii. *Acidi. Sulph.* lbiiij. *Sodii. Chlor.* lbiss. Boil the mercury with the Sulphuric Acid in a proper vessel, until the Biper-sulphate of mercury remains dry; rub this when it is cold with the Chloride of Sodium in an earthen mortar; then sublime with a heat gradually raised.

*Comp.* Peroxide of mercury 79.42; acid 20.58; or chlorine 26.48, mercury 73.52 in 100 parts; or, 1 eq. mercury = 202 + 2 eq. of chlorine = 70.84, equiv. = 272.84. Spec. grav. 5.200.

*Prop.* Taste acid, styptic, metallic, durable; a white compact semi-transparent mass of prismatic crystals; soluble in 11 parts of water at 60°, in 3.8 of alcohol; partially decomposed in solution by light. It is soluble in ether, hydrochloric acid, and the solution of hydrochlorate of ammonia.

*Oper.* Stimulant, antisymphilitic, alterative.

*Use.* In venereal complaints, with the greatest advantage, when a quick and general action is required; but its effects are often not permanent. In lepra, combined with antimonials; and in chronic rheumatism. Dissolved in the proportion of gr. iij. to water 0j. as a gargle in venereal sore-throats; and a little stronger we have found it useful as a gargle in breaking the abscess in cyanche tonsillaris. It is applied externally to tetter, and for destroying fungus; gr. iv. in water 0j. is a good wash in scabies. It may be given clysterways, when the stomach will not bear it.

*Dose.* Gr. 1-6th to gr. ss. made into a pill, with extract of poppies, one in twenty-four hours. When swallowed as a poison, the best antidote is white of egg. (*Orfila.*)

*Incomp.* Vide *Liquor Hyd. Bichloridi.*

*Off. Prep.* *Liquor Hydrargyri Bichloridi, Hydrargyri, Binoxidum, Hydrargyri Ammonio-chloridum.*

**HYDRARGYRI CHLORIDUM.** P. 1720. *Calomelas.* P. 1824. ——— *Submurias.* Chloride of Mercury, or Calomel. (*A* Protochloride by sublimation.) (*Hydrarg.* lbiv. *Acid. Sulph.* lbiii. *Sodii Chlorid.* lbiss. *Aq. distill. q. s. s.*) Boil two pounds of the Mercury with the Sulphuric Acid in a proper vessel, until the Bipersulphate of Mercury remains dry; rub this when it is cold with two pounds of Mercury in an earthen mortar, that they may be perfectly mixed. Then add the Chloride of Sodium, and rub them together, until globules are no longer visible; then sublime. Rub the sublimate to very fine powder, and wash it carefully with boiling distilled water and dry it.

*Comp.* Quicksilver 79, oxygen 9.5, hydrochloric acid 11.5; or chlorine 15.25, mercury 84.75, in 100 parts: or, 1 eq. mercury = 202 + 1 chlorine = 35.42, equiv. = 237.42.



*Prop.* Inodorous, nearly insipid; requiring 1152 parts of water at  $212^{\circ}$  for its solution; formed in a compact, hard, shining, striated cake, which by pulverization and levigation is reduced to an impalpable, ivory-coloured powder; sp. grav. 7.175.

*Oper.* Antysiphilitic, alterative; in large doses purgative.

*Use.* In venereal diseases and chronic hepatitis, combined with opium; in scrofula with ciouta; in convulsive affections with opium, camphor, assafoetida &c.; in dropsies with squill, foxglove, and elaterium; and in rheumatisms and lepra with antimonials, guaiacum, and other sudorifics. As a purgative in any case not attended with intestinal inflammation; generally united with other purgatives.

*Dose.* Gr. j. to ij. night and morning in a pill—if it do not purge, gradually excites pyalism; gr. iij. to gr. x. purge. Children bear larger doses than adults.

*Incomp.* Nitric and hydrochloric acids, alkalies, and their carbonates, lime water, soaps, sulphurets, iron, lead, copper. The bicarbonates of the alkalies do not decompose it.

*\*\* I am inclined to think that, for practical purposes, the name Calomelas, however unchemical, is properly retained by the Dublin College.*

*Off. Prep.* ~~Ungt. Hyd.~~ ~~Ungt. Bi-Hyd.~~ ~~Ungt. Iod.~~

*HYDRARGYRI SULPHURETUM CUM SULPHURE.* P. 1824.

*Nigrum.* Sulphuret of Mercury with Sulphur. (Hydrarg., Sulphuris  $\bar{a}$   $\bar{a}$   $\bar{b}$ j. Rub them together until the globules disappear.)

*Comp.* 58 parts bisulphate of mercury + 42 of sulphur in 100 parts.

*Oper.* Alterative.

*Use.* In scrofula, and cutaneous diseases.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to 3ss.

*HYDRARGYRI BISULPHURETUM.* P. 1824 ——— *Sulphu: Ru-*

*brum.* Bi-sulphuret of Mercury. (Quicksilver combined with sulphur.) (R Hydr. lbij. Sulphurs  $\bar{z}$ v.) Mix the mercury with the sulphur melted over the fire; and, as soon as the mass swells, remove the vessel from the fire and cover it strongly lest inflammation should occur; then rub to powder and sublime.

*Comp.* Quicksilver unoxidized 86.2 sulphur 13.8 pts. in 100; or 2 eq. of sulphur = 32.2 + 1 mercury = 202. equiv. = 234.2.

*Prop.* Inodorous, insipid, colour a rich deep red; insoluble in water and alcohol.

*Oper.* Antisyphilitic.

*Use.* As a fumigation against venereal ulcers of the nose, mouth, and throat; 3ss, being thrown on a red-hot iron. It has also been used in cutaneous complaints and gouty affections; but it is at best an uncertain remedy.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to 3ss. in an electuary or a bolus.

*HYDRARGYRI BICYANIDUM.* Bicyanide of Mercury. (*Ferris* *Percyanidi*  $\bar{z}$ vjii. *Hydrargyri Binoxidi*  $\bar{z}$ x., *Aq. dist.* Oiv. boil for



half an hour, strain and evaporate to form crystals.) Wash what remains frequently with boiling distilled water, and again evaporate the mixed liquors that crystals may be formed.

*Comp.* 1 eq. of mercury=202+2 eq. of cyanogen=52.73, equiv.=254.78.

*Prop.* Crystals right square prisms, inodorous, taste metallic, more soluble in water than in alcohol, soluble in nitric acid without decomposition.

*Oper.* Excitant, and alterative.

*Uses.* Rarely employed as a medicine; chiefly used for making Hydrocyanic Acid.

*Off. Prep.* *Acidum Hydrocyanicum.*

**HYDRARGYRI IODIDUM.** Iodine of Mercury. (*Hydrargyri* 3j *Iodini* 3v. *Alcoholis* q. s.) Rub the Mercury and Iodine together, adding the alcohol gradually, until globules are no longer visible. Dry the powder immediately with a gentle heat without the access of light, and keep it in a well-stopped vessel.

*Comp.* 1 eq. mercury=202+1 iodine=126.3, eq.=328.3.

*Prop.* A greenish-yellow powder readily decomposed by heat; inodorous, taste strongly metallic.

*Oper.* Excitant, alterative.

*Use.* In strumous affections and lepra: as an external application.

*Dose.* Gr. ¼ to gr. ij.

*Off. Prep.* *Ungt. Hydr. Iodidi. Pil. Hydr. Iodidi.*

**HYDRARGYRI BINIODIDUM.** Biniodide of mercury (*Hydrargyri* 3j. *Iodini* 3x., *Alcoholis* q. s.) Rub the mercury and Iodine together, adding the Alcohol gradually, until globules are no longer visible. Dry the powder with a gentle heat, and keep it in a well stopped vessel.

*Comp.* 1 eq. mercury=202+2 iodine=252.6, equiv. 44.6.

*Prop.* A scarlet-red powder subliming in rhombic scales; insoluble in water; soluble in alcohol.

*Use, and Dose.* The same as the Iodine.

*Off. Prep.* *Ungt. Hydr. Biniodi.*

**HYDRARGYRUM CUM CRETA.** Mercury with Chalk. *Hydrargyri* 3iii. *cretæ prep.* 3v., Rub them together until the globules no longer appear. (A Protoxide, formed by trituration with carbonate of lime).

*Comp.* Very uncertain, depending on the degree of trituration. Fourcroy states it to contain 4-100th of oxygen.

*Prop.* Inodorous, insipid; colour grey.

*Oper.* Alterative, antisymphilitic?

*Use.* In porrigo, and other cutaneous affections; and in venereal complaints its operation is so slow and weak as to merit no attention. This is by far the best preparation of Mercury for children; 1 gr. to iij, united with Rhubarb, Magnesia, and James' Powder acts as a most beneficial purgative, at the same time as it corrects the green sour motions which are so common in infancy.

**Dose.** Gr. i. to gr. x. twice a day, in any viscid substance.

**Comp.** Acids and acidulous salts.

**HYDRARGYRI AMMONIO-CHLORIDUM.** P. 1824 ——— *Precipitatum Album.* Ammonio-chloride, or White Precipitated Mercury. (A Peroxide, combined with hydrochloric acid and ammonia, forming a triple salt. (*Hydrarg. Bichloridi* ʒvi., *Aq. distill.* ʒvi. *Liq. Ammoniae* fʒviii.) Dissolve the Bichloride of Mercury, with the application of heat, in the water. To this when it is cold add the solution of Ammonia frequently stirring, wash the powder thrown down until it is free from taste; lastly, dry it.

**Comp.** Oxide of mercury 81, hydrochloric acid 16, ammonia 3 parts; or 1 eq. binoxide of mercury=218+1 bichloride of mercury=272-84 +2 ammonia=34-30, equiv.=525-14.

**Prop.** Inodorous, tasteless, snowy white, ponderous, insoluble in water; it does not become black when triturated with lime water; but with potassa becomes yellow.

**Oper.** Detergent.

**Use.** As an external application, united with lard, in scabies, and some other cutaneous affections.

**Off. Prep.** *Ung. Hydrargyri Ammonio-chloridi.*

**HYOSCYAMI FOLIA ET SEMINA.** Henbane Leaves and Seeds (*Hyoscyamus Niger.* *Pentand. Monogyn.* N. O. *Solanæ.* Europe. ♂.)

**Prop.** Odour narcotic, peculiar; not unlike tobacco when bruised; taste insipid, mucilaginous; lost by drying; virtues yielded to proof spirit.

**Oper.** Narcotic, anodyne, antispasmodic, slightly stimulant.

**Use.** In epilepsy, hysteria, palpitation, palsy, mania, and scirrhus, as a substitute for opium to procure sleep in nervous habits: externally as a cataplasm in cancer and glandular swellings; or in fine powder sprinkled on cancerous sores, to allay pain.

**Dose.** Gr. iij. to gr. x. of the powder; but generally the extract is preferred.

**Off. Prep.** *Extractum Hyoscyami, Tinctura Hyoscyami.*

**INFUSUM ANTHEMIDIS.** Infusion of Chamomile. (*Anthemidis* ʒv., *Aq. distill. Fervent.* ʒj. Macerate for ten minutes in a covered vessel, and strain.)

**Prop.** The odour and taste of the flowers.

**Oper.** Tonic; emetic when taken warm.

**Use.** The cold infusion in dyspepsia, hysteria, and other complaints attended with debility of the stomach; the warm is employed either alone to excite gentle vomiting, or to assist the operation of other emetics.

**Dose.** fʒj. to fʒij.

**Incomp.** Isinglass; infusion of yellow cinchona; solutions of sulphate of iron, nitrate of silver, bichloride of mercury, acetates of lead.

**INFUSUM ARMORACIÆ COMPOSITUM.** Compound Infusion of Horse Radish. (*Armor. concisæ, Sinapis contusi sing.* ʒj., *Spi-*



*ritus Armoracæ comp.*, f̄j. *Aquæ distill. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate for two hours in a covered vessel, then strain, and add the Spir. Armoracæ Comp.)

*Prop.* Little odour, mawkish, acrid taste.

*Oper.* Stimulant, diuretic.

*Use.* In paralysis, scorbutus, chronic rheumatism, and dropsies occurring after intermittents.

*Dose.* f̄j. to f̄ij. three or four times a day.

*Incomp.* Carbonates of alkalies, bichloride of mercury, nitrate of silver, infusions of galls, and of cinchona.

**INFUSUM AURANTII COMPOSITUM.** Compound Infusion of Orange Peel. (*Aurant. Cort. sic.* ʒiv., *Limon. Cort. recent.* ʒij., *Caryophyll. contus.* ʒj., *Aq. distill. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate for fifteen minutes in a covered vessel, and strain.)

*Oper.* Tonic, stomachic, stimulant, carminative.

*Use.* In dyspepsia, particularly that of drunkards; flatulent colic; in gout, united with absorbents; and the debility which follows acute diseases.

*Dose.* f̄jss. to f̄ij. every four hours.

*Incomp.* Sulphas ferri, acetas plumbi, infusion of yellow cinchona bark, lime water.

**INFUSUM CALUMBÆ.** Infusion of Columba. (*Calumbæ concisæ* ʒv., *Aq. distill. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate for two hours in a lightly covered vessel and strain.)

*Prop.* Odour and taste of the root; mucilaginous. It soon spoils.

*Oper.* Tonic without stimulating; antiseptic.

*Use.* In dyspepsia; and cholera, the vomiting of which it checks; in bilious remittent fever; to check the nausea and vomiting of pregnancy; and the severe diarrhoea and vomiting often attending dentition; in the hectic of phthisis, to correct acrimony and strengthen the digestion; and in the low state of puerperal fever.

*Dose.* f̄jss. to f̄ij. three or four times a day.

*Incomp.* Antimonii potassio-tartras, hydrargyri bichloridum, nitras argenti, acetas plumbi; infusion of cinchona.

**INFUSUM CARYOPHYLLI.** Infusion of Cloves. (*Caryophyll. contus.*, ʒij., *Aq. distill. Fervent.* 0j. Macerate in a covered vessel for two hours, and strain.)

*Prop.* Odour fragrant; taste warm, aromatic; colour red.

*Oper.* Stimulant, tonic, stomachic.

*Use.* In atonic gout, when the stomach is affected, and flatulent colic.

*Dose.* f̄jss. to f̄ij. three or four times a day.

*Incomp.* Sulphas ferri; sulphas zinci; antimonii potassio-tartras; nitras argenti; acetas plumbi; infusion of cinchona.

**INFUSUM CASCARILLÆ.** Infusion of Cascarella. (*Cascarillæ cont.* ʒiss., *Aq. distill. Fervent.* 0j. Macerate for two hours in a covered vessel, and strain.)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste bitter and aromatic.

*Oper.* Tonic, stomachic.



*Use.* In alvine fluxes, particularly after measles; in the aphtha gangrenosa of children.

*Dose.* fʒjss. to fʒij. twice or thrice a day.

*Incomp.* Infusions of galls, and yellow cinchona; lime water; solutions of sulphate of iron, nitrate of silver, acetates of lead.

**INFUSUM CATECHU COMPOSITUM.** Compound Infusion of Catechu. (*Catechu Extracti* Cont. ʒvj., *Cinnam contusi* ʒj., *Aq. distill. Fervent.* 0j. Macerate for an hour, and strain.) *Infusum Catechu.*

*Oper.* Astringent, stomachic.

*Use.* In diarrhœa from a laxity of the bowels.

*Dose.* fʒjss. to fʒij., every three hours, or after every loose stool.

*Incomp.* Tartar emetic, sulphate of iron, sulphate of zinc, solution of isinglass, infusion of cinchona, the strong acids, bichloride of mercury.

**INFUSUM CINCIONÆ.** Infusion of Cinchona. (*Cinch. Lancifoliz* Cort. contusi ʒj., *Aq. distill. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate for six hours, and strain.)

*Prop.* The peculiar aromatic flavour and bitterness of the bark employed.

*Oper.* Tonic, stomachic.

*Use.* In dyspepsia; and convalescence.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒij. united with some aromatic tincture, or a mineral acid, three or four times a day,

*Incomp.* Tartar emetic, sulphates of iron and zinc, nitrate of silver, and bichloride of mercury, acetates of lead. Decoction of galls, lime water, carbonates of alkalies, and infusions of almost all the vegetable bitters.

**INFUSUM CUSPARIÆ.** Infusion of Cusparia. (*Cuspariz contusi* ʒv., *Aq. distill. Fervent.* 0j. Macerate for two hours, and strain.)

*Prop.* Almost inodorous; taste bitter, and slightly aromatic.

*Oper.* Tonic, antiseptic.

*Use.* In febrile diseases, obstinate bilious diarrhœa, and dysentery, after proper evacuations.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒij. three or four times a day.

*Incomp.* Infusion of galls and of catechu; tartar emetic; sulphates of iron and of zinc; nitrate of silver, bichloride of mercury, acetates of lead.

**INFUSUM DIGITALIS.** Infusion of Foxglove. (*Digitalis Fol. exsiccat.* ʒj. *Spir. Cinnamomi* ʒj., *Aq. distill. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate the Foxglove in the water for four hours, strain, and add *Spir. Cinnam.*)

*Prop.* Inodorous, taste bitter and nauseous.

*Oper.* Diuretic, sedative.

*Use.* In dropsies, humoral asthmas, phthisis pulmonalis: and in diseases of increased action.

*Dose.* fʒss. to fʒj. every eight or ten hours, till it affects the kidneys, the pulse, stomach, or bowels; and then stopped. Its operation is very uncertain.

*Incomp.* Sulphas ferri, acetas plumbi; infusion of yellow cinchona.

**INFUSUM DIOSMÆ.** Infusion of Buchu. (*Foliorum Diosmæ cr-nate* ℥j., *Aquæ Ferrentis* 0j. Macerate for four hours, in a vessel lightly covered and strain through cloth.)

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste slightly bitter, aromatic; and cooling, resembling peppermint.

*Oper.* Stimulant, diuretic, and tonic.

*Use.* In chronic inflammation of the mucous membrane of the bladder.

*Dose.* f℥jss. to f℥ij. twice or thrice a day.

**INFUSUM GENTIANÆ COMPOSITUM.** Compound Infusion of Gentian. (*Gentianæ Rad. concise, Aurantii Cort. exsic. sing.* ℥ij. *Limonis Cort. recent.* ℥iv., *Aq. distill. Ferv.* 0j.) Macerate for one hour in a vessel lightly covered and strain.

*Oper.* Tonic, stomachic.

*Use.* In dyspepsia and chlorosis, united with chalybeates, or with alkalies; diarrhœa and gout, with absorbents and aromatic tinctures; and in dropsy, with squill and neutral salts.

*Dose.* f℥ss. to f℥ij. three times a day.

*Incomp.* Acetates of lead, sulphate of iron.

*Off. Prep. Mist. Gentian: comp.*

**INFUSUM KRAMERIÆ.** Infusion of Rhatany. (*Krameria* ℥j., *Aquæ dist. ferv.* 0j. Macerate for four hours in a covered vessel and strain.)

*Prop.* Earthy odour, taste powerfully astringent.

*Oper.* Tonic, astringent.

*Use.* In chronic diarrhœa; as a gargle in relaxation of the uvula.

*Dose.* f℥iss. to f℥ij.

**INFUSUM LINI COMPOSITUM.** Compound Infusion of Linseed *Lin. Sem. contus.* ℥vj. *Glycyrrh. con.* ℥ij., *Aq. distill. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate for four hours near the fire, and strain.)

*Prop.* Inodorous, sweetish, mucilaginous.

*Oper.* Demulcent.

*Use.* In catarrh, pneumonic affections, strangury, gonorrhœa; and after operations on the urethra or the bladder.

*Dose.* A teacupful ad libitum.

*Incomp.* Alcohol, acetates of lead.

**INFUSUM LUPULI.** Infusion of Hop. (*Lupuli* ℥vj., *Aq. dist. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate for four hours, and strain.)

*Prop.* Taste aromatic, bitter, odour agreeable.

*Oper.* Tonic, slightly narcotic.

*Dose.* f℥j. to f℥ij.

**INFUSUM PAREIRÆ.** Infusion of Pareira. (*Pareiræ* ℥vi. *Aq. distill. Fervent.* 0j. Macerate for two hours in a lightly covered vessel and strain.)

*Oper.* Slightly tonic, diuretic.

*Dose.* f℥jss. to f℥ij. The extract is usually added to the infusion.

**INFUSUM QUASSIÆ.** Infusion of Quassia. (*Quassiæ concisæ* ℥ij., *Aq. distill. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate for two hours, and strain.)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste a very pure bitter; limpid; possessing an astringency.

*Oper.* Tonic, antiseptic.

*Use.* In bilious fevers, united with alkaline salts; hysteria, with camphor and tincture of valerian; gout, with aromatics and ginger; and in dyspepsia with sulphate of zinc, or with mineral acids.

*Dose.* f̄j. to f̄iv. twice or thrice a day.

*Incomp.* Acetas plumbi, nitras argenti.

**INFUSUM RHEI.** Infusion of Rhubarb, (*Rhei concisi* ʒij. *Aq. distill. Ferv.* ʒj. Macerate for two hours in a covered vessel and strain.)

*Prop.* Odour fragrant like that of the root; taste bitter, and aromatic; limpid, red-yellow; not so astringent as the root.

*Oper.* Purgative, stomachic.

*Use.* In costiveness; and, united with ginger and aromatics, in diarrhoeas from weakness of the bowels.

*Dose.* f̄j. to f̄iv. united with neutral salts; f̄ss. with tinct. of cinnamon, where its stomachic effect only is required.

*Incomp.* Solution of isinglass, infusion of yellow cinchona, all the strong acids, nitrate of silver bichloride of mercury, acetates of lead, sulphate of iron, tartar emetic, magnesia,

**INFUSUM ROSÆ COMPOSITUM.** Compound Infusion of Rose. (*Rosæ Gallicæ exsicc.* ʒij. *Aquæ distill. Ferventis* ʒj. *Acidi Sulp. dilut.* f̄jss. *Sacch. Purif.* ʒvi. After pouring the water on the petals, in a glass vessel, add the acid, and macerate for 6 hours; then strain, and add the sugar.)

*Prop.* Odour of the rose; taste slightly austere, acid, and sweet.

*Oper.* Sub-astringent, refrigerant.

*Use.* In the colliquative sweats of phthisis; and with additional acid and some nitre, in uterine and pulmonary hæmorrhages, topically as a gargle in cynanche tonsillaris. The infusion is an elegant vehicle for many active remedies, particularly sulphate of magnesia the nauseous taste of which it covers.

*Dose.* f̄jss. to ʒss. every three or four hours.

*Incomp.* Sulphates of iron and zinc, alkalies, earths.

**INFUSUM SCOPARII.** Infusion of Broom. (*Scoparii* ʒj. *Aq. dist. Ferv.* ʒj. Macerate for four hours, and strain.)

*Oper.* Aperient, diuretic.

*Dose.* ʒjss. to ʒij.

**INFUSUM SENNÆ COMPOSITUM.** Compound Infusion of Senna (*Sennæ* ʒxv. *Zingiberis, con.* ʒiv. *Aq. distill. Ferv.* ʒj. Macerate for an hour in a covered vessel, and strain.) *Infusum Sennæ Simplex.*

*Oper.* Purgative.

*Use.* In costiveness, and to move the bowels in acute diseases; the ginger counteracts the griping quality of the Senna. It is generally united with neutral purgative salts and manna.

*Dose.* f̄j. to f̄iv.

*Incomp.* Strong acids, lime water, the alkaline carbonates, solutions of nitrate of silver, bichloride of mercury, acetates of lead, tartarized antimony, and infusion of yellow cinchona.

*Off. Prep.* *Mist: Gellian: Comp.*



**INFUSUM SERPENTARIÆ.** Infusion of Serpent root. (*Serpentariæ* ʒss., *Aq. dist. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate in a covered vessel for four hours, and strain.)

*Oper.* Excitant, diaphoretic.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒij.

**INFUSUM SIMARUBÆ.** Infusion of Simarouba, (*Simaroubæ contusæ* ʒij., *Aq. distill. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate for two hours in a vessel, and strain.)

*Prop.* Inodorous; bitter, but not astringent.

*Oper.* Tonic, antiseptic; emetic in large doses.

*Use.* In diarrhœa, and the advanced stage of dysentery; dyspepsia; leucorrhœa, and intermittent fevers.

*Dose.* fʒij united with opium or an aromatic, every three or four hours.

*Incomp.* Decoction of galls, infusions of catechu and yellow cinchona, solutions of nitrate of silver, bichloride of mercury, acetate of lead, alkaline carbonates, lime water.

**INFUSUM VALERIANÆ.** Infusion of Valerian. (*Valerianæ* ʒss., *Aq. distill. Ferv.* 0j. Macerate for half an hour, and strain.)

*Oper.* Tonic, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In hysteria, when the stomach will not bear the powder.

*Dose.* fʒjss. to fʒij, twice or thrice a day.

*Incomp.* Nitrate of silver, sulphate of iron, infusion of yellow cinchona.

**INULA.** P. 1824. *Helenium.* Elecampane. (*Inula Helenium. Syngenesia Superflua, N. O. Compositæ.*)

*Prop.* Odour slightly fetid, taste at first soapy and rancid, then aromatic, bitter, hot.

*Oper.* Tonic, diuretic, expectorant.

*Use.* In dyspepsia, paralysis, dropsies, asthma.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj. in powder.

*Off. Prep.* *Confectio Piperis nigri.*

**IODINIUM.** Iodine.

*Prop.* Crystals small, feebly tenacious; in colour and general aspect resemble black lead (*plumbago*): fuses at 338° Fahr.: volatilizes at 347° Fahr. producing a violet-coloured vapour. Soluble in ether and alcohol. Water dissolves 1-7000th only of its weight.

*Oper.* Stimulant, absorbent, emmenagogue.\*

*Use.* In bronchocele and other glandular swellings, not of scirrhus nature; to bring on menstruation in young females in whom it has not occurred; to assist the cicatrization of venereal ulcers.

*Dose.* From 1-6 gr. to gr. iv. made into pills with crumbs of bread.

*Off. Prep.* *Tinct. Iodinii comp., Ung. Iodinii Comp., Ferri Iodidum, Hydr. Iodidum, Hydr. Biniodid., Potassii Iodidum., Liq. Potass. Iodidi comp.*

**IPECACUANHA.** P. 1824. *Ipecacuanhæ Radix.* Ipecacuan. (*Cephaëlis Ipecacuanha. Pentand. Mongyn. N. O. Cinchonaceæ. Brazils.*)

\* I have ascertained that it passes through the kidneys unaltered. T.

**Prop.** Odour faint and peculiar; taste bitter, subacid, mucilaginous; in small annulated pieces; externally brown, internally whitish, both water and alcohol extract its virtues, which have been found to depend on a peculiar principle, named *emetina*.

**Oper.** Emetic in large doses; sudorific, expectorant, in smaller.

**Use.** To produce vomiting in the commencement of fevers, phthisis, inflammatory diseases, buboes, swelled testicles, and before the paroxysms of ague; to excite nausea in dysentery, asthma, pertussis, hæmorrhagies, pneumonia; and, combined with opium, to produce diaphoresis in rheumatism, gout, and febrile disorders.

**Dose.** For the first intention gr. xx. to gr. xxx. alone, or united with tartar emetic gr. j.; for the second gr. j. to gr. iij.; and the third gr. ij. to gr. vj. with opium gr. j.

**Incomp.** Vegetable acids, astringent vegetable infusions.

**Off. Prep.** *Pulvis Ipecacuanhæ Compositus*, *Pil. Conii comp.*, *Pilul. Ipecac. com.*, *Vinum Ipecacuanhæ*.

**JALAPA.** P. 1824. *Jalapæ Radix*. Jalap. (*Ipomæa Jalapa*. *Pentand-Monogyn.* N. O. *Convolvulacæ*. 5.) *Jalapium, Radix*.

**Prop.** Odour slightly nauseous; taste sweetish, slightly pungent; solid, hard, heavy, brittle; fracture resinous; internally light grey, externally covered with a deep brown, wrinkled bark. Proof spirit is its proper menstruum.

**Oper.** Cathartic; the resinous part gripes violently.

**Use.** In costiveness, mania, worms, and as hydragogue in dropsy. It is also a good adjunct to quicken the operation of the chloride of mercury, and other purgatives of slow operation. A drop of essential oil prevents griping.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒss. in pills or a bolus.

**Off. Prep.** *Pulvis, Jalapæ Comp.*, *Extractum Jalapæ*, *Tinct. Jalapæ*, *Pulv. Scammon. comp.*

**JUNIPERI FRUCTUS ET CACUMINA.** Juniper Berries and Tops. (*Dioscia Monadelphica* N. O. *Coniferæ*. North of Europe. 5.)

**Prop.** Odour strong, but not unpleasant; taste warm, pungent, sweetish, followed by a bitter; depending on an essential oil and sweet mucilage. They yield their active properties to both water and alcohol.

**Oper.** Diuretic, carminative, diaphoretic?

**Use.** In dropsies; but they cannot be depended on alone, although they are an admirable adjunct to digitalis and squill.

**Dose.** ʒj. to ʒss. triturated with sugar, three or four times a day. The best form of exhibiting it is an infusion of ʒiij. of the berries bruised in boiling water ʒj.

**Off. Prep.** *Oleum Juniperi*, *Spiritus Juniperi Compositus*, *Decoct. Scoparii. Comp.*

**KINO.** Kino (Africa) *Kino Resina*.

**Comp.** Tannin, gallic acid, oxide of iron, colouring matter.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste sweetish, bitter; sometimes gritty between the teeth; in fragments of a dark ruby red colour; easily pulverized; powder reddish-brown; more soluble in warm than in cold water.

**Oper.** Astringent.

**Use.** In obstinate chronic diarrhœas; uterine, intestinal, and pulmonary hæmorrhagies; flour albus.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to xx. in powder; or in solution of the powder ʒj. mucilage of gum fʒj. cinnamon water fʒv., two table spoonsful occasionally. Vide *Tinct.*

**Incomp.** The mineral acids, alkalies, and their carbonates, ichthyocolla, acetates of lead, nitrate of silver, tartar emetic, sulphate of iron, bichloride of mercury.

**Off. Prep.** *Tinctura Kino, Pulv. Kino Comp.*

**KRAMERIA.** P. 1824. *Krameria Radix* Rhatany. (*Krameria Triandra, Tetrand Monogynia*, N. O. *Polygalaceæ*. Java h.)

**Prop.** Taste bitter; communicates a deep red colour both to water and spirit.

**Oper.** Astringent, diuretic, detergent.

**Use.** In dysentery attended with bloody stools; in ulceration of the gums, and as a stomachic in dyspepsia.

**Dose.** ʒj. to ʒj. in powder.

**Off. Prep.** *Infusum Krameria.*

**LACMUS.** Litmus or Archil. (*Lichen. Rocella. Cryptogamia Algæ* N. O. *Algæ*. Azores, 2.)

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste saltish; and, when chewed, subacid.

**Use.** Colour blue or violet. As a test of great delicacy for acids. To prepare it, the plant is reduced to powder; some of the soda of commerce is then added to it; and it is repeatedly moistened with urine till it ferments, and gradually acquires a violet colour; it is then dried. The watery infusion of it, or paper stained with it, shows the presence of an otherwise imperceptible portion of acid in any fluid.

**LACTUCARIUM.** P. 1824. *Lactuca.* Garden Lettuce, and its inspissated juice. (*Lactuca Sativa, Syngenesia Equalis*, N. O. *Compositæ*. Europe, 3.)

**Prop.** The herb has no odour; its taste is slightly bitter, when not blanched. Odour and colour of the lactucarium the same as that of opium; soluble in water; contains resin, extractive, mucilage, bitter principle.

**Oper.** Narcotic, diaphoretic.

**Use.** In coughs, phthisis pulmonalis, and all painful affections.

**Dose.** Of the lactucarium from gr. j. to gr. vj.

**Off. Prep.** *Ext. Lactucæ.*

**LAVANDULA.** Lavender (*Didynamia Gymnospermia*, N. O. *Labiatae*. South of Europe. h.)

**Prop.** Odour fragrant, agreeable; taste warm, bitterish; depending on an essential oil, which is taken up by alcohol.

**Oper.** Stimulant, slightly errhine.

**Use.** When the oil is extracted and united with proof spirit, it is very useful in faintings, paralysis, and as an adjunct to stomachic bitters. The dried leaves were used, formerly, to produce a discharge from the mucous membrane of the nose, but are now neglected.

**Off. Prep.** *Oleum Lavandulæ, Spir. Lavandulæ, Tinct. Lavandulæ Comp.*



**LAURI BACCÆ ET FOLIA.** Bay Berries, Leaves, (*For Class and Order vide Cinnamomi Cort.* Italy.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .)

*Prop.* Odour slightly fragrant; taste pungent, aromatic; depending on an essential oil.

*Oper.* Stimulant, narcotic, carminative.

*Use.* Seldom used, except as an external application and generally compounded with other stimulants.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to  $\mathfrak{z}$ ss. in powder.

*Off. Prep.* *Confectio Rutæ.*

**LIMONES; SUCCUS, CORTEX: OLEUM.** Lemons, the juice bark and oil. (*Citrus Medica.* *For Class and Order; see Aurantii Baccæ.* Asia. 2.)

*Prop.* Odour of the fruit fragrant, depending on the essential oil; which gives the rind its warm bitter taste; the juice is sharp, but gratefully acid: spec. grav. 1.0384. It contains citric acid, extract, saccharine mucilage, and water: soon spoils.

*Oper.* Refrigerant antiseptic.

*Use.* The juice as a beverage, diluted with water and sweetened, is useful in febrile and inflammatory complaints, cooling and quenching thirst: alone, or combined with wine, in scorbutus; with camphor mixture, decoction of cinchona, or wine, in putrid sore throats, remittent fevers, diabetes, and lenteria; and with common salt, in dysentery and cholics.

*Dose.*  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ij. or more, two or three times a day; diluted ad libitum.

*Off. Prep.* *Acidum Citricum, Syrupus Limonum, Ung. Veratri., Infus. Aurantii: Comp., Inf. Gentian comp., Spirit. Amm. aromat.*

**LINIMENTUM ÆRUGINIS.** Liniment of Verdigris. (*Æruginis cont.*  $\mathfrak{z}$ j. *Aceti.*  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ vij. *Mellis*  $\mathfrak{z}$ xiv. Dissolve the Verdigris in Vinegar, and strain through a linen cloth; afterwards the honey being added boil down to a proper consistence.) *Oxymel Æruginis.*

*Oper.* Detergent, escharotic.

*Use.* Diluted with water it is useful as a gargle in venereal ulcerations of the mouth and fauces; but much caution is required that none of it be swallowed, and the mouth should always be well cleaned after using it:—to foul ulcers.

**LINIMENTUM AMMONIÆ.** P. 1824. ————— *Fortius.* Liniment of Ammonia. (*Liquoris Ammoniac*  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ j. *Olivæ Olei*  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ij. Shake them together until they mix.) A soap.

*Oper.* Stimulant, rubefacient.

*Use.* In cynanche tonsillaris, spread on a piece of flannel, and applied round the throat; when the skin is very irritable, a larger proportion of oil is requisite.

**LINIMENTUM AMMONIÆ SESQUICARBONATIS.** P. 1824. ————— *Subcarbonatis* Liniment of Sesquicarbonate of Ammonia. (*Liquoris Ammoniac sesquicarbonatis*  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ j., *Olivæ Olei*  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ij. Shake them together until they mix.)

*Oper.* Rubefacient.

*Use.* The same as the strong liniment; but the oil and water are less perfectly united by the sesquicarbonate, and after a little time separate. This preparation is superfluous.

**LINIMENTUM CAMPHORÆ.** Camphor Liniment. (*Camphoræ* ʒj., *Olivæ Olei* fʒiv. *Dissolve.*) ʒj. contains gr. xv. of camphor.  
*Oper.* Stimulant, anodyne.

*Use.* To glandular swellings, sprains, bruises, and joints affected with chronic rheumatic pains, applied by friction. Mr. Ware recommends this liniment, with the addition of *Liq. Potassæ Subcarbonatis* ʒiv. to be applied to the edges of the eyelids, night and morning, in incipient amaurosis.

**LINIMENTUM CAMPHORÆ COMPOSITUM.** Compound Camphor Liniment. (*Camphoræ* ʒijss., *Liq. Ammoniacæ* fʒvijss., *Spir. Lavandulæ* Oj.) Mix the solution of Ammonia with the Spirit then let a pint distill from a glass retort, with a slow fire; lastly, dissolve the camphor in it.

*Oper.* Stimulant, anodyne.

*Use.* To sprains, bruises, and chronic rheumatic pains.

*Incomp.* All acids, water.

**LINIMENTUM HYDRARGYRI COMPOSITUM.** Compound Mercurial Liniment. (*Ung. Hydrarg. fort.*, *Adipis Preparatæ* sing. ʒiv. *Camphoræ* ʒj., *Spir. Rect.* fʒj., *Liquoris Ammoniacæ* fʒiv. First rub the camphor with the spirit, then add the ointment and lard, and lastly, gradually the solution.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, discutient.

*Use.* To parts affected with chronic venereal pains, nodes, to indolent swellings, and to discuss collections of fluids; ʒj. rubbed on the affected parts night and morning.

**LINIMENTUM OPII.** Liniment of Opium. (*Linim. Saponis* fʒvj., *Opii Tinct.* fʒij. Mix.)

*Use.* To allay pains; and to procure sleep when opium cannot be taken into the stomach.

**LINIMENTUM SAPONIS.** P. 1824. ———— *Comp.* Soap Liniment. (*Saponis Duri* ʒiij., *Camphoræ* ʒj., *Spir. Rosmarini* fʒxvj.) Dissolve the camphor in the spirit; afterwards add the soap, and macerate with a gentle heat until it is dissolved.

*Oper.* Stimulant, anodyne.

*Use.* Against local pains, rubbed on the part; with the addition of Tincture of Spanish Flies, and of opium; we have found this liniment of great use in allaying the violent pains of colic, and procuring sleep.

*Off. Prep.* Liniment. Opii.

**LINIMENTUM TEREBINTHINÆ.** Turpentine Liniment. (*Saponis Mellis* ʒij., *Camphoræ* ʒj., *Ol. Terebinthinæ* fʒxvj.) Shake them together till they are mixed.

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* To burns; first used for this purpose by Dr. Kentish, then a surgeon in Newcastle.

**LINI SEMINA.** P. 1824. ———— *Usitatissimi Semina* Linseed. (*Linum Usitatissimum*, *Pentand. Pentagynum*, N. O. *Linaceæ*.)

*Prop.* Seed inodorous, almost tasteless, small, flat, oval, smooth shining, brown; yielding mucilage to warm water, and oil by expression. Mucilage clear, colourless, inodorous, nearly insipid.

*Oper.* Demulcent, emollient.

*Use.* The infusion has been already noticed. In substance, the linseed is ground into powder, and used as poultices very advantageously. It is preferable on account of the facility with which it is made, the powder being simply stirred into boiling water. To phlegmons, and parts affected with pain and inflammation; and to gout, the pain of which it has been found to relieve.

*Off. Prep.* *Oleum Lini*, *Inf. Lini*. *Comp.*, *Cataplasm. Lini*, *Cataplasma Sinapis*.

**LIQUOR ALUMINIS COMPOSITUS.** Compound solution of Alum. (*Aluminis Zinc. Sulphatis* sing.  $\text{℥j.}$ , *Aq. Ferv.*  $\text{Oij.}$ . Dissolve, and strain the solution through paper.) *Aqua Aluminis Composita*.

*Oper.* Detergent, stimulant.

*Use.* As a collyrium properly diluted in ophthalmia; an injection in gleet, and in fluor albus; and as a lotion for cleaning wounds, and removing cutaneous eruptions.

**LIQUOR AMMONIÆ.** Solution of Ammonia. *Liquor Ammoniæ Puræ* (*Ammoniæ Hydrochloratis*  $\text{℥x.}$  *Calcis*  $\text{℥vii.}$  *Aquæ*  $\text{Oij.}$ . The lime slaked with water into a retort then add the Hydrochlorate of Ammonia broken into small pieces, and the remainder of the water. Let fifteen fluidounces of solution of Ammonia distil.

*Comp.* Ammoniacal gas 10 (a compound of 82.36 nitrogen, and 17.64 hydrogen), or 3 eq. hydrogen = 3 + 1 nitrogen = 14.15, equiv. = 17.15, and 90 water, when of a spec. grav. 0.960. The solution of a spec. grav. 0.936, fixed by the Dublin College, contains more ammoniacal gas.

*Prop.* Odour pungent, strong, peculiar; taste hot, pungent; is colourless, transparent, volatile; absorbs rapidly carbonic acid from the atmosphere, so as to require to be kept well corked up.

*Oper.* Stimulant, antacid, rubefacient.

*Use.* Largely diluted in asphyxia, acidities of the primæ viæ, and in hysteria; externally it is applied to the nostrils in faintings; a rag moistened with it and laid over the scrobiculus cordis, sometimes raises an instantaneous blister, and always proves useful in spasms, and gout of the stomach; a liniment composed of camphor  $\text{℥j.}$  dissolved in olive oil  $\text{f℥ss.}$  and liq. ammon.  $\text{f℥ij.}$  is an excellent application to parts affected with deep seated inflammation.

*Dose.*  $\text{℥x.}$  to  $\text{℥xx.}$  diluted with water or milk.

*Incomp.* All the metallic salts; the acids; sulphas aluminis.

*Off. Prep.* *Hydrarg. Ammon. Chlor.*, *Spiritus Ammoniæ comp.*, *Linimentum Camphoræ Comp.*, *Linimentum Ammoniæ*, *Tinct. Ammon. com.*, *Linimentum Hydrargyri Comp.*, *Morphia*, *Morph. Hydrochl.*

**LIQUOR AMMONIÆ ACETATIS.** Solution of Acetate of Ammonia. (*Ammoniæ Sesquicarbonatis*,  $\text{℥ivss.}$ , *vel. q. s. s. Aceti dis-*



till. Oiv. Add the Sesquicarbonate of Ammonia to the Vinegar to saturation. *Liq. Ammoniae, Acetatae.*

*Comp.* Acetate of ammonia, water : proportions variable.

*Prop.* Inodorous ; taste neutral, nauseous ; colourless.

*Oper.* Sudorific ; externally cooling, astringent.

*Use.* Diluted in febrile and inflammatory complaints ; as a lotion, to inflamed surfaces, sprains, and fractures ; diluted with rose water, a good collyrium ; and still more diluted, an injection in the commencement of gonorrhœa.

*Dose.* fʒij. to fʒxij. every three or four hours.

*Incomp.* Acids, alkalies, nitras argenti.

**LIQUOR AMMONIÆ SEQUICARBONATIS.** P. 1824 ———

*Subcarbonatis*, Solution of sesquicarbonate of Ammonia. (*Ammoniae sesquicarbonatis* ʒiv., *Aquæ Distillatæ* 0j. Dissolve and filter through paper. Spec. grav. 1150.)

*Use, &c.* The same as the Subcarbonate of Ammonia.

*Off. Prep.* *Liniment. Amm. Sesquicarbonatis, Ferri Potass.-Tart.*

**LIQUOR ARGENTI NITRATIS.** Solution of Nitrate of Silver. (*Argenti Nit.* ʒj., *Aq. dist.* fʒj.) Dissolve the Nitrate of Silver in the water and strain, then the access of light being prevented keep it in a well closed vessel.

*Use.* To apply to excoriations, in fevers, and case of long confinement to bed in low conditions of the habit.

**LIQUOR BARIÏ CHLORIDI.** Solution of Chloride of Barium (*Barii Chloridi* ʒj., *Aq. distill.* ʒj., Dissolve the Chloride of Barium and strain.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, deobstruent, diuretic ; in large doses emetic, purgative, and extremely deleterious ; externally escharotic.

*Use.* In serofulous affections ; glandular obstructions ; worms, and cutaneous diseases ; but its efficacy is doubtful. Externally, to fungous ulcers, and specks on the cornea.

*Dose.* ℥v. to ℥x. twice or thrice a day, and gradually increased till the nausea is produced.

*Incomp.* Sodæ sulphas, alumen, potassæ nitras, and argenti nitras.

**LIQUOR POTASSÆ ARSENITIS.** P. 1824. *Liquor Arsenicalis*

Solution of Arsenite of Potash. *Arseniosi Acidi in frustula trit.*, *Potassæ Carbonatis sing.* gr. lxxx., *Tinct. Lavand. comp.* fʒv., *Aq. Distil.* 0j. Boil the Arsenious Acid and Carbonate of Potash with half a Pint of the Water in a glass Vessel until they are dissolved. Add the compound Tincture of Lavender to the cooled Liquor. Lastly, add besides, of distilled Water, as much as may be sufficient, that it may accurately fill a pint measure.

*Comp.* Arsenite of potassa dissolved in water ; the spirit of lavender gives only colour and taste.

*Oper.* Tonic, antiperiodic.

*Use.* The same as the arsenious acid ; in ague, and protracted rheumatism, where there is much debility, and the joints much affected. We have given it with decided advantage in threatened apoplexy, after cupping and purging, when the strength is diminished, and the complexion pale.

*Dose.* ℥iv. gradually increased to ℥xxx. twice a day.

**LIQUOR CALCIS.** Lime water. (*Calcis* ℥ss., *Aq. Distillatæ* Oxiij. Add a little of the water to the lime, and when slaked add the remainder, and shake them together; then cover the vessel, and let it stand three hours; then bottle it, lime and water, in stopped bottles; and when it is to be used take the clear solution.) *Aqua Calcis.*

**Comp.** The clear fluid consists of about gr. 11·6 of lime in every Oj. of water, at 60° Fahr.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste austere, acrid, sweetish; colourless, transparent. (For use it should be filtered in a covered funnel, not decanted, as ordered by the London College.) Changes vegetable colours green.

**Oper.** Antacid, anthelmintic; externally detergent.

**Use.** Diarrhœa, diabetes, fluor albus; dyspepsia, when much acid is in the stomach; in slimy bowels, and worms, externally as a lotion to foul and cancerous ulcers; also in tinea capitis and scabies, but with little advantage.

**Dose.** fʒij. to Oss. with milk. When long used in dyspepsia, it should be discontinued at intervals.

**Incomp.** Acids, alkaline carbonates, antimonium tart., barytes, tartrates and citrates. Infusions of orange peel, alumina, cinchona, rhubarb and senna.

**LIQUOR CALCII CHLORIDI.** P. 1824 ——— *Calcis Muriatis.* Solution of Chloride of Calcium. (*Chloridi Calcis* ʒiv., *Aq. Dist.* fʒxij.) Dissolve the chloride of Calcium, and strain.

**Use.** The same as the chloride.

**Dose.** ℥xl. to fʒiij.

**LIQUOR CUPRI AMMONIO-SULPHATIS.** P. 1824 ——— *Ammoniat.* Solution of Ammoniated Copper. (*Cupri Ammonio-Sulphatis* ʒj., *Aquæ distil.* Oj. Dissolve and filter the solution through paper.)

**Oper.** Corrosive, detergent.

**Use.** Externally to foul ulcers; and diluted with an equal part of distilled water, it is applied by means of a hair pencil to specks and films on the eye.

**LIQUOR HYDRARGYRI BICHLORIDI.** P. 1824. ——— *Oxymuriatis.* Solution of Bichloride of Mercury. *Hydrarg. Bichloridi, Ammonia Hydrochloratis, sing.* gr. x., *Aq. distil.* Oj. Dissolve in the water.)

This preparation is superfluous, except that "it facilitates the administration of minute divisions of a grain of this active medicine; fʒj. contains  $\frac{1}{4}$  grain of the salt.

**Dose.** ℥xx. to fʒij. in any mucilage; or in syrup and water.

**Incomp.** Alkalies, and their carbonates, lime water, tartar emetic, nitrate of silver, acetates of lead, sulphurets, soaps, infusion and decoctions of astringent vegetables, albumen ovi.

**LIQUOR PLUMBI DIACETATIS.** P. 1824. ——— *Sub-acetatis.* Solution of Acetate of Lead (*Plumbi Acetatis* ℥ij. et ʒiij., *Plumbi Oxidi in pulv. triti* ℥j. et ʒiv., *Aquæ* Ovj. Boil for half an hour, occasionally stirring, and when the solution cools add distilled water sufficient to make up the quantity to Ovj.; strain.) *Liquor Acetatis Plumbi.*



*Comp.* 2 eq. oxide of lead=222.12, acetic acid 1=51.48, equiv. 273.60

*Prop.* Colourless; odour acetous; taste austere, astringent, sweetish.

*Oper.* Externally cooling, astringent, discutient.

*Use.* Diluted with forty times its quantity of distilled water, it is a useful application to phlegmonous inflammations and burns; and still more diluted, it forms a good collyrium.

*Incomp.* Mucilaginous solutions or decoctions; common pump water.

*Off Prep.* *Cerat. Plumbi Comp., Plumbi Oxyd.-Hydratum., Liq. Plumbi Diacetatis Dilutus.*

**LIQUOR PLUMBI DIACETATIS DILUTUS.** P. 1824. ————

——— *Subacetatis dilut.*—Diluted Solution of Subacetate of Lead. (*Liq. Plumbi Diacet. f3jss., Aq. Distil. 0j., Spir. Tenuioris f3ij.*) Mix.

The intention of the London College, in giving a formula for this mixture, appears to be chiefly with a view of showing that distilled water is requisite. The proportion of spirit is too small.

**LIQUOR POTASSÆ.** Solution of Potash. (*Potassæ Carbonatis 3xv. Calcis 3viii., Aquæ Dist. Ferv. congium.* Dissolve the alkali in half a gallon of the water, sprinkle a little water on the lime to slake it, and add the rest of the water. Mix the whole; set the mixture aside in a close vessel, shake frequently and when it is cold decant, and keep the decanted fluid in well stopped phials of green glass.

*Comp.* Oxide of potassium and water.

*Pron.* Inodorous; taste caustic, alkaliescent; colourless; appearance oily when shaken; more dense than water; feels soapy between the fingers, owing to the solution of the cuticle; will not effervesce with acids; spec. grav. according to the Dublin formula 1.100.

*Oper.* Lithontriptic in some cases; antacid; diuretic; externally escharotic, stimulant.

*Use.* The reputation of alkalies in calculus is not so high as formerly; potassa acts on uric calculi; and therefore may be useful in nephritic calculus; but its chief use is in preventing the formation of uric acid. It neutralizes acids in the stomach, and allays irritability of that organ; it is useful in lepra vulgaris, psoriasis, and some other cutaneous complaints. Externally diluted, as a lotion in rachitis and gouty swellings.

*Dose.* ℥x. to f3j. in chicken broth or beer, three or four times a day. When used to counteract acidity, a bitter should be united to it.

*Incomp.* Acids, metallic salts, chloride and bichloride of mercury.

*Off. Prep.* *Antimon. Oxy-Sulphur., Ferri Potass.-Tart., Hyd. Binoxyd., Potass. Hydras.*

**LIQUOR POTASSÆ CARBONATIS.** (*Potassæ Carbonatis 3xx., Aquæ Distillatæ 0j.* Dissolve and strain.)

*Oper.* Antacid, diuretic.

*Use.* In acidity of the stomach; most advantageous when united with myrrh. *R. Pulv. Myrrhæ 3j., Liq. Potassæ Carbon. f3iv.*



Infuse for four days, filter through paper, and give it in the same doses as the liquor.

*Dose.* ℥x. to fʒj. in any bitter infusion.

**LIQUOR POTASSÆ EFFERVESCENS.** Effervescing Solution of Potassa. (*Potassæ Bicarbonatis* ʒj., *Aquæ Distil.* 0j. Dissolve the bicarbonate of Potash in the Water; and pass into it, of Carbonic Acid compressed by force, more than sufficient for saturation. Keep the Solution in a well-stopped vessel.

*Use.* As an agreeable antacid.

**LIQUOR POTASSIO IODIDI COMPOSITUS.** Compound Solution of Iodide of Potassium. (*Potassii Iodidi* gr. x. *Iodidi* gr. v. *Aq. distill.* 0j.) Mix, that they may be dissolved.

*Use.* This is a good mode of exhibiting Iodine.

*Dose.* ʒss. to ʒss.

**LIQUOR SODÆ CHLORINATÆ.** Solution of Chlorinated Soda. (*Sodæ Carb.* i℥j. *Aq. distill.* fʒxlviij. *Sodii Chloridi* ʒiv. *Manganesii Binoxidi* ʒiii. *Acid. Sulph.* ʒiv. Dissolve the soda in two pints of water; then put the Chloride of Sodium and Binoxide of Manganese, rubbed to powder, into a retort, and add to them the Sulphuric Acid, previously mixed with three fluidounces of water and cooled. Heat the [mixture] and pass the chlorine first through five fluidounces of water, and afterwards into the solution of Carbonate of Soda above directed.)

**LIQUOR SODÆ EFFERVESCENS.** Effervescing Solution of Soda. (*Sodæ Sesquicarb.* ʒj. *Aq. distill.* 0j. Dissolve the Carbonate of Soda in the water, and pass into it compressed by force more carbonic Acid than is sufficient for saturation. Keep the solution in well-stopped bottles.)

*Remarks.*—A solution thus prepared is commonly known by the name of soda water.

**LUPULUS.** Hops. (*Humulus Lupulus.* *Diæcia Pentand.* N. O. *Urticæ.* Europe. 2)

*Prop.* Odour fragrant, sub-narcotic; taste bitter, aromatic; depending on a peculiar principle named *lupuline*, extractive, and essential oil, extracted equally by water and spirit, from the dried strobiles.

*Oper.* Narcotic, anodyne, diuretic.

*Use.* In gout and rheumatism. The powder, formed into an ointment with lard, is said to ease the pain of open cancer. A pillow, stuffed with hops, is an old and successful mode of procuring sleep in the watchfulness of delirious fever.

*Dose.* Gr. iij. to ʒj. united with ʒss. of cinnamon water, twice or thrice a day; of the infusion ʒjss.

*Off. Prep.* *Ext. Lupuli*, *Tinct. Lupuli.*, *Inf. Lupuli.*

**MAGNESIA.** Magnesia. (Obtained from Carbonate of Magnesia, by exposure to a strong heat.) *Magnesia Usta.* (*Magnes. Carb.* ʒiv. Burn for two hours in a strong fire.)

*Comp.* A metallic base, named by Sir H. Davy magnesium 60, and oxygen 40 in 100 parts; or 1. eq. magnesium=12.7+1 oxygen=8, equiv.=20.7.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste very slightly bitter; in the form of a powder, white, light, spongy, soft; spec. grav. 2·3, requiring 5142 times its weight of water at 69°, and 36000 at 212° for its solution.

**Oper.** Antacid, laxative when it meets with acids in the stomach.

**Use.** In heartburn, aphthæ, and other acidities; preferable to chalk when the bowels are costive. Sometimes it is given in dysentery, combined with ipecacuanha and opium, and followed by successive draughts of lemonade.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒj. occasionally in water or milk.

**Incomp.** Acids, metallic salts, hydrochlorate of ammonia.

**MAGNESIÆ CARBONAS**, P. 1824. ————— *Subcarbonas*. (Prepared from Sulphate of Magnesia by Carbonate of Soda.) *Magnesia Alba*. *Magnesia Sulphat.* *Hiv. Sodæ Carb.* *Hiv. et ʒviii. Aq. distill.* C. iv. Dissolve separately the Carbonate of Soda and Sulphate of Magnesia in two gallons of the water, and strain; then mix the liquors and boil, stirring constantly with a spatula for a quarter of an hour; lastly, the liquor being poured off, wash the precipitated powder with boiling distilled water, and dry it.

**Comp.** Carbonic acid 40, magnesia 43, water 17 parts in 100. (*Dalton.*) Or 1 eq. magnesia=20·7+ 1 carbonic acid=22·12, equiv.=42·82.

**Prop.** Inodorous, insipid; light, white, spongy, opaque; effervescing with acids; insoluble in water; spec. grav. 6·2941.

**Oper.** Antacid, laxative when it meets with acid.

**Use.** The same as that of magnesia; but owing to the carbonic acid, it sometimes occasions unpleasant distension.

**Dose.** ʒss. to ʒij. in water.

**Off. Prep.** *Magnesia*.

**MAGNESIÆ SULPHAS**. Sulphate of Magnesia. (Generally obtained from sea water.) *Magnesia Vitriolata*.

**Comp.** Sulphuric acid 29·35, magnesia 17, water of crystallization 53·65 parts in 100, (*Bergman.*) Or 1 eq. magnesia=20·7+1 sulphuric acid=40·1, equiv.=60·8.

**Prop.** Taste bitter, disagreeable; in acicular crystals, which occasionally, owing to an admixture of hydrochlorate of magnesia, deliquesce; the pure sulphate effloresces; sp. grav. 1·66; soluble in an equal part of water at 60°, increasing the volume of the water 4-tenths.

**Prop.** Purgative, diuretic.

**Use.** In all cases which require purgatives. It operates without griping, and, when united with infusion of roses acidulated, will sit on the stomach when all other things are rejected. The more it is diluted, the better and more easily it operates. An adjunct to clysters.

**Dose.** ʒss. to ʒj. In clysters ʒjss. to ʒiij.

**Incomp.** The fixed alkalies and their carbonates, lime water, chloride of barium, nitrate of silver, acetate of lead.

**Off. Prep.** *Magn. Carbon.*

**ALVA.** Mallow. (*Monadelphica Poljand.* N. O. *Malvaceæ*, Indigenous. 24)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste weak, herbaceous, mucilaginous.

*Oper.* Demulcent, lubricant.

*Use.* Dysenteries, ischuria, nephritis, strangury; but much inferior to decoction of Althea. In clysters, in nephritic colic, and tenesmus, Externally in cataplasms and fomentations.

*Dose.* The decoction ad libitum.

*Incomp.* Liquor plumbi diacetatis, and other salts of lead,

*Off. Prep.* Decoct. *Malvæ com.*

**MANNA.** Manna. *Ornus Europæa.* *Polygam. Diæcia*, N. O. *Oleaceæ*. South of Europe. 5.) Obtained by spontaneous exudation and incisions.

*Comp.* Saccharine matter, mannite, nauseous extractive, mucilage.

*Prop.* Inodorous; sweetish, with a very slight degree of bitterness; in friable flakes of a whitish or pale yellow colour, opaque; soluble in water and alcohol.

*Oper.* Laxative; apt to gripe.

*Use.* As a purgative for children, who readily take it on account of its sweetness; but more generally as an adjunct to other purgatives.

*Dose.* ʒss. to ʒij. alone, or dissolved in fluid purgatives.

*Off. Prep.* *Confectio Cassiæ*, *Syrupus Sennæ*.

**MANGANESII BINOXYDUM.** P. 1824 ————— *Oxydum*  
Bin-Oxide of Manganese. (A peroxide.)

*Comp.* Manganese (a peculiar metal) 60, oxygen 40, in 100 parts, or 1 eq. Manganese = 27.7 + 2 oxygen = 16, equiv. = 43.7.

*Prop.* In friable dull black masses; becomes grey when exposed to great heat, and affords abundance of oxygen gas.

*Use.* In pharmaceutical operations; for procuring oxygen gas; and for fumigation in cases of infection. (*R. Sodii chloridi* ʒiv.,

*Manganesii Binoxydi* ʒj., *Acidi Sulphurici* fʒj., *Aquæ* fʒij. Mix the acid and water, and pour the mixture over the other ingredients, in a china basin, placed in a pipkin of hot sand.) The doors and windows of the room under fumigation must be closely shut for an hour or two; then thrown open, and a current of air allowed to pass through it.

*Off. Prep.* *Liq. Sodæ Chlorinatæ*.

**MARMOR.** P. 1824 ————— *Album.* Marble. *Carbonas Calcis dura.*

*Prop.* Colour, various shades of white; internal lustre vitreous; fracture foliated; brittle; spec. grav. from 2.7 to 2.84 It has scarcely any taste, and is composed of 43.14 of carbonic acid, and 56.86 of lime.

**MARANTA.** Arrow-root, (*Maranta arundinacea.* *Monandria, Monogynia.* N. O. *Marantaceæ*.)

The fecula of the rhizomes; when boiled with water or milk, it forms a mild nutritious article of food, well adapted for infants and convalescents.



**MARRUBIUM.** White Horehound. (*Didynam. Gymnosperm. N. O. Labiatæ. Europe. 4.*)

*Prop.* Odour strong, not unpleasant; taste bitter.

*Oper.* Tonic, diuretic, laxative; emmenagogue?

*Use.* In hysteria; chronic catarrh and pituitous asthma; obstruction of the catamenia: seldom used.

*Dose.* In powder ʒss. to ʒj.: of the expressed juice fʒss. to fʒjss.; or of this infusion (*Marrub. Fol. ʒss., Aq. Ferø. 0j.*) a large glassful twice or thrice a day.

**MASTICHE.** Mastic. (*Diœcia, Pentandria, N. O. Terebinthaceæ. Sp̃am, Chios. 5.*)

*Comp.* Resin, essential oil, and a matter resembling caoutchouc.

*Prop.* Odour agreeable when heated; almost insipid; in globular, irregular, yellowish, semi-transparent masses; soluble in æther, partially in alcohol.

*Oper.* Stimulant, sialagogue?

*Use.* In old obstinate coughs; gleet; and, chewed, in paralysis of the tongue.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒss. twice a day.

*Off Prep.* *Tinct. Ammon. Comp.*

**MEL.** Honey. (Collected from flowers by the *Apis Mellifica.*)

*Comp.* Saccharine matter, mucilage; some acid, occasionally essential oil; varying according to the kinds of plants used by the bee.

*Prop.* Odour peculiar; taste sweet, and slightly acrid; the best is limpid, containing small concretions; nearly colourless; and tenacious.

*Oper.* Aperient, externally detergent; stimulant.

*Use.* Seldom used internally as a medicine; but when freely eaten it is apt to produce colic: externally as an adjunct to gargles in cynanche tonsillaris; in aphthæ; sometimes applied to foul ulcers.

*Off Prep.* *Mel. Boracis, Mel. Rosæ, Oxytel, Oxytel Scillæ, Lini-ment. Æruginis, Confect. Pip. nigri.*

**MEL BORACIS.** Honey of Borax. (*Boracis contriti ʒj. Mellis ʒj. Mix.*)

*Oper.* Detergent.

*Use.* Applied to the tongue, and insides of the cheeks, in aphthous affections, and in pyalism.

**MEL ROSÆ.** Rose Honey. (*Rosæ Gallicæ Exsiccat. ʒiv.; Aq. Ferø. 0ijss., Mellis ʒiv.* Infuse the roses six hours; add the strained liquor to the honey, and boil to a proper consistence in a water bath.)

*Prop.* Odour that of the rose; taste sweet, astringent; colour red; limpid, tenacious.

*Oper.* Astringent, detergent.

*Use.* Chiefly in gargles, in ulceration, and inflammation of the mouth and fauces: (*R Mellis Rosæ ʒj., Acidi Muriatici ʒxxx.*); form a good detergent in aphtha gangrenosa; as a vehicle for other remedies in infantile diseases.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒiv.

**MENTHA PIPERITA.** Peppermint. (*Didynamia Gymnospermia*, N. O. *Labiatae*. Indigenous. 2.) *Mentha Piperita*.

**Prop.** Odour strong, agreeable; taste pungent, aromatic, and producing a sensation of coldness in the mouth; depending on a volatile oil and camphor.

**Oper.** Stomachic, carminative.

**Use.** Vide under Aqua et Ol. *Menthæ Piperitæ*.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒj. scarcely ever used in substance.

**Off. Prep.** *Aqua Menthæ Piperitæ*, *Oleum Menthæ Piperitæ*, *Spir. Menthæ Piperitæ*.

**MENTHA VIRIDIS.** Spearmint. (Class and order as above.) *Mentha Sativa*.

**Prop.** Odour strong, aromatic; taste warm, austere, bitterish.

**Oper.** Stomachic, carminative.

**Use.** Vide under Aqua et Ol. *Menthæ Viridis*. An infusion of it is a good diluent in febrile diseases.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒj. scarcely ever used in substance.

**Off. Prep.** *Aqua Menthæ Viridis*, *Ol. Menthæ Viridis*, *Spir. Menthæ Vir.*

**MENTHA PULEGIUM.** Pennyroyal. (*Menthæ Pulegium*. For Class and Order, see *Menthæ*. Indigenous. 2.)

**Prop.** Odour aromatic; taste warm, pungent; not unlike that of spearmint.

**Oper.** Expectorant, diaphoretic.

**Use.** In asthma and pertussis, but of no value; seldom used.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒj.

**Off. Prep.** *Aquæ Menthæ Pulegii*, *Oleum Menthæ Pulegii*, *Spiritus Menthæ Pulegii*.

**MENYANTHES.** Buck Bean. (*Pentandria Monogyna*, N. O. *Gen-tianaceæ*. Europe. 2.) *Trifolium Paludosum*.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste intensely bitter; water extracts its properties.

**Oper.** Tonic, diuretic, purgative; in large doses emetic.

**Use.** In intermittents, arthritic and chronic rheumatic affections, and in cachectic and herpetic diseases.

**Dose.** ʒj. to ʒj. of the dried leaves powdered; fʒj. to fʒjss. of this infusion. (*Menyanth fol. sic.* ʒss., *Aquæ Oss.*)

**MEZEREUM.** P. 1824. *Mezerei Cortex*. Mezereon Bark. (*Octand. Monogyn.* N. O. *Thymalaceæ*. North of Europe. 5.)

**Comp.** Daphnina, oleo resin, wax, extractive, gum sugar, malates.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste, when chewed for some time, acrid, burning; yields its virtues to water and vinegar.

**Oper.** Stimulant, diaphoretic; in large doses emetic.

**Use.** In venereal diseases, but its efficacy is doubtful. It is sometimes useful in the sequelæ of syphilis; in chronic rheumatism; lepra, and scrofulous swellings; and chewing frequently thin slices of the recent root has been found useful in palsy of the tongue: externally, the fresh bark soaked in vinegar is useful for keeping open issues.

**Dose.** Of the powder gr. j. gradually increased to gr. x. *Vide Decoctions.*

**Off. Prep.** *Decoct. Sarsæ Comp.*

**MISTURA ACACIÆ.** P. 1834. *Mucilago Acaciæ*. Mixture of Acacia. (*Acaciæ cont.* ʒx., *Aquæ ferventis* 0j.)

*Comp.* Simple solution of gum in water.

*Oper. and Use.* Demulcent: as a medium for combining oils, resins, and balsams with water.

*Off. Prep.* *Mist. Cretæ*, *Mist. Guaiaci*, *Pil. Conii Comp.*, *Pil. Ipecac Comp.*

**MISTURA AMMONIACI.** Mixture of Ammoniac. (*Ammoniaci* ʒv., *Aquæ* 0j. Rub the Ammoniacum, adding the water gradually, until they be perfectly mixed. (*Lac Ammoniaci*.)

*Comp.* Resin and oil suspended by means of gum in water; when kept the resin separates.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of the ammoniacum.

*Dose.* fʒss. to fʒj. united with ipecacuanha, &c.

*Incomp.* Bichloride of mercury, acetate of potassa, oxymel, æther, spirit of nitric æther.

**MISTURA AMYGDALÆ.** P. 1824. ——— *Amygdalarum*. Almond Mixture. (*Confectionis Amygdalæ* ʒijss., *Aq. Distillatæ* 0j. Rub together, adding the water by degrees, and strain. *Lac Amygdalæ*.)

*Comp.* The oil of the Almond suspended in water by means of its mucilage; and fecula.

*Oper.* Demulcent, cooling; if the bitter almond be used, sedative.

*Use.* In catarrh, gonorrhœa, strangury, hectic fever.

*Dose.* fʒjss. to 0ss. or ad libitum.

*Incomp.* Acids and all acidulous salts, spirits, tinctures, spirit of nitric æther, and common pump water.

**MISTURA ASSAFÆTIDÆ.** Mixture of Assafætida. (*Assafætide* ʒv. *Aquæ* 0j. Rub together, adding the water by degrees.) *Lac. Assafætide.*

*Comp.* Resin and volatile oil, suspended by gummy extractive in water.

*Oper.* The same as the gum resin.

*Use.* In hysteria; and in spasmodic and convulsive affections, when pills cannot be swallowed. As a clyster in the irritations of the bowels which occur during dentition, and those produced by ascarides, and in ischuria.

*Dose.* fʒss. to fʒjss. frequently repeated during a paroxysm of hysteria; or the continuance of spasm.

**MISTURA CAMPHORÆ.** Camphor Mixture, (*Camphoræ* ʒss. *Spir. Rectif.* ℥x., *Aquæ* 0j. Rub the camphor with the spirit, then gradually add the water and strain.)

*Comp.* Camphor gr. j. 1-6th, in water fʒj. ?\*

*Oper.* The same as that of the camphor, only in a weaker degree.

*Use.* In faintings, typhus, and nervous fevers; but seldom given alone; the quantity of camphor being too small.

*Dose.* fʒss. to fʒij. united with cordial tinctures



**MISTURA CASCARILLÆ COMPOSITA.** Compound mixture of Cascarilla. (*Infusi Cascarillæ* f̄ss. *Aceti Scillæ* f̄j. *Tincturæ Camphoræ* comp. f̄ij., misce.)

*Use.* In chronic affections of the chest, attended with much debility.

*Dose.* f̄j. to f̄jss. twice a day.

**MISTURA CRETÆ.** Chalk Mixture. (*Cretæ* ̄ss. *Sacchari Prep.* ʒij. *Mist. Acaciæ* f̄jss., *Aquæ Cinnamomi* ʒxviij. Mix.) *Mistura Cretacea.*

*Oper.* Antacid, absorbent.

*Use.* In acidities of the stomach, particularly those attending dentition, provided the bowels be kept open; in diarrhœas, united with opium and catechu.

*Dose.* f̄j. to f̄ij. every three or four hours; or after every liquid motion.

**MISTURA FERRI COMPOSITA.** Compound mixture of Iron. (*Myrrhæ* cont. ʒij. *Potassæ Carb.* ʒj. *Aq. Rosæ* f̄xxviij. *Ferri Sulph.* cont. ʒijss. *Spir. Myristicæ* f̄j. *Sacch.* ʒij. Rub together the myrrh, subcarbonate of potash, and sugar; then add, while triturating, the rose water, spirit of nutmeg, and, lastly, the sulphate of iron. Pour the mixture directly into a glass bottle, and stop it close.

*Comp.* The salts are decomposed and the mixture contains proto-carbonate of iron, and sulphate of potassa, suspended with the other ingredients.

*Oper.* Tonic, emmenagogue.

*Use.* In all cases in which preparations of iron are useful; particularly in hysteria and chlorosis, depending on weak and arterial action after unloading the stomach and bowels.

*Dose.* f̄j. to f̄ij. twice or three times a day.

*Incomp.* Acids, vegetable astringents.

**MISTURA GENTIANÆ COMPOSITA.** Compound Mixture of Gentian. (*Infusi Gentianæ* comp. f̄xxii., *Infusi Sennæ* comp. f̄xvj., *Tinct. Cardam.* comp. f̄ij. Mix.)

*Use.* As a mild tonic purgative in dyspeptic affections accompanied with costiveness.

**MISTURA GUAIACI.** Mixture of Guaiacum. (*Guaiaci Res.* ʒij., *Sacch.* ̄ss. *Mist. Acaciæ* f̄jss., *Aq. Cinnam.* f̄xxix. Rub the Guaiacum with the sugar, then with the mixture of Acacia; and add gradually the cinnamon water.) *Lac Guaiaci.*

*Oper.* The same as the guaiacum in substance.

*Use.* In rheumatism, retrocedent gout, and dropsy.

*Dose.* f̄jss. to f̄ij. night and morning; diluting freely with tepid barley water or gruel.

**MISTURA MOSCHI.** Musk Mixture, (*Moschi*, *Acaciæ* cont., *Sacchari sing.* ʒij, *Aq. Rosæ* ʒj. Rub the musk with the sugar, then add the gum, and by degrees the rose water.) *Mistura Moschata.*

*Oper.* Antispasmodic, diaphoretic.

*Use.* This is a convenient form of exhibiting musk. The late Mr. White, of Manchester, found the musk mixture, combined with

ammonia ℥ss. spirit of lavender f℥j. and spirit of juniper f℥j. of great utility in sloughing phagedenic ulcers, of a syphilitic and strumous nature.

*Dose.* f℥ss. to f℥ij. every four or five hours.

*Incomp.* Bichloridum hydrargyri, sulphas ferri, mineral acids, infusion of yellow cinchona.

**MISTURA SPIRITUS VINI GALLICI.** Mixture of Brandy. (*Spir. Vini Gallici, Aq. Cinnamomi, sing. f℥iv., Sacchar purif. ℥i. Ovorum duorum Vitellos, Cinnam. olei ℥ij. Mix.*)

*Use.* Excitant. A dangerous mixture, calculated to encourage a desire for spirituous liquors.

**MORUS.** Mulberry. (*Morus Nigra, Monæcia Tetrandria. N. O. Urticaceæ. Italy. h.*)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste sweet, subacid; contains tartaric acid, jelly and mucus.

*Oper.* Cooling laxative.

*Use.* Seldom used medicinally; as an article of food they are wholesome, unless eaten too freely, in which case they occasion diarrhoea.

*Off. Prep.* *Syrupus Mori.*

**MORPHIA.** Morphine (*Morph. Hydrochlorat. ℥j. Liq. Ammoniacæ f℥v. Aq. distill. 0j.*) Add the Hydrochlorate of Morphia first dissolved in the pint of water to the solution of Ammonia with an ounce of water, shaking them together. Wash what is thrown down with distilled water, and dry it with a gentle heat.

*Prop.* Inodorous; colourless, or pure white, bitter taste, partially soluble in hot water and spirits of wine; it is soluble in the volatile and fixed oil.

*Use.* Chiefly to prepare the more soluble salts. Dissolved in oil, and rubbed upon the skin produces narcotic effects.

*Off. Prep.* *Morphia Acet.*

**MORPHIÆ ACETAS.** Acetate of Morphia (*Morphiæ ℥vi. Acid. Aceticæ. f℥iij. Aquæ distill. f℥iv.*) Mix the acid with the water and pour them upon the Morphia to saturation. Let the liquor evaporate with a gentle heat that crystals may be formed.

*Prop.* Inodorous, taste bitter, crystals soft silky prisms; soluble in water especially when there is a slight excess of acid, and less so in alcohol.

*Oper.* Powerfully narcotic and sedative.

*Use.* In all cases in which opium is used, but possesses this advantage over the latter, viz. that its use is not followed by headache or sickness.

*Dose.* gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$  to gr. i.

*Incomp.* The strong acids, the alkalis and alkaline earths, and many or most earthy and metallic salts.

**MORPHIÆ HYDROCHLORAS.** Hydrochlorate of Morphia. (*Opii concis. ℥ij. Plumbi Chloridi Crystalli ℥ij. vel q. s. s. Carbon. Animalis purif. ℥iijss. Acid. Hydrochloricæ, Aq. distill., Liq. Ammoniacæ. aa q. s. s.*)

Macerate the Opium in four pints of distilled Water for thirty hours, and bruise it; afterwards digest it for twenty hours more and press it. Macerate what remains again and a third time in water, that it may become free from taste, and as often bruise and press it. Evaporate the mixed liquors, with a heat of  $140^{\circ}$ . to the consistence of a syrup. Then add three pints of distilled Water, and when the impurities have subsided pour off the supernatant liquor. Gradually add to this two ounces of Chloride of Lead, or as much as may be sufficient, first dissolved in four pints of boiling distilled Water, till nothing further is precipitated. Pour off the liquor and wash what remains frequently with distilled Water. Then evaporate the mixed liquors as before, with a gentle heat, that crystals may be formed. Press these in a cloth, then dissolve them in a pint of distilled Water, and digest with an ounce and a half of animal Charcoal, in a heat of  $120^{\circ}$ , and strain. Lastly, the Charcoal being washed, evaporate the liquors cautiously that pure crystals may be produced. To the liquor poured off from the crystals first separated, previously mixed with a pint of water, gradually drop in as much Solution of Ammonia, frequently shaking it, as may be sufficient to precipitate all the Morphia. To this, washed with distilled Water, add Hydrochloric Acid that it may be saturated; afterwards digest it with two ounces of Animal Charcoal and strain. Lastly, the Animal Charcoal being thoroughly washed, evaporate the liquors cautiously, that pure crystals may be produced.

*Use.* The Hydrochlorate may be preferred to the Acetate of Morphia as it is more easily obtained in a crystallized form, and is not so subject to decomposition, during its preparation.

*Dose.* The same as the Acetate.

**MOSCHUS.** Musk. (*Moschus Moschiferus*, the Musk Deer. *Mammalia. Pecora, Ruminantia.* Cuv. Asia.)

*Prop.* Odour peculiar, aromatic, strong, durable; taste bitterish; colour dark reddish brown; feel slightly unctuous; partially soluble in water, yielding to it taste and smell; soluble in alcohol and sulphuric acid, with the loss of its odour.

*Oper.* Stimulant, antispasmodic, diaphoretic.

*Use.* In spasmodic affections, as hysteria, singultus, pertussis, trismus, and epilepsy; in which we have seen it, when given to the extent of  $\mathfrak{zss}$ . three times a day, stop the fits in an old and confirmed case for three months. In typhus attended with subsultus tendinum; in cholera it checks the vomiting; and it arrests the progress of gangrene. It raises the pulse, and excites the nervous system, without heating.

*Dose.* Gr. ij. to  $\mathfrak{zss}$ . every three or four hours, in a bolus.

*Off. Prep.* *Mistura Moschi.*

**MUCUNA.** P. 1824. *Dolich. Pubes.* Cowhage. (*M. Pruriens. Diadelph. Decandria.* N. O. Leguminosæ.) *Dolichos pruriens.*

*Use.* For dislodging the round worm. Seldom used.

**MYRISTICA.** P. 1824. *Myristic. Nuclei.* Nutmegs; Mace, and Essential Oil. (*Diacea. Monadelph.* N. O. *Myristicæ.* The Moluccas. *L.*)



**Prop.** Nutmegs have a fragrant, aromatic odour, and an agreeable, pungent taste; are roundish, greyish brown, streaked, unctuous, and easily cut. Alcohol extracts their active matter. The mace is membranous, of a red-yellow colour, unctuous, with the odour and taste of the nutmeg. The oil is colourless, possessing the odour and taste of the nutmeg in an eminent degree.

**Oper.** Stimulant, stomachic, narcotic in large doses.

**Use.** To relieve nausea and vomiting, and to check diarrhœa; but chiefly to give flavour to other remedies. Being narcotic, they are hurtful in apoplectic and paralytic habits.

**Dose.** Of the nutmeg and mace gr. v. to ℥i.; of the oil ℥ij. to ℥vj.

**Off. Prep.** Of the nutmeg, *Spiritus Myristicæ*, *Tinct. Lavandulæ Comp.*, *Confectio Aromatica*, *Spir. Armoracæ comp.*, *Emplast. Picis*.

**MYRRHA.** Myrrh. (*Balsamodendron Myrrha*, *Octand. Monogy.* N. O. *Bursaracæ*. Abyssinia, Arabia Felix.

**Comp.** Resin, mucro-extractive, volatile oil.

**Prop.** Odour fragrant, peculiar; taste bitter, aromatic; in reddish-yellow, light, brittle, irregular tears, or in masses; partially soluble in distilled water, when aided by friction; alcohol dissolves only the resin; soluble in alkalies; spec. grav. 1.360; easily pulverized.

**Oper.** Stimulant, expectorant.

**Use.** In cachectic complaints, humoral asthma, chronic catarrh, and phthisis pulmonalis unattended by hectic, or much active inflammation.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ℥j. in powder, united with nitre, camphor, sulphate of potash, sulphate of zinc, or of iron.

**Off. Prep.** *Tinct. Myrrhæ*, *Pilulæ Aloes comp.*, *Pil. Ferri Comp.*, *Pil. Sulfuricæ Comp.*, *Pil. Rhei. Comp.*, *Pil. Aloes Cum. Myrrh.*, *Mist. Ferri Comp.*

**NUX VOMICA.** Nux vomica. Ratsbane, Strychnos Nux Vomica, *Pentland Monogyn* N. O. *Adocymacæ*. India.

**Prop.** Inodorous, taste bitter; poisonous. Its efficacy as a remedy depends on a peculiar alkali which has been named strychnia.

**Oper.** Tonic, stimulant; when taken in large doses, it produces tetanic spasms.

**Use.** In dyspepsia; gout; rheumatism; and especially in paralysis of the lower extremities.

**Dose.** From gr. iij. to gr. xij.

**OLEUM ÆTHEREUM.** Æthereal Oil. *Spt. Rect. ℔ij. Acid. Sulp. ℔iv.*, *Liq. Potassæ. Aq. Distill. ā ā ℥j.*, *vel. q. s. s.*, Mix the Acid cautiously with the Spirit, Let the liquor distil until a black froth arises; then immediately remove the retort from the fire. Separate the lighter supernatant liquor from the heavier one, and expose the former to the air for a day. Add to it the Solution of Potash first mixed with water, and shake them together. Lastly when sufficiently washed, separate the æthereal oil which subsides.

**Prop.** Odour and taste of æther; less volatile, oily, thick, of a yellow colour; insoluble in water, soluble in alcohol.

**Use.** As an ingredient in the compound spirit of æther.

**Off. Prep.** *Spiritus Ætheris Sulphurici Compositus*.

**OLEUM AMYGDALÆ.** P. 1824. *Oleum Amygdalarum.* Oil of Almonds. (Expressed from both sweet and bitter almonds.)  $\text{℥xvj.}$  of Almonds yield  $\text{℥v.}$  of oil, *Oleum Amygdalæ.*

**Prop.** Inodorous, insipid; of a pale straw colour; unctuous, limpid, lighter than water; insoluble in water and alcohol, but miscible in distilled water by means of mucilage or yolk of egg; attracts oxygen from the atmosphere, and becomes dense, viscid and rancid.

**Oper.** Demulcent, emollient.

**Use.** In catarrh and coughs, united with water by means of mucilage and sugar, or a few drops of liquor ammoniæ. An injection composed of oil of almonds  $\text{f℥iv.}$  and solution of subacetate of lead  $\text{℥viij.}$  is said to be useful at the commencement of gonorrhœa.

**Dose.**  $\text{f℥ss.}$  to  $\text{f℥j.}$

**OLEUM ANISI.** Oil of Aniseed.

**Prop.** Odour that of the vegetable; taste pungent, bitter, sweetish; very pale yellow colour; crystallizes at  $50^{\circ}$ , in flat tables.

**Oper.** Stimulant, carminative.

**Use.** In flatulent, colic.

**Dose.**  $\text{℥v.}$  to  $\text{℥xv.}$  rubbed up with sugar and camphor mixture.

**Off. Prep.** *Tinctura Camph. Comp.*

**OLEUM ANTHEMIDIS.** Oil of Chamomile. *Oleum Chamomeli.*

**Prop.** Odour that of the flower; taste pungent; colour when recent cerulean blue; but when old, a dark yellow.

**Oper.** Stimulant, antispasmodic.

**Use.** In colics, cramps of the stomach, and as an adjunct to purgative pills.

**Dose.**  $\text{℥v.}$  to  $\text{℥x.}$

**OLEUM CARUI.** Oil of Caraway.

**Prop.** Odour that of the seeds; taste pungent, sweetish; colour yellow; tenacious.

**Oper.** Stimulant, carminative.

**Use.** In flatulent colic; and as an adjunct to purgative pills.

**Dose.**  $\text{℥j.}$  to  $\text{℥x.}$

**Off. Prep.** *Confectio Scammonii, Pilulæ Aloes Comp., Pil. Rhei. Comp.*

**OLEUM JUNIPERI.** Oil of Juniper. *Ol. Juniperi Baccæ.*

**Prop.** Odour similar to that of turpentine; taste acrid, hot, similar to that of the berry; colour greenish yellow; deposits a feculent matter when kept.

**Oper.** Stimulant, carminative, diaphoretic, diuretic.

**Use.** In dropsies; advantageously added to Digitalis when it is given in the form of pills.

**Dose.**  $\text{℥ij.}$  to  $\text{℥x.}$  or more, rubbed up with sugar or mucilage and water.

**OLEUM LAVANDULÆ.** Oil of Lavender.

**Prop.** Odour very fragrant, that of the flower; taste warm; of a lemon colour.

**Oper.** Stimulant.

**Use.** In hysteria and nervous headaches.

**Dose.**  $\text{℥j.}$  to  $\text{℥v.}$  on a lump of sugar.

**OLEUM LINI.** Linseed Oil. (Expressed from the bruised seeds.)

*Comp.* Nearly the same as those of olive oil, with some mucilage.

*Prop.* Odour strong; taste unpleasant, nauseous; does not congeal by cold; becomes easily rancid.

*Oper.* Demulcent, emollient laxative.

*Use.* It has been given with advantage in ileus, when purgatives have failed; but it is chiefly used in the form of glyster, in flatulent colic; attended with costiveness; and in abrasions of the rectum:—externally in burns and wounds.

*Dose.* fʒss. to fʒj.; in clysters fʒiij. to fʒvj.

**OLEUM MENTHÆ PIPERITÆ.** Oil of Peppermint. *Ol. Menthæ Piperitidis.*

*Prop.* Odour strong, that of the plant; taste acrid, very hot and biting, with a peculiar sensation of coldness; lighter than water; colour brown yellow.

*Oper.* Stimulant, antispasmodic carminative.

*Use.* In cramp of the stomach and flatulent colic.

*Dose.* ℥j. to ℥iij. rubbed up with sugar or mucilage.

*Off. Prep.* *Spir. Menth. Pip.*

**OLEUM MENTHÆ PULEGII.** Oil of Pennyroyal.

*Prop.* Odour and taste of the plant; warm, pungent.

*Oper.* Excitant.

*Use.* In flatulence, hysteria, amenorrhœa.

*Dose.* ℥iij. to ℥viij.

*Off. Prep.* *Spir. Menth. Pulegii.*

**OLEUM MENTHÆ VIRIDIS.** Oil of Spearmint.

*Prop.* Odour that of the plant; taste warm, pungent.

*Oper.* Stimulant, carminative.

*Use.* In flatulence, and anorexia.

*Dose.* ℥ij. to ℥v. on a lump of sugar.

*Off. Prep.* *Spir. Menth. Viridis.*

**OLEUM MYRISTICÆ.** Oil of Nutmeg.

*Oper.* Stimulant, stomachic, narcotic.

*Use.* To relieve nausea and vomiting.

*Off. Prep.* *Emp. Picis.*

**OLEUM ORIGANI.** Oil of Origanum.

*Prop.* Odour that of the plant; taste hot, very acrid; of a yellow colour.

*Oper.* Stimulant, narcotic.

*Use.* Scarcely ever given internally; a drop of it put into a carious tooth relieves the pain of toothache.

**OLEUM PIMENTÆ.** Oil of Pimento.

*Prop.* Odour very fragrant; taste that of the pimento in an increased degree; colour a red brown; heavier than water.

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* In debilities of the stomach, colic, and tympanitis.

*Dose.* ℥iij. to ℥v. rubbed with sugar.



**OLEUM RICINI.** Castor Oil. (Bruise the castor seeds, previously decorticated; then express the oil without the application of heat.)  $\mathfrak{z}$ xiv. of the seeds yield about  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ij. of oil. *Ol. c. Seminibus Ricini.*

**Prop.** Recently drawn inodorous, nearly insipid; colourless, or of a very pale straw colour; thick but perfectly transparent; lighter than water. It becomes soon rancid by keeping; thickens; deepens in colour to a reddish-brown and has a hot, nauseous taste.

**Oper.** Purgative.

**Use.** In all cases where stimulant purgatives would be hurtful; particularly in dysentery, colica pictonum; calculous complaints and ileus; and, as it operates very quickly, in spasmodic affections. It is an excellent purge at all times for children, women in child-bed, and after surgical operations in which the viscera are at all concerned. It is also a good adjunct to clysters.

**Dose.**  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ss. to  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ jss. either floated on a little water, and covered with a small quantity of spirit, or in the following draught.  $\mathcal{R}$  Olei ricini  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ss., mucilaginis q. s. tere optime. et paulatim adde aquæ distillatæ  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ss., spir. lavandulæ comp.  $\mathcal{M}$ xx., syr. tolutani  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ss. Misce.

**OLEUM ROSMARINI.** Oil of Rosemary. *Oleum Roris Marini.*

**Comp.** The same as other essential oils, with some camphor.

**Prop.** Odour very fragrant, and taste like that of the plant; limpid like water; deposits crystals of camphor when long kept.

**Oper.** Stimulant.

**Use.** In nervous complaints.

**Dose.**  $\mathcal{M}$ ij. to  $\mathcal{M}$ vj. rubbed up with sugar.

**OLEUM SAMBUCI.** Oil of Elder Flowers.

**Prop.** Odour that of the flowers.

**Oper.** Moderately excitant.

**OLEA DISTILLATA.** The fruit of Anise, Carraway, and Juniper, the Flowers of Chamomile, Lavender, and Elder, the Berries of Pimenta, the tops of Rosemary, and the entire and fresh Herbs of the rest should be employed.

Put any one of these into an alembic, and add as much Water as is sufficient to cover it, then let the Oil distil into a large cold vessel.

**Remarks.** Distilled Oils are frequently called volatile, essential, or æthereal oils. Their chemical characters are nearly the same from whatever vegetables they are procured; but in their sensible qualities they vary considerably, possessing different colours, consistence, smell, and taste; the two latter properties are, of course, derived from that of the plant from which they are ob-

tained; their colours, like those of the fluid fixed oils, are various shades of yellow, green, and brown: they are generally fluid; but some of them, as especially oil of anise, congeal by a very moderate reduction of temperature. They are very sparingly soluble in water, but sufficiently so to impart their smell and flavour to it. They are very readily dissolved by spirit of wine, and they boil at different temperatures. Their volatility is much increased by the presence of water, with the vapour of which they rise in distillation, at a temperature considerably below their boiling point. They are extremely combustible, and much more so than the expressed oils. Most of them are lighter than water, but some sink in that fluid: among the former are the oils of lavender, rosemary, and mint; and of the latter, the oils of cassia, cinnamon, and cloves are examples. They are easily decomposed by sulphuric and by nitric acid, and when suddenly mixed with the latter, some of them inflame.

Like the expressed oils, they are composed of different proportions of oxygen, hydrogen, and carbon.

The volatile oils are capable of dissolving the fixed oils, and hence the latter are sometimes employed in adulterating them: this fraud may be easily detected by dropping some of the suspected oil on paper: if there be any fixed oil mixed with it, it will remain on the paper after exposure to a moderate heat. Where a cheaper volatile oil has been employed to adulterate a more costly one, the detection can scarcely be made by any other means than by the difference of odour. If spirit of wine be mixed with the oil, then, when it is dropped upon water, a milky fluid is formed, instead of there remaining a transparent film of oil on the surface of the water.

**OLEUM SUCCINI.** Oil of Amber. Put Amber into an alembic, so that an Acid Liquor, an Oil, and a Salt, contaminated with the Oil, may distil in a sand-bath, with a heat gradually increased. Afterwards, let the Oil distil again and a third time.

*Prop.* Odour strong, foetid, bituminous; taste pungent, acrid, soluble in water; imperfectly in alcohol; nearly colourless at first, but it gradually becomes brown.

*Oper.* Stimulant, antispasmodic, diuretic, rubefacient.

*Use.* In hysteria, epilepsy, and deficient menstruation: externally in paralysis, and chronic rheumatism of the joints. The following is recommended as a friction in tic douloureux: *R.* Ol. succini f̄ss. tinct. opii, f̄ss. misce.

*Dose.* ℥v. to ℥xij. rubbed up with mucilage.

**OLEUM TEREBINTHINÆ PURIFICATUM.** Rectified Oil of Turpentine. (*Olei Terebinthinæ* ʒj. *Aquæ* Oiv. Cautiously distil over the oil.)

*Prop.* Odour penetrating; taste hot, pungent; colourless, limpid, lighter than water, volatile; sparingly soluble in alcohol.

*Oper.* Stimulant, diuretic, sudorific, anthelmintic, rubefacient.

*Use.* In chronic rheumatism, lumbago, and sciatica; and in passive uterine hæmorrhages, dropped into the ear in deafness from defect of wax; applied to indolent tumours; and in embrocation, in

rheumatism and bruises. It has lately been given in very large doses, alone, or united with honey, against the *tænia solium*, which it brings away entire, dead, after two or three doses.

*Dose.* ℥x. to fʒj. in the first cases; but for the expulsion of *tænia* fʒss. to fʒij. every eight hours.

*Off. Prep.* *Linimentum Terebinthinæ, Enema Terebinthinæ.*

•• It forms the greater part of a reputed quack medicine, *Whitehead's Essence of Mustard.*

**OLIBANUM.** *Olibanum.* (*Boswellia Serrata.* *Decandria, Monogynia.* India.) *Olibanum Gummi Resina.*

*Comp.* Gum resin, volatile oil.

*Prop.* Odour peculiar, aromatic; taste bitterish, slightly pungent; in grains of different sizes, semi-transparent, brittle; colour reddish-yellow; partly soluble in alcohol; forms a milky emulsion when triturated with water.

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* Seldom used, except as a perfume in sick rooms.

**OLIVÆ OLEUM.** *Olive Oil.* (*Olea Europea, Diand. Monogynia, N. O. Oleaceæ.* South of Europe. ʒ.) Expressed from the ripe fruit.

*Comp.* Carbon 79, hydrogen 21 parts: perhaps some oxygen: or according to *Braconnot*, of oil of a greenish yellow colour 72, very white suet 28 parts.

*Prop.* Inodorous, insipid; transparent, of the palest straw colour; lighter than water; cannot combine with it, nor with alcohol, but may be diffused through water by means of mucilage; boils at 600° of Fah., therefore not volatile; congeals at 38°: attracts oxygen, and becomes rancid, when exposed to the air; forms soaps with the alkalies, and lime; plasters with oxides of lead.

*Oper.* Demulcent, emollient, gently laxative.

*Use.* In catarrhs and pulmonary complaints; in emulsion with mucilage; in a simple state, when acrid matters are taken into the stomach; externally it has been advantageously used as a friction in plague; as an injection in gonorrhœa; an adjunct to clysters in dysentery and abrasions; and in the formation of ointments and plasters.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒj. triturated with mucilage, or mixed with water by means of a few drops of liq. potassæ, or liquor ammoniæ.

**OPIUM.** *Opium.* (*Papaver Somniferum. Polyand. Monogynia, N. O. Papaveraceæ.* South of Europe. 3.)

*Comp.* Gummy matter, resin, caoutchouc, gluten, a volatile oil, narcotina, codeia, meconina, narceia, and morphia, meconic acid, alum, sulphate of lime and of potassa, iron: besides which, opium generally contains  $\frac{1}{4}$  its weight of impurities.

*Prop.* **TURKEY OPIUM.**—Odour heavy, narcotic; taste nauseous, bitter, acrid, warm; in flat pieces, solid, tenacious: of a dark brown colour, yellowish when powdered; marks on paper a light brown interrupted streak. **EAST INDIAN.**—Odour the same, and



empyreumatic; taste less bitter, but more nauseous, colour darker. Opium is partially soluble in water, and in alcohol; very soluble in vinegar, and in oil.

*Oper.* Stimulant in small doses, but in larger narcotic, antispasmodic, diaphoretic, sedative, anodyne; operating through the nerves on the living solid; externally its stimulant effects are considerable, but soon followed by its narcotic.

*Use.* In all painful affections, where the inflammatory diathesis is not very considerable; in diarrhœa and dysentery; intermittents; in typhus, in smaller doses as a cordial, in larger to allay irritation and produce sleep; cholera and pyrosis; retrocedent gout; and in convulsive and spasmodic diseases. When combined with calomel in inflammation after blood-letting, and in syphilis, as well as to arrest the progress of gangrene. It is employed in a watery solution, containing gr. ij. to fʒj. of water, as an injection in gonorrhœa and spasmodic stricture, as an adjunct to clysters in diarrhœa; and by friction, united with oil, in tetanus and other spasms.

*Dose.* Gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$  to gr. ss. to produce its stimulant effects; gr. j. to gr. iv. its narcotic; but in spasmodic complaints it has been given to a very great extent.

*Incomp.* Lime water, alkaline carbonates, bichloride of mercury, nitrate of silver, sulphates of zinc, copper, and iron, infusion of yellow bark, astringent solutions; acetate of lead precipitates the watery solution.

\* \* When opium has been taken as a poison, the stomach should be first evacuated by the stomach pump, worked with infusion of yellow bark, or by emetics containing very little water, and after the whole of the opium has been evacuated, acidulous fluids freely exhibited; but these, and all watery fluids are hurtful, if vomiting has not been freely induced.

*Off. Prep.* *Confectio Opii*, *Extractum Opii*, *Pil. Saponis comp.*, *Pil. Stryacis comp.*, *Pulv. Kino. comp.*, *Pulv. Cretæ Comp. Cum Opio*, *Pulv. Ipecacuanhæ Comp.*, *Tinct. Opii*, *Tinct. Camphoræ Comp.*, *Vinum Opii*, *Liniment. Opii*, *Emplast. Opii*, *Unguent. Gallæ comp.*

**OPOPONAX.** P. 1824. *Opoponacis Gummi Resina*. Opoponax. (Pastinaca Opoponax, *Penland. Digyn. N. O. Umbellifera.* Italy. 24.) Exudes from the roots when wounded. *Opoponax, Gummi Resina.*

*Comp.* Gum resin, a trace of caoutchouc, a volatile oil.

*Prop.* Odour strong, peculiar; taste bitter, acrid; in lumps of a reddish-yellow colour, white within; forms a milky solution when triturated with water.

*Oper.* Antispasmodic, emmenagogue.

*Use.* In hysteria and chlorosis, but is seldom used.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒss.

**ORIGANUM.** Common Marjoram. (*Origanum Vulgare, Didynam. Gymnosperm. N. O. Labiatæ. Indigenus.* 24.)

**Prop.** Odour fragrant; taste aromatic, pungent, not unlike that of thyme.

**Oper.** Tonic, stomachic, emmenagogue?

**Use.** In debilities of the stomach: scarcely ever used.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ℥j. in powder.

**Off. Prep.** *Oleum Origani.*

**OVUM.** Egg. (Phasianus Gallus, the Common Fowl, Cl. *Aves*. Ord *Gallinæ*.)

**Oper.** Nutritive.

**Use.** The yolk and white swallowed raw are said to be useful in jaundice; in convalescencies the yolk is given, beat up with sugar and wine; triturated with oils, it renders them miscible with water.

**Off. Prep.** *Enema Terebinth.*

**OXYMEL.** Simple Oxymel. (*Mellis ℞ss.*, *Acidi Acetici Ojss.* Mix the acid with the honey made hot.) *Mel Acetatum.*

**Oper.** Cooling, diaphoretic; externally detergent.

**Use.** In fevers and peripneumonia; as an adjunct to gargles in cynanche tonsillaris.

**Dose.** f℥j. to f℥j. dissolved in barley water.

**OXYMEL SCILLÆ.** Oxymel of Squill. (*Mellis ℞ij.*, *Aceti Scillæ Ojss.* Boil in a glass vessel, over a gentle fire, to a proper consistence.) The boiling is hurtful, destroying the acrimony on which the virtue of squill depends.

**Oper.** Expectorant, diuretic, aperient; in large doses emetic.

**Use.** In humoral asthma, chronic coughs, dropsy; to excite vomiting in pertussis.

**Dose.** f℥ss. to f℥ss. in cinnamon water or any other aromatic water.

**PAPAYER.** Poppy. (*Papaver Somniferum*. Class and order, see Opium.) The ripe, dried seed-vessels. *Papaver alum. Capsula.*

**Oper.** Relaxant, anodyne.

**Use.** Externally, as a fomentation (℥iv. of the dried heads being bruised and boiled in Oiv. of water to Oij.) to inflamed or ulcerated parts. The addition of a little distilled vinegar aids the narcotic power of the decoction.

**Off. Prep.** *Syrupus Papaveris*, *Ext. Papaveris*, *Decoct. Papaveris*.

**PAREIRA.** Pareira. (*Cissampelos Pareira* N. O. *Mumispermeæ*. South America. 2.)

**Prop.** The root large with bitter tasted bark.

**Oper.** Tonic, in large doses Aperient; diuretic exercising peculiar influence over the mucous membrane of the urinary organs and passages.

**Use.** In cases of irritation of the bladder, and ulceration of the kidneys, leucorrhœa and dropsy.

**Off. Prep.** *Ext. Pareiræ*, *Infus. Pareiræ*.

**PETROLEUM.** Barbadoes Tar.

**Prop.** Odour fœtid; taste bitter, acrid; semi-liquid, tenacious,



semi-transparent; of a reddish brown colour; insoluble in water and alcohol: combines with fixed and essential oils, and sulphur; and is partially soluble in æther.

*Oper.* Antispasmodic, sudorific; externally stimulant and discutient.

*Use.* In asthma, and coughs unattended with inflammation; externally in diseases of the hip joint, rheumatic pains, and paralytic limbs, applied by friction.

*Dose.* ℞. to fʒss.

**PHOSPHORUS.** Phosphorus.

*Prop.* Is a pale yellow semi-transparent, crystallisable solid; it fumes in the air, being luminous in the dark, and friction or a gentle heat causes it to ignite; insoluble in water.

*Oper.* It is poisonous in large doses, even 2 grs. are said to produce death, though a man in London called the "Fire Eater" swallowed 16 grs. without injury. In small doses it is stimulant exciting the nervous, vascular and secreting organs. It has more particularly been supposed to stimulate the sexual organs and to act as an aphrodisiac.

*Use.* It has been employed in typhus, epilepsy, paralysis, but seldom used in England.

*Dose.* Gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$  to gr. ij.

*Off. Prep.* Acid. Phosphoricum.

**PILULÆ ALOES COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Aloetic Pills. (*Aloetis pulv.* ʒj. *Ext. Gentianæ* ʒss., *Olei Carui* ℞xl. *Syr. q. s. s.*)

**PILULÆ ALOES CUM MYRRHÆ.** Aloetic pills with Myrrh, (*Aloes* ʒij., *Crocī*, *Myrrhæ sing.* ʒj., *Syr. q. s. s.*) Rub the Aloes and Myrrh separately to powder; then beat the whole together until incorporated.

*Oper.* Cathartic, emmenagogue.

*Use.* In chlorotic, hypochondriacal, and cachectic habits, to stimulate and open the bowels.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to ʒj. made into pills.

**PILULÆ CONII COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Pills of Hemlock. (*Conii. Ext.* ʒv., *Ipecacuanhæ Cont.* ʒj., *Mist. Acaciæ q. s. s.*) Beat them together until incorporated.

*Oper.* Narcotic, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In phthisis, pertussis, and bronchitis.

*Dose.* Gr. ij. to gr. viij.

**PILULÆ GALBANI COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Galbanum Pills. (*Galbani* ʒj., *Myrrhæ*, *Sagapeni, sing.* ʒjss. *Assafetidæ* ʒss. *Syrup q. s. s.* Beat them together until incorporated.)

*Oper.* Antispasmodic and emmenagogue.

*Use.* In chlorosis, hysteria, and hypochondriasis.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. made into pills, every night at bed-time.

**PILULÆ CAMBOGIÆ COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Camboge Pills. (*Cambogiæ contritæ* ʒj., *cont. Aloes* ʒjss., *Zingiberis* ʒss., *Saponis*.



3ij. Mix the powders together, afterwards the soap being added, beat the whole together.)

*Oper.* Cathartic.

*Use.* In obstinate costiveness.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to ʒj in pills occasionally.

**PILULÆ FERRI COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Pills of Iron. *Myrrhæ cont.* 3ij., *Sodæ Carbon.*, *Ferrī Sulphatis*, *Sacch fac.* ā ā 3j.) Rub the Myrrh with the Carbonate of Soda; then, the Sulphate of Iron being added, rub them again; afterwards beat the whole in a vessel previously warmed until incorporated.

*Oper.* Tonic, emmenagogue.

*Use.* In dyspepsia and chlorosis.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. in pills, twice or thrice a day.

**PILULÆ HYDRARGYRI.** Mercurial Pills. (*Hydrarg.* 3ij. *Confect. Rosæ Gallicæ* 3ij. *Glycyrrhizæ cont.* ʒj. Rub the quicksilver with the confection until the globules disappear; then add the liquorice-root powder, and beat the whole into a uniform mass.)

*Comp.* Sub-oxide of mercury, and the other ingredients, the mercury being converted into the black oxide by the rubbing; hence the name should have been *Pilulæ Sub-oxide Hydrargyri*.

*Oper.* Antisyphilitic, alterative; in large doses purgative.

*Use.* In syphilis, perhaps the best form of the remedy; in some cutaneous diseases and intermittents, attended with visceral and lymphatic obstructions; to purge in jaundice, dropsies, and ileus.

*Dose.* For the former objects gr. v. to gr. x. twice a day, united with opium, if the bowels are easily affected; for the latter gr. xij. to ʒj. every three or four hours.

**PILULÆ HYDRARGYRI CHLORIDI COMPOSITÆ.** P. 1824.—*— Sabm. Comp., Plumbers Pill.* Compound Pills of Chloride of Mercury. (*Hydrargyri Chlor.*, *Antimonii Oxysulphur. sing.* 3ij. *Guaiaei Res. contritæ* ʒss. *Sacchari fæcis* 3ij. Rub the Chloride of Mercury with the oxysulphuret of Antimony, afterwards with the Guaiacum Resina, and the treacle until incorporated.)

*Oper.* Alterative, diaphoretic.

*Use.* In lepra; secondary syphilis, affecting the skin; and old venereal ulcers. The decoction of elm bark, or of sarsaparilla, is generally ordered to be taken at the same time.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to gr. x. in pills, night and morning.

**PILULÆ HYDRARGYRI IODIDI.** Pills of Iodide of Mercury. (*Hydrarg. Iodidi.* ʒj. *Conf. Rosæ Can.* 3ij., *Zingib. pulv.* ʒj.) Beat them together until incorporated.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as the Iodide of Mercury.

**PILULÆ IPECACUANHÆ COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Pills of Ipecacuanha. (*Pulv. Ipecac. Comp.*, 3ij., *Scillæ Recent, Ammoniaci* ā ā ʒj. *Acacia Mixture, q. s. s.*) Beat them together until incorporated.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as those of the compound powder of ipecacuanha.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to gr. x.

**PILULÆ RHEI COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Rhubarb Pills, (*Rhei*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ ., *Aloes*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{v}\mathfrak{j}$ ., *Myrrhæ* *Con.*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{ss}$ ., *Saponis*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ ., *Ol. Carui*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{ss}$ ., *Syrupi* *q. s. s.*) Beat them into a mass.

*Oper.* Laxative, stomachic.

*Use.* In dyspepsia attended with costiveness.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ . twice a day.

**PILULÆ SAPONIS COMPOSITÆ.** P. 1824. ————— *Cum* *Opio.* Compound Pills of Soap. (*Opii Duri Contriti*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{ss}$ . *Saponis*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{i}\mathfrak{j}$ .) Gr. v. contain gr. j. of opium. *Pilulæ Opii.*, Beat them together until incorporated.

**PILULÆ STYRACIS COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Storax Pills, (*Styracis Col.*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{i}\mathfrak{j}$ ., *Opii Duri cont.*, *Croci*  $\mathfrak{a}\mathfrak{a}$   $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ .) Gr. vj. contain gr. j. of opium. Beat them together until incorporated.

*Oper.* These forms are intended to operate as sedatives, and anodynes; the names given to them are well adapted for cases where the patient or his friends may have an objection to opium, as it can thus be given without appearing in the prescription.

*Use.* To procure sleep.

**PILULÆ SAGAPENI COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Pills of Sagapenum (*Sagapeni*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ ., *Aloes*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{ss}$ ., *Syr. Zing.* *q. s. s.*) Beat them together until incorporated.

*Oper.* Purgative.

*Dose.* Gr. x.

**PILULÆ SCILLÆ COMPOSITÆ.** Compound Squill Pills. (*Scillæ recent. exsiccatæ et cont.*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ ., *Zingiberis contritæ*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{i}\mathfrak{j}$ ., *Saponis*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{i}\mathfrak{j}$ ., *Ammoniaci contriti*  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{i}\mathfrak{j}$ . *Syrup, q. s. s.*) Mix the powders together, then beat them with the soap, and add the syrup so as to obtain a proper consistence.

*Oper.* Expectorant, diuretic.

*Use.* In asthma and chronic catarrh; as an adjunct to digitalis in hydrothorax, and other dropsies.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ . twice or thrice a day.

**PIMENTA.** *Piper Jamaicense.* Pimento. (*Myrtus Pimenta, Icos-* and *Monogyn.* N. O. *Myrtaceæ.* West Indies.  $\mathfrak{h}$ .) *Pimento. Bacca.*

*Prop.* Odour aromatic, resembling a mixture of cinnamon, nutmeg, and cloves; taste pungent, but mixed like the odour; colour reddish-brown. (The unripe fruit dried.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, carminative.

*Use.* Chiefly as a condiment; and as an adjunct to other medicines.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ .

*Off. Prep.* *Aqua Pimentæ, Oleum Pimentæ, Spir. Pimentæ, Syrupus Rhamni.*

**PIPER CUBEBA.** Cubebs (*Piper Cubeba. Diand. Trigyn.* N. O. *Piperaceæ.* Java and Guinea.  $\mathfrak{h}$ .) *Baccæ.*

*Prop.* Odour aromatic; taste cooling at first, afterwards pungent; active principle an essential oil.

*Oper.* Stimulant, purgative and diuretic.

*Use.* In gonorrhœa, gleet, and leucorrhœa.

*Dose.* From  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ . to  $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{j}$ . of the powder, every six hours.

**PIPER LONGUM.** Long Pepper. (*Diand Trigyn. N. O. Piperitæ* Amboyna 2.) The unripe fruit dried in the sun.

**Prop.** Odour aromatic; taste warm, pungent; small round grains disposed spirally on a cylindrical receptacle.

**Oper.** Stimulant, carminative, tonic.

**Use.** In dyspepsia, attended with flatulence; retrocedent gout; and paralysis. As a domestic condiment.

**Dose.** Gr. v. to ℥j.

**Off. Prep.** *Confectio Opii, Pulv. Cinnamomi Comp., Pulv. Cretæ Comp., Tinctura Cinnamomi Comp.*

**PIPER NIGRUM.** Black Pepper. (*Class, and Order as above. Ceylon. 5.*) The unripe fruit dried in the sun.

**Prop.** Odour aromatic; taste pungent, fiery; colour black, corrugated on the surface. Its pungency depends on an essential oil.

**Oper.** Tonic, stimulant, carminative.

**Use.** To check nausea in gouty habits; remove hiccup; and increase excitement in palsy. A watery infusion of pepper has been found a useful gargle in relaxation of the uvula.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ℥j. variously combined.

**Off. Prep.** *Confectio Piperis Nigri, confect. Rutæ.*

•• White Pepper is the same fruit, freed from its cuticle by a preparation of calcareous earth called *Chunam*, applied before it is dried. It is less pungent.

**PIX ABIEFINA.** *Pinus Abies* (vide *Abietis Resina*.) Dried Pitch, or Burgundy Pitch.

**Comp.** Resin, an essential oil.

**Prop.** Concrete, semi-transparent, unctuous, tenacious, fragrant.

**Oper.** Rubefacient, generally exciting an exudation of serous fluid.

**Use.** Externally, spread on leather as plasters; in catarrh, pertussis, dyspnoea.

**Off. Prep.** *Emplast. Picis.*

**PIX LIQUIDA.** *Resina Empyreumatica.* Tar. (Obtained by heat from the Scotch fir.)

**Comp.** Resin, empyreumatic oil, charcoal, acetic acid.

**Prop.** Of a deep brown colour, semi-fluid, tenacious; odour empyreumatic.

**Oper.** Stimulant, diuretic, sudorific; externally detergent.

**Use.** Internally in ichthyosis; externally it is applied to foul ulcers, and tinea capitis.

**Off. Prep.** *Ungentum Picis Liquidæ.*

**PIX NIGRA.** Black Pitch. (*Pinus sylvestris. For Class and Order, vide Abietis Resina.*) The solid prepared resin.

**Prop.** Solid, dry, brittle.

**Oper.** Stimulant.

**Use.** For preparing the ointment.

**Off. Prep.** *Ungentum Picis Nigræ.*

**PLUMBI CARBONAS.** P. 1824, ——— *Subcarbonas.* Carbonate of Lead.



*Comp.* Yellow oxide of lead 83·5, carbonic acid 16·5 parts. (The yellow oxide contains lead 90·5, oxygen 9·5 parts in 100.) or 1 eq. of protoxide of lead = 111·6 + 1 eq. of carbonic acid = 22·12, equiv. = 32·78.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste sweet; brittle, friable, snow white, of a minute scaly texture.

*Oper.* Astringent, sedative.

*Use.* Sprinkled on parts affected with local inflammation; in the formation of ointments and plasters.

**PLUMBI CHLORIDUM.** Chloride of Lead (*Plumbi Acet. 3xix., Aq. Dist. fervent Oijj., Sodii. Chlo. 3vj.*, Dissolve the Acetate of Lead and chloride of Sodium separately, the former in 3 pints of distilled water, and the latter in one pint of distilled water. The liquors being then mixed together, wash what is precipitated with distilled water, when it is cold, and dry it.)

**PLUMBI OXYDUM.** P. 1824. ——— *Semivitreum.* Semi-vitrified Oxide of Lead, or Litharge. (A yellow protoxide of lead, prepared by heat and combined with carbonic acid; often adulterated with other oxides.) *Lithargyrus.*

*Comp.* Yellow oxide of lead 96, carbonic acid 4 parts in 100, or 1 eq. of lead 103·6 + 1 oxygen = 8, equiv. = 111·6

*Prop.* In scales of a whitish-red colour; semi-vitrified.

*Use.* For pharmaceutical purposes.

*Off. Prep.* *Plumbi, Acetas, Liquor Plumbi Diacetatis, Emplast. Plumbi, Ceratum Saponis.*

**PLUMBI ACETAS.** Acetate of Lead. (*Plumbi Oxydi ʒiv.. et ʒij. Acidi Acetici. Aquæ distillatæ ā ā Oiv.* Mix the Acid with water, and add the Oxide of Lead to them, and a gentle heat being applied dissolved it; then strain. Lastly, evaporate the liquor that crystals may be formed.

*Comp.* Oxide of lead 58, acetic acid 26, water of crystallization 16 parts: 1 eq. protoxide of lead = 111·6 + 1 eq. of acetic acid 51·48 + 3 eq. of water = 27, equiv. 190·08.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste sweet, styptic; colour very white, with a silky lustre; crystals spicular; soluble in 24 parts of water, and partially decomposed even in distilled water, the solution becoming turbid; soluble also in alcohol; sp. grav. 2·345.

*Oper.* Astringent; in weak solutions cooling and sedative; in strong (3j. to water f3vj.) stimulant.

*Use.* Internally in visceral hæmorrhagies combined with opium which seems to prevent its deleterious effects, it has latterly been much used in cholera; the following Recipe is given by Dr. Graves. *R Plumbi Acet. ʒj. Opii gr. j.* into 12 pills one every two hours; but acids and acescent food must be avoided. Externally, in solution in phlegmonous inflammations, burns, bruises, gonorrhœa, &c.

*Dose.* Gr. ss. to gr. jss. made into a pill with gr. ss. opium and crumb of bread. Distilled water must be used for the solution, and a little acetic acid added.

**Incomp.** Alkalies, earths, acids, alum, ; borax, soaps, tartarized iron, and antimony ; lime water, hard water, sulphuretted hydrogen.

**Off. Prep.** *Ceratum Plumbi Acetatis*, *Liq. Plumbi diacetat.*, *Plumbi Chlor.*, *Plumbi Iodid.*

**PLUMBI IODIDUM.** Iodide of Lead. (*Plumbi Acet.*  $\text{℥ix.}$ , *Potass. Iodid.*  $\text{℥vii.}$ , *Aq. dist.*  $\text{Cj.}$  Dissolve the Acetate of Lead in six pints of the water and strain, add to these the Iodide of Potassium first dissolved in two pints of the water, wash what is precipitated, and dry it.

**Use.** In forming an Ointment.

**Off. Prep.** *Ung. Plumbi Iodidi.*

**PLUMBI OXYDUM HYDRATUM.** Hydrated Oxide of lead. (*Liq. Plumbi Diacet.*  $\text{Ovj.}$  *Aq. distill.*  $\text{Cij.}$  *Liq. Potass.*  $\text{Ovj.}$  *vel. q. s. s. ad oxydum demittendum.* Mix. Wash what is precipitated with water until nothing alkaline remains.)

**Comp.** Protoxide of lead combined with water in proportions which are not determined.

**Prop.** A perfectly white powder soluble in excess of Potash also in Nitric Acid : with Hydrochloric acid it forms chloride of lead, and with Sulphuric acid an insoluble sulphate.

**Use.** In the preparation of quinine.

**PORRUM.** The Leek. (*For Class and Order, see Alii Radix.*)

**Prop.** Odour peculiar, fragrant ; taste sweetish, slightly acrid.

**Oper.** Expectorant, diuretic.

**Use.** The juice of the recent bulb expressed has been advantageously used in dropsies, and humoral asthma.

**Dose.**  $\text{f℥.}$  to  $\text{f℥ss.}$  rubbed up with sugar, and mixed in water.

**POTASSE CARBONAS IMPURA.** Impure Potassa. (The Pearl Ash of commerce.) *Cineres Clavellati.*

**Comp.** Carbonate of potassa ; sulphate of potassa, hydrochlorate of potassa, silex, oxide of iron, argil.

**Use.** For preparing the carbonate for medical purposes.

**POTASSÆ CHLORAS.** Chlorate of Potash. *Oxymuriate of Potash.* It is prepared by passing chlorine gas into a solution of subcarbonate of potash. The carbonic acid is expelled, while part of the alkali is decomposed ; its metallic basis, uniting with chlorine, forms chloride of potassium, and its oxygen, combining with chlorine, forms chloric acid, which, with some undecomposed potash, forms chlorate of potash ; which is separated from the chloride by its less solubility.

**Prop.** It crystalizes in pearly rhomboidal plates. Its taste is cool, and somewhat similar to nitre. At  $32^{\circ}$  100 pints of water dissolve only  $\frac{3}{4}$  parts of this salt.

**Oper.** The real effects of this salt seem to be imperfectly known ; it is however diuretic and perhaps tonic.

**Use.** In scorbutus and cholera ; it forms one of the ingredients recommended by Dr. Stevens in cholera in the following powder, *R Sodæ Carbon.*  $\text{℥ss.}$  *Sodæ Chloridi*  $\text{℥j.}$  *Potass. Chlorat.*  $\text{gr. vij.}$  to be given in half a tumbler of water.

**Dose.** 15 Jrs. to  $\text{℥j.}$

**POTASSA CUM CALCE.** Potash with Lime. (*Potassæ hydratis Calcis sing. ʒj.*) Rub them together and keep them in a well stopped vessel.

*Comp.* Potassa and lime mechanically mixed.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as the *Potassæ Hydras*, but more manageable, as it is less deliquescent.

**POTASSÆ ACETAS.** Acetate of Potassa. (*Potassæ Carbon ʒij., Acidi Acetici fʒxxvj., Aquæ fʒxij.*, Add the Carbonate of Potash to the Acid first mixed with the water, to saturation, then strain. Evaporate the liquor in a sand bath, the heat being cautiously applied, until the salt is dried.) *Kali Acetatum.*

*Comp.* Potassa 51, acid 49; or 1 eq. potassa=47.15+1 acetic acid=51.48+2 eq. water=18, equiv.=116.63.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste sharp, pungent; white, shining; texture foliated, deliquescent; soluble in an equal weight of water; also in four times its weight of alcohol. The watery solution decomposes spontaneously.

*Oper.* Mildly cathartic, diuretic, deobstruent.

*Use.* In febrile diseases, dropsies, icterus, and visceral obstructions.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj. or more; ʒij. to ʒiij. open the bowels.

*Incomp.* Mineral acids, decoction of tamarinds, bichloride of mercury, nitrate of silver, sulphates of soda and of magnesia, hydrochlorate of ammonia, tartrate of potass.

**POTASSÆ CARBONAS.** P. 1824. ——— *Subcarbonas.* Carbonate of Potass. (*Potassæ Carbonatis impuræ ʒij., Aquæ dist. ʒjss.*) Dissolve the impure carbonate of Potash and strain; then pour it off into a proper vessel, and evaporate the water, that the liquor may thicken; then stir it constantly with a spatula until the salt concretes.

Carbonate of Potash may be prepared more pure from the crystals of Bicarbonate of Potash heated to redness.

*Comp.* Potassa 43.56, carbonic acid 47.53, water of crystallization 8.91 parts; or 1 eq. potassa=47.15+1 eq. acid=22.12, equiv.=69.27.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste alkaliescent, caustic; crystals minute, white deliquescent.

*Oper.* Diuretic, antacid, deobstruent.

*Use.* In dropsy, acidities of the primæ viæ, and glandular obstructions.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒss. properly diluted: ʒj. dissolved in fʒviiij. of water, and mixed with fʒiv. of lemon juice, forms an effervescing draught.

*Incomp.* Mineral acids, borax, hydrochlorate and acetate of ammonia, alum, sulphate of magnesia, lime, or lime water, all the metallic salts.

*Off. Prep.* *Liquor Potassæ, Liq. Pot. Carb., Enema Aloes, Decoct Aloes Comp., Potass. Acet., Potass. Bicarbon. Potass. Sulphuret., Spir. Amm. Fætid., Liq. Potass. Arsenitis, Spirit Ammon., Spir. Ammon. Aromat., Potass Tart., Potass., Bromid., Potass. Iodidi, Mist. Ferri. com.*

**POTASSÆ BICARBONAS.** P. 1824. ——— *Carbonas.* Bicarbonate of Potassa. (*Potassæ Carbonatis ʒvj., Aquæ. dist. cong. j. Dis-*



solve the Carbonate of Potash in the Water; afterwards pass Carbonic Acid through the solution to saturation. Apply a gentle heat, so that whatever crystals have been formed may be again dissolved. Then set aside [the solution] that crystals may be again produced; the liquor being poured off, dry them.

Carbonic Acid is very easily obtained from Chalk rubbed to powder and mixed with water to the consistence of a syrup, upon which Sulphuric Acid is then poured diluted with an equal weight of Water.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as that of the carbonate, but it is less acid.

*Off. Prep. Liq. Potass. Effervescens.*

POTASSÆ HYDRAS P. 1824. ——— *Falsa Liq. Potassæ* cong, j. Evaporate in a clean iron vessel till, ebullition being finished, the hydrate liquefies; then pour it into proper moulds.)

*Prop.* Light brownish or bluish tint, deliquescent, extremely caustic.

*Use.* Externally as a caustic.

*Off. Prep. Potass. cum Calce.*

POTASSII BROMIDUM. Bromide of Potassium. (*Brominii* ℥ij., *Potass Carb.* ℥ij. et 3j. *Ferri. Rament* ℥j. *Aq. dist.* Oiii. First add the iron, and afterwards the Bromine, to a pint and a half of the distilled Water. Set them by for half an hour, frequently stirring them with a spatula. Apply a gentle heat, and when a greenish colour occurs, pour in the Carbonate of Potash dissolved in the remainder of the Water. Strain, and wash what remains in two pints of boiling distilled Water, and again strain. Let the mixed liquors evaporate so that crystals may be formed.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as the various preparations of Iodine; it is said to be a very successful remedy in the treatment of enlarged spleen.

*Dose.* Gr. iij.

POTASSII IODIDUM. Hydriodate of Potass. Iodide of Potassium. (*Iodini* ℥vi., *Potass. Carb.* ℥iv., *Ferri Rament.* ℥ij., *Aq. distill.* Ovi. Mix the Iodine with four pints of the Water, and add the Iron, stirring them frequently with a spatula for half an hour. Apply a gentle heat, and when a greenish colour occurs, add the Carbonate of Potash, first dissolved in the two pints of Water, and again strain. Wash what remains with two pints of boiling distilled water, and again strain. Let the mixed liquors be evaporated, so that crystals may be formed.)

*Comp.* Hydriodic acid 100 pts. potassa 38.9 parts; or 1 eq. of iodine 125.3 + 1 potassium = 39.15, equiv. 165.45.

*Prop.* Crystals opaque cubes, inodorous, taste penetrating; very soluble in water and in alcohol.

*Use.* The same as that of iodine; but chiefly as an alterative in secondary syphilis.

*Dose.* Of the saturated solution from ℥vj. to ℥xx. of the dry salt from gr. ij. to gr. vi.

*Off. Prep. Plumbi. Iodid., Liq. Potass. Iodid. com., Tinct Iodidi comp.*

*Antidote.* In the event of any accident happening from this substance the antidote for it, is the solution of chloride of Soda, or chloride of lime.

**POTASSÆ NITRAS.** Nitrate of Potassa, or Nitre. (Formed in an impure state by nature in warm climates, as India, and by means of artificial composts in France.) *Nitrum*.

*Comp.* Potassa 51·8, nitric acid 44, water 4·2, in 100 of nitrate; or 1 eq. potassa=47·15+1 eq. acid=54·15, equiv.=101·3.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste cool, bitterish, penetrating; crystals six-sided prisms; permanent in the air; brittle, soluble in 7 parts of water at 60°.

*Oper.* Diuretic, refrigerant; in large doses purgative; externally cooling detergent.

*Use.* In fevers, dropsies, herpetic eruptions, active hæmorrhages, mania, gonorrhœa. A small piece allowed to dissolve slowly in the mouth often removes incipient cynanche tonsillaris; hence its utility in gargles.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒss. In doses of ʒj. it occasions hypercatharsis, bloody stools, and sometimes death.

*Incomp.* Sulphuric acid, sulphates of soda and magnesia, alum, the metallic sulphates.

*Off. Prep.* *Antimon. Potass. Tart.*

**POTASSÆ SULPHAS.** Sulphate of Potassa. (The salt which remains after the distillation of *nitric acid*. *Hij.*, *Aq. Fernent Cong.* ii. Ignite the Salt in a crucible until the excess of Sulphuric Acid is entirely expelled, then boil it in the two Gallons of Water until a pellicle floats, and the liquor being strained, set it aside that crystals may be formed. (The Liquor being poured off, dry them.) *Kali Vitriolatum*.

*Comp.* Potassa 51·55, acid 45·45, in 100 parts of sulphate; or 1 eq. potassa 47·15+1 acid=40·1, equiv.=87·25.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter; crystals small, six-sided prisms, ended by six-sided pyramids, grouped; hard, transparent, permanent in the air; soluble in 16 parts of water at 60°; insoluble in alcohol.

*Oper.* Purgative, deobstruent.

*Use.* In the visceral obstructions to which children are liable; and as an adjunct to other purgatives.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj. acts as a deobstruent; ʒss. to ʒvj., purge.

*Incomp.* Nitric and hydrochloric acids, tartaric acid, hydrochlorate of lime, salts of mercury, nitrate of silver.

*Off. Prep.* *Pulv. Ipecac. comp.*

**POTASSII SULPHURETUM.** P. 1824. *Potassæ Sulphuretum.* Sulphuret of Potassa. (*Sulphuris* ʒj. *Potassæ Carbonatis* ʒiv., Rub them together, and place the mixture in a covered crucible upon the fire until they unite.) It is necessary first to dry the sub-carbonate in a crucible exposed to a red heat.

*Prop.* Inodorous while dry, but when moistened foetid; taste acrid; bitter; colour liver-brown; solid, brittle, deliquescent; decomposed by water.

*Oper.* Expectorant, diaphoretic; externally detergent.

**Use.** It has been given in chronic asthma, but without much benefit; chronic catarrh and rheumatism; arthritic cases; herpetic, and other cutaneous diseases; and cancer. Its solution is useful as a wash in scabies, particularly in the cases of infants. It was formerly used as an antidote against arsenical and saturnine poisons.

**Dose.** Gr. v. to gr. xv. combined with soap, or cicuta, in pills twice or thrice a day.

**Incomp.** Acids, acidulous salts, metallic and earthy salts.

**POTASSÆ BI-SULPHAS.** Bi-sulphate of Potassa. (The salt remaining after the distillation of *nitric. acid.* ℥ij., *acid. Sulphur.* ℥ij., *aquæ ferv.* Cvj., boil in water to four pints, Dissolve the Salt in the Water, and add the Acid to it and mix lastly, boil down, and set aside, that crystals may be formed.

**Comp.** Potassa 32·87, acid 54·80, water 12·33 parts.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste a strong acid; soluble in two parts of water at 60°; insoluble in alcohol.

**Oper.** Refrigerant and purgative.

**Use.** In cases where it is wished to exhibit sulphuric acid, and at the same time open the bowels.

**Dose** ℥j. to ℥ij.

**POTASSÆ BI-TARTARS.** P. 1824. — *Supertartaras.* Bi-tartrate of Potassa. (The tartar of wine purified.) *Tartari Crystalli.*

**Comp.** Potassa 33, acid 57, water 10 parts in 100 of supertartrate, *Thenard.*

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste acid, harsh; crystals small, irregular; require 120 parts of water at 60° to dissolve them; brittle pulverulent; decomposed when kept in solution.

**Oper.** Mildly purgative, refrigerant, diuretic.

**Use.** In ascites, proceeding from visceral obstructions; and to open the bowels in inflammatory habits. Dissolved in water, with a small quantity of white wine, some sugar, and lemon peel, it forms an excellent beverage in febrile diseases, under the name of *imperial.*

**Dose.** ℥j. to ℥ij., combined with ℥j. of sodæ boras, to excite the kidneys; and to open the bowels ℥iv., to ℥j., are required.

**Incomp.** Alkalies, alkaline earths, mineral acids.

**Off. Prep.** *Ferri potassio-tartaras, Pulv. Jalapæ Comp., Antimonii Potass-Tart., Sodæ Potassio-Tart, Potassæ Tartaras.*

**POTASSÆ TARTRAS.** Tartrate of Potassa. (*Potass. bitart. ℥ij., Potass Carbonat. ℥xvi., ret. q. s. s. Ag. fervent. Ovi.,* Dissolve the Carbonate of Potash, and boil, Strain the liquor, and afterwards boil it down until a pelicle floats and set it aside that crystals may be formed. The liquor being poured off, dry these, and again evaporate the liquor that crystals may be produced.) *Kali Tartarizatum.*

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste bitter, disagreeable; generally in the form of a white granular powder; soluble in 4 parts of water at 60°, soluble in alcohol.

**Oper.** Purgative.



**Use.** To open the bowels in febrile diseases, mania, and hypochondriasis; and as an adjunct to senna, and the resinous purgatives in solution, the griping effects of which it corrects.

**Dose.** ℥j. to ʒj., in solution.

**Incomp.** Acids; infusion of tamarinds, and other acid fruits; lime, magnesia, sulphates of soda, of potassa, and of magnesia; nitrate of silver, acetate of lead, and hydrochlorate of ammonia.

**PRUNA.** Prunes. (*Prunus Domestica*, Ocland, *Trigyn.* N. O. *Amygdalæ.* South of Europe. ʒ.)

**Prop.** Odour weak; taste sweet, acidulous.

**Oper.** Cooling, laxative, nutrient.

**Use.** In costiveness attended with heat and irritation; an article of diet in fever.

**Off. Prep.** *Confectio Sennæ.*

**PTEROCARPUS.** Red Sanders Wood. (*Pterocarpus Santalinus*, *Diadelph. Decand.* N. O. *Leguminosæ*, East Indies. ʒ.)

**Prop.** Aromatic odour, nearly insipid; colour bright deep red.

**Use.** As a colouring material.

**Off. Prep.** *Tinct. Lavand. Comp.*

**PULVIS ALOES COMPOSITUS.** Compound Powder of Aloes. (*Aloes* ʒjss., *Guaiaci Res.* ʒj., *Pulv. Cinnam. Comp.* ʒss. Rub the Aloes and Guaiacum separately, then mix the whole.)

**Oper.** Warm, cathartic, stomachic, sudorific.

**Use.** In dyspepsia, attended with a sluggish state of the bowels; spasmodic affections of the intestinal canal; jaundice; and obstinate costiveness.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒj.

**PULVIS ANTIMONII COMPOSITUS.** P. 1824. ——— *Antimonialis.* (*Antimonii Sesquisulphureti* cont. ℥ij, *Cornuum Rasorum* ℥ij) Mix and throw them into a crucible, red hot, in the fire, and stir constantly until vapour no longer arises. Rub that which remains to powder, and put it into a proper crucible. Then apply fire, and increase it gradually that it may be red hot for two hours. Rub the residue to very fine powder.

**Comp.** Oxide of antimony 57, phosphate of lime 43, in 100 parts.

**Prop.** Inodorous, insipid; in the form of a white powder; insoluble in water.

**Oper.** Febrifuge, diaphoretic, alterative; in large doses emetic, purgative; a very uncertain and useless preparation.

**Use.** Intended to be used in febrile disases, and every case in which diaphoresis can be useful: as a substitute for *James's Powder* to which preparation however it is very inferior; and in small doses in cutaneous diseases.

**Dose.** Gr. iij. to gr. viij. in pills, combined with opium or camphor, every six or eight hours, diluting freely in the intervals.\*

**PULVIS CINNAMOMI COMPOSITUS.** Compound Powder of

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\* 100 grains have been given without producing any effect.

Cinnamon. (*Cinnam.* ʒij., *Cardamomi* ʒjss., *Zingiberis* ʒj., *Piperis Longi* ʒss. Rub them together to a very fine powder.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, carminative.

*Use.* In cold, decayed, phlegmatic habits, to assist digestion, and expel flatus; but chiefly used to give warmth to other compositions.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒj. or more.

*Off. Prep.* *Pulv. Aloet Comp.*

**PULVIS CRETÆ COMPOSITUS.** Compound Powder of Chalk. (*Cretæ Præp.* ℥ss., *Cinnamomi* ʒiv., *Tormentillæ*, *Acaciæ*, sing. ʒiiij., *Piperis Longi* ʒiv. Reduce them separately into a fine powder, and mix.)

*Oper.* Antacid, stomachic, absorbent.

*Use.* In acidity of the stomach, and the diarrhœa attendant on low fevers.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to ʒj. rubbed up with mucilage and cinnamon water.

*Off. Prep.* *Pulv. Cretæ Comp. cum Opio.*

**PULVIS CRETÆ COMPOSITUS CUM OPIO.** Compound Powder of Chalk with Opium. (*Pulv. Cretæ Comp.* ʒvjss., *Opii duri* ʒiv. Mix.) Contains gr. j. of opium in gr. 40.

*Oper.* Anodyne, absorbent.

*Use.* In the same cases as the former. As an anodyne to children affected with irritative diarrhœa during dentition.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒij. for adults in children gr. ij. to x.

**PULVIS JALAPÆ COMPOSITUS.** Compound Powder of Jalap. (*Jalapæ* ʒiiij., *Bitartratis Potassæ* ʒvj., *Zingiberis* ʒij. Rub them separately to a fine powder, and then mix.)

*Oper.* Purgative.

*Use.* In obstiveness, particularly of children with a tumid belly, in worm cases, and in dropsy.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj. for adults; gr. v. to gr. x. for children.

**PULVIS IPECACUANHÆ COMPOSITUS.** *Dover's Powder* Compound Powder of Ipecacuanha. (*Ipecacuanhæ cont.*, *Opii duri cont. sing.* ʒj., *Potassæ Sulphatis cont.* ʒj. Mix.) Contains gr. j. Opium in gr. x.

*Oper.* Diaphoretic.

*Use.* In rheumatism, dropsy, gout, fevers, dysentery, and diabetes.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to ʒj in pills or bolus, diluting freely with tepid fluids, but not immediately, as they are apt to produce vomiting.

*Off. Prep.* *Pil. Ipecac. comp.*

**PULVIS KINO COMPOSITUS.** Compound Powder of Kino. (*Kino* ʒxv., *Cinnam.* ʒss., *Opii duri* ʒj. Rub each separately to a fine powder, and then mix.) Gr. xx. contains gr. j. of opium.

*Oper.* Astringent.

*Use.* In chronic diarrhœa, leucorrhœa, and uterine and intestinal hæmorrhagies.

*Dose.* Gr. v. to ℥j. in aqueous fluids.

**PULVIS SCAMMONII COMPOSITUS.** Compound Powder of Scammony. (*Scammonii*, *Ext.* *Jalapæ duri*, *sing.* ℥ij., *Zingiberis* ℥jss. Rub each separately to a fine powder, and then mix.)

*Oper.* Cathartic.

*Use.* In hydropic and worm cases; and to remove mucous obstructions in children.

*Dose.* Gr. viij. to gr. xv.

**PULVIS TRAGACANTHÆ COMPOSITUS.** Compound Powder of Tragacanth. (*Tragacanthæ cont.*, *Acaciæ cont.*, *Amyli sing.* ℥jss., *Sacch.* ℥ij. Rub the starch and sugar together, then add the tragacanth and acacia gum, and mix. The starch might be omitted, as it is not soluble in cold water.

*Oper.* Demulcent.

*Use.* In hectic fever; catarrh attended with tickling cough; combined with nitre, in gonorrhœa and strangury; and with ipecacuanha powder, in dysentery.

*Dose.* ℥ss. to ℥ij. in distilled water, or any bland fluid. Gr. x. render f℥ij. of fluid mucilaginous.

**PYRETHRUM.** Pellitory of Spain. (*Anthemis Pyrethrum*, *Class* and *Order of Anthemis Nobilis.* ♂.)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste hot and acrid, its acrimony residing in a fixed oil; the dried root more acrid than the recent.

*Oper.* Stimulant, sialogogue.

*Use.* Chewed, it excites a copious flow of saliva, hence it has been found useful in some affections of the head: in strumous swellings of the tonsils; tooth-ache, and palsy of the muscles of the throat. It is also used in infusion as a gargle.

**QUASSIA.** Quassia Wood. *Quassia excelsa.* *Decand. Monogym.* N. O. *Simarubiaceæ.* Jamaica. ♂.) The wood of the root.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste a very intense, durable bitter; colour whitish-yellow; has no astringency; bitter principle (or *Quassina* extracted by water and alcohol.

*Oper.* Tonic, stomachic.

*Use.* In intermittents; bilious fever, combined with neutral salts; lenteria and cachexia; in hysteria, united with tincture of valerian; and with cretaceous powder and ginger in gout.

*Dose.* Of the raspings gr. v. to ℥ss., but infusion and extract are preferable forms of exhibiting it.

*Incomp.* Nitrate of silver, acetate of lead.

*Off. Prep.* *Infusum quassiæ.*

**QUERCUS.** Oak Bark. (*Quercus Pedunculata.* *Monœcia Polyand.* N. O. *Cupuliferæ.* Europe. ♂.)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste austere, styptic: differs from galls in not precipitating solutions of tartarized antimony.

*Oper.* Tonic, astringent.

*Use.* In intermittents, combined with galls, bitters, and aromatics; useful also in fluor albus, and alvine fluxes. See *Decoction.*

*Dose.* Of the powder gr. x. to ℥ss. twice or thrice a day.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoctum Quercus.*

**QUINÆ.** Quinine. The Alkali prepared from the bark,



**QUINÆ DISULPHAS.** Disulphate of Quina, (*Cinchona Cord.* Cont. lbvii. *Acidi Sulph.* ℥ix. *Carbonis Animalis purif.* ℥ij. *Plumbi Oxydi Hydrati, Liq. Ammon. Aq. distill.* aa q. s. s.) Mix four ounces and two drachms of the Sulphuric Acid with six gallons of distilled Water, and add the Cinchona to them; boil for an hour, and strain. In the same manner again boil what remains in Water and Acid, mixed in the same proportions, for an hour. Lastly, boil the Cinchona in eight gallons of distilled water for three hours, and strain. Wash what remains frequently with boiling distilled water. To the mixed liquors add Oxide of Lead while moist, nearly to saturation. Pour off the supernatant liquor, and wash what is thrown down with distilled water. Boil the liquors for a quarter of an hour, and Strain; then gradually add Solution of Ammonia to precipitate the Quina. Wash this until nothing alkaline is perceptible. Let what remains be saturated with the rest of the Sulphuric Acid, diluted. Afterwards digest with two ounces of Animal Charcoal, and strain. Lastly, the Charcoal being thoroughly washed, evaporate the liquor cautiously, that crystals may be produced.

**Prop.** Inodorous, minute white crystals, which are colourless and taste powerfully bitter, not very soluble in cold water, unless acidulated.

**Oper.** Tonic, antiperiodic.

**Use.** Quinine is one of the brightest examples of the advantages which medicine has derived from chemistry. It is used in Fevers and in every case which cinchona has been employed.

**Dose.** From gr. j. to gr. x. frequently repeated in the course of a day.

**Remarks.** The different varieties of Cinchona contain two vegetable alkalis, Quina and Cinchonina: the *Cinchona cordifolia*, or yellow bark, contains chiefly the former; the *Cinchona lancifolia*, or pale bark, the latter; and the *Cinchona oblongifolia*, or red bark, yields both of them. The Quina exists in combination with a peculiar acid called Kinic Acid, forming with it Kinate of Quina, which is soluble to a certain extent in water, and is rendered more so by the sulphuric acid employed in the process, and perhaps by decomposing it. Whatever may be the state of combination, the solution contains sulphuric acid, kinic acid, and quina, mixed with extractive and colouring matter, the latter being got rid of by the animal charcoal. On adding oxide of lead the sulphuric acid combines with it, and the resulting sulphate being insoluble is precipitated, while the kinic acid and quina remain in solution; when ammonia is added after the separation of the sulphate of lead, the kinic acid unites with it and the kinate of ammonia formed is soluble, while the quina is precipitated, and this when afterwards combined with sulphuric acid forms disulphate of quina, which crystallizes.

**Sulphates of Quina.** The sulphate composed of one equivalent of acid and base, though neutral in composition, is acid to litmus paper, but is not sour to the taste. It may be prepared by crystallizing a solution of sulphate of quina, which has not dissolved as much of the alkalis as it is capable of taking up. It effloresces

when exposed to the air. It crystallizes in square prisms; it is soluble in 11 times its weight of water at 55°, and in 22 times at 73°. At 212° it fuses in its water of crystallization. It is soluble in alcohol, and totally destroyed by ignition.

It is composed of

One equivalent of Sulphuric Acid	=	40	or	14.6
One equivalent of Quina	=	162	„	59.1
Eight equivalents of Water $9 \times 8$	=	72	„	26.3
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This salt is not employed in medicine.

*Properties of Disulphate of Quina.*—The crystals are colourless, acicular, have a pearly lustre, a bitter taste, and effloresce when exposed to the air. One part of this salt requires for solution about 740 parts of cold, 30 of boiling water, 80 of cold alcohol of specific gravity .850, and much less if boiling. When heated, disulphate of quina fuses and looks like melted wax; it afterwards reddens, begins to decompose, and when the heat is raised to ignition in the air, charcoal is obtained, which is eventually dissipated.

*Composition.*—This salt consists of

One equivalent of Sulphuric Acid	....	=	40	or	9.17
Two equivalents of Quina	.....	$162 \times 2$	=	224	„ 74.31
Eight equivalents of Water	.....	$27 \times 8$	=	27	„ 16.52
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		Equivalent	.....	4.36	100.

*Incomp.* All Alkalies and Alkaline Salts.

**RESINA.** Yellow Resin. (The residue, after the distillation of oil of turpentine.)

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* In the composition of plasters and ointments.

*Off. Prep.* *Emplast. Ceræ, Emp. Picis, Emp. Resinæ, Ceratum Resinæ,*

**RHAMNUS.** Buckthorn Berries. (*Rhamnus Catharticus*, Purging Buckthorn. *Pentland Monogyn* N. O. *Rhamnaceæ*, Indigenous. *h.*)

*Prop.* Odour faint and disagreeable; taste bitterish and nauseous; the size of a pea; have four seeds; the juice stains paper green.

*Oper.* Cathartic.

*Use.* In the same cases as jalap and senna, which are superior medicines. Its operation must be assisted with copious dilution, as it excites much thirst and griping.

*Dose.* Of the recent berries  $\text{xx.}$ ; of the dried  $\text{ʒj. to ʒij.}$

*Off. Prep.* *Syrupus Rhamni.*

**RHEUM.** Rhubarb Root. (*Rheum Palmatum et Undulatum*. *Palmated and undulated Rhubarb. Enneand. Monogynia*, N. O. *Polygonaceæ*. *China. h.*) The best comes through Russia in round perforated pieces.

*Comp.* Extractive, volatile odorous matter, on which its virtues depend, oxalate of lime, tannin.



**Prop.** Odour aromatic peculiar, rather nauseous; taste somewhat aromatic, subacid, bitterish, astringent; feels gritty between the teeth: colours the saliva and urine saffron-yellow: not very mucilaginous. Pieces firm, but not flinty; external colour a clear yellow: fracture rugged, veined yellow, red and white; easily pulverized, forming a powder of a fine bright buff-yellow colour. Both water and spirit extract its virtues.

**Oper.** Purgative, stomachic, astringent.

**Use.** In costiveness, from laxity of bowels, particularly of children; diarrhoea. It is a useful adjunct to neutral salts and calomel, rendering their operation more easy. Externally the powder is sprinkled over ulcers, to assist their granulation and healing.

**Dose.** ℥j. to 3ss. of the powder to open the bowels; gr. vj. to gr. x. to act as a stomachic.

**Off. Prep.** *Infusum Rhei*, *Tinct. Rhei Composita*, *Pilulæ Rhei Compositæ*, *Extract. Rhei*.

**RHÆAS.** P. 1824. *Rhæados Petala*. Petals of the Red Poppy. (Papaver Rhæas. Class and Order as Pap. Somniferum. Indigenus. ☉.)

**Use.** Chiefly to impart their fine red colour to syrup.

**Off. Prep.** *Syrupus Rhæados*.

**RICINI OLEUM.** Castor Seeds and oil. (Ricinus Communis, the Castor, or Palma Christi. Monocia Monadelph N. O. Euphorbiaceæ. Indies. ☉.)

**Prop.** Seed inodorous; taste acrid, slightly sweetish; kernel white: oily, with a thin dry cuticle; contained in a prickly, triangular capsule.

**Oper.** Cathartic sometime emetic.

**Use.** For obtaining the oil. One or two of the seeds swallowed entire operate briskly; but are not used in this country. See *Oleum*.

**ROSÆ CANINÆ.** Dog Rose, or Hip Pulp. (Icosand Polygyn. N. O. Rosaceæ. Indigenus. ♀.)

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste sweet, acidulous, depending on the presence of uncombined citric acid and sugar.

**Oper.** Cooling.

**Use.** Vide the Confection.

**Off. Prep.** *Confectio Rosæ Caninæ*.

**ROSA. CENTIFOLIA** Damask Rose. (Class and Order as above, Place unknown. ♀.)

**Prop.** Odour extremely fragrant; taste subacidulous.

**Oper.** Laxative.

**Use.** Scarcely used for any purpose, except for the distillation of rose water, and the formation of a syrup.

**Off. Prep.** *Aqua Rosæ*, *Syrupus Rosæ*.

**ROSA GALLICA.** Red Rose. (Class and Order as above. Europe. ♀.)

**Prop.** Odour less fragrant than that of the damask; taste bitterish, astringent.

**Oper.** Astringent, tonic.

**Use.** See the preparations of it.



Off. Prep. *Confectio Rosæ gallicæ, Infusum Rosæ Comp., Mel Rosæ.*

ROSMARINUS. Rosemary. (*Diandria Monogyn. N. O. Labiatur. South of Europe. 2.*)

Prop. Odour fragrant, grateful; taste aromatic, warm bitterish; depending on an essential oil, combined with camphor.

Oper. Tonic, stimulant, emmenagogue, resolvent.

Use. In nervous headaches, and in chlorosis, under the form of infusion; but it is now scarcely ever used, unless as an adjunct, to give odour to sternutatory.

Dose. Of the powder gr. x. to ʒss.

Off. Prep. *Oleum Rosmarini, Spiritus. Rosmarini.*

RUMEX. P. 1824. *Acetosæ Folia.* Sorrel (*Rumex Acetosa. Hexandria, Dygynia, N. O. Holaraceæ Polygoneæ Indigenus 2.*) *Acc-tasa pratensis.*

Prop. Inodorous, taste acid and grateful.

Oper. Refrigerant, diuretic.

Use. In inflammatory complaints, and cutaneous diseases.

Dose. The recent leaves ad libitum; of the juice fʒj. Decoction in whey (a handful to ʒij. of milk) ad libitum. Their effects depend on the super-oxalate of potash which they contain.

RUTA. The leaves of Rue. (*Dicand Monogyn. N. O. Rutaceæ. South of Europe. 2.*)

Prop. Odour strong, ungrateful; taste bitter, pungent; acrid so as to blister the skin; contains a volatile oil.

Oper. Tonic, stimulant, antispasmodic, emmenagogue?

Use. In hysteria and flatulent colic; but chiefly in the form of strong infusion in clysters, in the convulsions of children.

Dose. Gr. xv. to ʒij.

Off. Prep. *Conf. Rutæ.*

SABADILLA. Sabadilla Seeds. (*Helonias Sabadilla, Polygamia Monœcia, N. O. Melanthaceæ. Mexico.*)

Prop. Seeds elongated, pointed, inodorous, taste bitter, acrid; (in small capsules, three together.)

Comp. Gallate of veratria, cevadic acid, eläine, stearine, wax.

Oper. Cathartic, excitant.

Use. Seldom used internally; used in the form of powder to destroy pediculi.

Off. Prep. *Veratria.*

SABINA. Savine Leaves. (*Juniperus Sabina. Class and order as Juniperis Communis. (Siberia. 2.)*)

Prop. Odour strong, disagreeable; taste hot, acrid, bitter; depending on an essential oil.

Oper. Stimulant, diaphoretic, emmenagogue, anthelmintic, escharotic.

Use. In amenorrhœa, with a languid pulse, but they require to be cautiously administered; in worms, and in gout. Externally, the powder is applied to old ulcers, carious bones, &c.; and the infusions, as a lotion, to gangrene, scabies, and tinea capitis.

Dose. Gr. v. to gr. x. of the powder.

Off. Prep. *Ceratum Sabinæ.*

**SACCHARUM.** Sugar. (*Saccharum Officinatum*. The Sugar Cane.

*Triand. Monogyn. N. O. Graminaceæ. Egypt. 4.)*

*Comp.* Oxygen 50·8, carbon 42·85, hydrogen 6·35 parts.

*Prop.* In its pure state it is inodorous; taste perfectly sweet, of a brilliant white colour, hard; when impure it has a peculiar taste and flavour arising from extract, mucilage, and oil; in shining grains of a yellow colour. Sugar is soluble in its own weight of water at 60°; also in alcohol: it is decomposed by the strong acids; but unites with lime and the alkalies; boiled with water it forms syrup.

*Oper.* Nutritive; the impure is laxative; externally the refined is escharotic.

*Use.* Seldom given internally with a medical intention, unless to conceal the unpleasant taste of some medicines. It is said to be a preventive of worms. Externally it is applied to fungous ulcers. Hurtful to bilious and hypochondriacal habits and dyspeptics.

*Off. Prep. Syrupi Omnes.*

**SACCHARI FŒX.** Treacle.

*Use.* For Pharmaceutical purposes.

*Off. Prep. Pil. Ferri comp., Pil. Hyd. Chlor. comp.*

**SAGAPENUM;** Sagapenum. (Plant unknown, supposed to be the *Ferula Persica*, *Wild.* Brought from Alexandria.)

*Comp.* Gum, resin, and volatile oil.

*Prop.* Odour fœtid, alliaceous; taste pungent, bitterish, nauseous; in small agglutinated masses of a yellow colour; tenacious, breaking with a horny fracture.

*Oper.* Antispasmodic, emmenagogue.

*Use.* In hysteria, chlorosis, and the same cases for which assafoetida is given, but to which it is inferior.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒss. in pills.

*Off. Prep. Confect. Rutæ, Pilulæ Gallani Compositæ, Pilulæ Sagapeni Compositæ.*

**SALICIS CORTEX.** Willow Bark. (*Salix Caprea*, Great Round-leaved Willow; *Salix Alba*, the White Willow; *Salix Fragilis*, the Crick Willow. *Diacia Diandria*, *N. O. Amentacea*. Europe. ʒ.)

*Prop.* Odour slightly aromatic; taste bitter and astringent. The active principle is an alkaloid named Salicina, a compound of 2 eq. carbon=12·24+2 hydrogen=2+1 oxygen=8, equiv.=22·24. (All the species are nearly the same.)

*Oper.* Tonic, astringent.

*Use.* In intermittents and remittents; debilities of the intestinal canal; convalescency; and in hectic and phthisis.

*Dose.* ʒj. to ʒj. of the powder; or fʒjss. of the decoction, made with ʒij. of the bark, in ʒij. water, boiled down to ʒj.

*Incomp.* Solution of isinglass, alkaline carbonates, lime water, sulphate of iron.



**SAGO.** Sago. (*Sagus Rumphii*, *Monœcia. Hexand.* N. O. *Palmaceæ*. India. *h.*)

*Prop.* It has the chemical characteristics of Starch; being insoluble in cold water, but dissolving in hot, the solution when cold forming a jelly.

*Oper. and Use.* It is nutritient, and used as an article of food in febrile and inflammatory complaints.

**SAMBUCUS.** Common Elder Flowers, Berries, and Bark. *Pentand Trigyn.* N. O. *Caprifoliaceæ.* Germany. *h.*)

*Prop.* Odour of the flowers sickly; of the fruit the same, but weaker; bark inodorous; taste of the flowers bitterish; the fruit sweetish, slightly acidulous, arising from malic acid; the bark at first sweetish, then bitter, acrid, nauseous.

*Oper.* Flowers diaphoretic, discutient; berries aperient, sudorific; bark purgative, hydragogue, deobstruent in small doses.

*Use.* The flowers in fomentations, to yield their flavour to water in distillation, and to form a cooling ointment; the berries, or their expressed juice, in febrile diseases, rheumatism, arthritic cases, and the exanthemata; the bark in dropsy and hæmorrhoids.

*Dose.* Of the juice of the berries  $\text{f}\overline{\text{ss}}$ j., to  $\text{f}\overline{\text{ss}}$ ij.; of the bark gr.  $\text{v}$ . to  $\text{ss}$ ., three times a day.

*Off. Prep.* *Aqua Sambuci*, *Oleum Sambuci*, *Unguentum Sambuci*.

**SAP.** Hard Soap.

*Comp.* Recent oil 60·94, soda 8·56, water 30·50, in 100 parts.

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste alkaliescent, nauseous; hard, white, soluble in water and in alcohol.

*Oper.* Purgative, diuretic; externally detergent, stimulant.

*Use.* In habitual costiveness and jaundice, in pills, combined with rhubarb, or some bitter extract; but it is more useful externally to bruises and sprains. We have found much advantage from rubbing the bowels of children in mesenteric fever attended with tumid bellies, with a strong lather of soap every morning.

*Dose.* Gr.  $\text{v}$ . to  $\text{ss}$ ., in pills.

*Incomp.* Acids, earths, metallic salts, and alum; astringent vegetables and hard water decompose solutions of soap.

*Off. Prep.* *Pilulæ Saponis Comp.*, *Pil. Rhei comp.*, *Pil. Gambogiz comp.*, *Pil. Scillæ comp.*, *Ext. Colocynth. comp.*, *Emplast. Saponis*, *Ceratum Saponis*, *Liniment. Saponis*.

**SAP.** Soft Soap. (Prepared by boiling oil with caustic potash.)

*Prop.* Consistence of hog's lard; other properties the same as the hard.

*Oper. and Use.* As the hard; but scarcely ever given as an internal remedy.

*Off. Prep.* *Liniment. Terebinth.*, *Enema Colocynth.*, *Ung. Sulph. Comp.*

**SARZA.** P. 1824. *Sarsaparilla Radix.* Sarsaparilla. (*Smilax Sarsaparilla.* *Dicœcia Hexand.* N. O. *Smilacæ.* Virginia. *h.*)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitterish, feculacious; fibrous; of a blackish colour externally, white within.

*Oper.* Diuretic, demulcent, and alterative, and diaphoretic.



*Use.* In the sequelæ of syphilis, when, after a mercurial course, nocturnal pains, enlargements of the joints, and cutaneous ulcerations, remain; scrofula; elephantiasis, or cutaneous affections resembling it; chronic rheumatism; but its efficacy is doubtful.

*Dose.* ℥j. to 3j. of the powder, or made into an electuary three times a day. See *Decoct.*

*Off. Prep.* *Decoctum Sarzæ*, *Syrupus Sarzæ*, *Extractum Sarzæ*.

**SASSAFRAS.** Sassafras Wood and Root. (*Class and Order, vide Lauri Baccæ. Virginia. 2.*)

*Prop.* Odour not unlike that of fennel; taste aromatic, subacid, sweetish; depending on a volatile oil.

*Oper.* Stimulant, sudorific, diuretic.

*Use.* In cutaneous diseases; chronic rheumatism; and as an adjunct to the decoctions of guaiac, &c.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoct. Sarzæ com.*

**SCAMMONIUM.** Scammony. (*Class and Order as Jalapa. Mexico. 5.*) What we receive comes from Aleppo.

*Prop.* Odour trifling, but unpleasant; taste bitter, acrid; in blackish grey fragments, becoming whitish-yellow when touched with wet fingers; fracture shining.

*Comp.* Resin 11 parts, gummy extract 3½.

*Oper.* Drastic purgative, hydragogue.

*Use.* In obstinate costiveness, worms, dropsy.

*Dose.* Gr. iij. to gr. xv. triturated with sugar, or with almonds.

*Off. Prep.* *Confectio Scammonii*, *Pulvis Scam. Comp.*, *Extract Colocynth Comp.*

**SCILLA.** The Bulb of the Squill. *Scilla Maritimæ. Hexand Monogyn. N. O. Liliaceæ, Austria. 2.*)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter, nauseous, extremely acrid; inflames the skin when rubbed on it; the bulb is large and lamellated. Its acrimony, on which its virtue depends, is destroyed by heat, drying and keeping; extracted by vinegar, spirit, and water.

*Oper.* Emetic in large doses; purgative; in small doses, expectorant and diuretic. It owes its properties to a peculiar principle, which has been named *Scillitina*.

*Use.* In pulmonary complaints, after the inflammatory action is reduced; humoral asthma, pertussis; in dropsy; and more useful if combined with a mercurial.

*Dose.* Gr. j. to gr. v. of the dried root, powdered and united with the wine of ipecacuanha; or in pills, to produce diuresis, united with the blue pill.

*Incomp.* Gelatine, lime water, alkaline carbonates, acetate of lead, nitrate of silver.

*Off. Prep.* *Acetum Scillæ*, *Oxymel Scillæ*, *Pil. Ipecac. Comp.*, *Pilulæ Scillæ Comp.*

\* \* To dry the squill it should be cut transversely, and the dried sections kept in an opaque stopped bottle.

**SCOPARIUS** Broom Tops. P. 1824. *Spartii Cacumina*. (*Diadelph. Decand. N. O. Papilionaceæ*. South of Europe.  $\frac{1}{2}$ .) *Genistæ Cacumina*.

**Prop.** Almost inodorous; taste bitter.

**Oper.** Diuretic.

**Use.** In dropsies.

**Dose.**  $\mathfrak{Dj}$ . to  $\mathfrak{Zj}$ . of the powder.

**Off. Prep.** *Decoct. Scop. Comp.*

**SENEGA.** Senega Root. *Polygala Senega*. *Diadelph. Octand. N. O. Polygalaceæ*. Virginia.  $\mathfrak{Lj}$ .) The bark is the active part of the root.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste sweetish at first, then acrid, hot, and pungent; depending on a resin; extracted by alcohol and æther.

**Oper.** Stimulant, expectorant, diaphoretic, diuretic.

**Use.** In peripneumonia, after the inflammatory action is reduced; humoral asthma, chronic rheumatism; dropsy, croup? The extract of it, with carbonate of ammonia, has been found useful in lethargy.

**Dose.** Gr. xxx. to  $\mathfrak{Dij}$ . of the powder; Madeira wine, if it can be ordered, covers the taste of the powder.

**Off. Prep.** *Decoctum Senegæ*.

**SENNÆ.** Senna Leaves. (*For Class and Order see Cassia Pulpa*. Egypt.  $\odot$ .)

**Prop.** Odour faint; taste bitterish; active part extracted by alcohol, and by water; its activity destroyed by boiling water. (The leaflet should be obtuse.)

**Comp.** Cathartin, extractive, and several salts.

**Oper.** Cathartic, hydragogue. (It is apt to gripe.)

**Use.** In costiveness and dropsy.

**Dose.** Of the powder  $\mathfrak{Dj}$ . to  $\mathfrak{Zj}$ . rubbed with crystals of bitartrate of potassa, and united with ginger to prevent griping; but the best form is that of infusion.

**Off. Prep.** *Confectio Sennæ*, *Infusum Sennæ Comp.*, *Tinct Sennæ Comp.*, *Syrupus Sennæ*. *Mist. Gent. Comp.*

**SERPENTARIA.** (Snake Root. *Gynand. Hexand. N. O. Aristolochiaceæ*. Virginia.  $\mathfrak{Lj}$ .) *Serpentaria Virginiana*.

**Prop.** Odour aromatic, similar to that of valerian; taste pungent, bitter; fibrous; its active part extracted partially only by water; altogether by proof spirit.

**Oper.** Stimulant, diaphoretic, diuretic.

**Use.** In typhoid fevers, and diseases of debility; to assist cinchona in the cure of intermittents; in the exanthemata, and dyspepsia; and externally as a gargle in cynanche maligna.

**Dose.** Of the powder gr. x. to  $\mathfrak{Zss}$ .

**Off. Prep.** *Tinctura Serpentariæ*, *Tinct. Cinchon. com.*, *Infus. Serpentariæ*.

**SEVUM.** Mutton Suet. (*Ovis Aries*, the Sheep; Cl. *Mammalia* Ord. *Ruminantia*.)

**Oper.** Emollient.

**Off. Prep.** *Emplastrum Cerae*, *Ung. Hydrargyri Fort.*, *Ung. Picis Liqidæ*, *Ung. Elem.*

**SIMARUBA.** The Bark and Wood of Simaruba. (*Class and Order of Quassiæ. Jamaica B.*)

**Prop.** The bark is inodorous; taste bitter, not unpleasant; texture fibrous; yellow on the inside, darker on the outside, scaly and warty. Both water and alcohol extract its virtues. It possesses no astringency.

**Oper.** Tonic.

**Use.** In dysentery, chronic diarrhœa, lenteria, and dyspepsia.

**Dose.** ʒss. to ʒj. of the powder; but the infusion is a better form of exhibiting this remedy.

**Off. Prep.** *Infusum Simarubæ.*

**SINAPIS.** Mustard Seeds. *Sinapis Nigra. Tetradyman Siliquosa, N. O. Cruciferae. Europe. ☉.*

**Prop.** Inodorous when entire, but when bruised and the oil pressed out, the odour is very pungent; taste bitterish, acrid; properties yielded to water; the seeds give out a bland oil by expression.

**Oper.** Stimulant, diuretic, emetic, rubefacient.

**Use.** In dyspepsia; a torpid state of the bowels; and chlorosis. The seed is swallowed entire, or only slightly crushed; a strong infusion of the bruised seed is used to produce vomiting in apoplexy, paralysis and Cholera; externally the fine powder of the seed is applied as a cataplasm to the soles of the feet in typhus, and comatose affections.

**Dose.** ʒj. to ʒss.

**Off. Prep.** *Cataplasma Sinapis, Inf. Armoracæ Comp.*

**SODÆ ACETAS.** Acetate of Soda. (*Sodæ carbonatis quantum opus erit, Aceti Distillati q. s. s. ut saturetur alkali.* Evaporate the strained solution until it acquire the sp. gr. 1276. The crystals formed by cooling are to be cautiously dried and preserved in stopped bottles.) *Striated prismatic crystals.*

**Comp.** Acetic acid 36·95, soda 22·94, water 40·11. in 100 parts; or 1 eq. acid=51·48+1 soda 31·3+6 water=51. equiv.=136·78.

**Prop.** Taste sharp, bitterish, soluble in 2·86 parts of water at 60°; sp. gr. 2·1 effloresces in heat, but not in the air; melts in a high temperature: little soluble in alcohol.

**Oper.** Purgative.

**Use.** In all cases requiring a mild purgative.

**Dose.** From ʒj. to ʒiv. in any bland fluid.

**Incomp.** Carbonate of lime, sulphuric, nitric, and hydrochloric acids.

**Off. Prep.** *Acidum Aceticum.*

**SODÆ IMPURA CARBONAS.** Impure Carbonate of Soda. (Prepared by nature in Egypt: artificially from the incineration of marine plants; and the decomposition of chloride of sodium.

**Comp.** Carbonate of soda, potassa, and chloride of sodium; clay and other earthy substances.

**Use.** For preparing the pure carbonate.

**Off. Prep.** *Carbonas Sodæ.*

**SODÆ CARBONAS.** P. 1824. ——— *Subcarbonas.* Carbonate of Soda. (The impure carbonate dissolved in water; the solution strained and crystallized.) *Sodæ Carbon, impur. Hij. Aq. Distill.*



**0jv.** Boil the impure Carbonate of Soda in the water, and strain it while hot. Lastly, set it by that crystals may be formed.

**Comp.** Soda 20·92, carbonic acid 14·38, water of crystallization 64·7 parts. or 1 eq. of soda=31·3+1 acid=22·12+10 water=90, equiv.=143·42.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste alkaline, but not acrid: crystals octahedrous, efflorescent, requiring for their solution two parts of water at 60°; they undergo the watery fusion when exposed to heat.

**Oper.** Antacid, deobstruent.

**Use.** In dyspepsia, and acidities of the stomach, united with biters; and in scrofulous affections.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to 3ss, twice or thrice a day.

**Incomp.** Lime; acids unless as an effervescing draught.

**Off. Prep.** *Sodæ Carb. Exsicc.*, *Sodæ Sesquicarbonas*, *Sodæ Potassio-Tartras*, *Sodæ Sulphas*, *Pil. Ferri Com.*, *Ferri Sesqui-oxyd.*, *Liquor Sodæ Chlorinat.*, *Magnesie carbon.*, *Sodæ Acetat.*

**SODÆ CARBONAS EXSICCATA.** P. 1824. ——— *Subcarbonas exsiccata.* Dried Carbonate of Soda. (The Carbonate made to undergo the watery fusion; and, when dry, reduced to powder.)

**Comp.** Soda 59·86, carbonic acid 40·14 parts; or 1 eq. soda=31·3+1 acid=22·12, equiv.=53·42.

**Oper.** Antacid, lithontriptic.

**Use.** In acidity of the stomach; but chiefly in calculus in the kidneys; and other affections of the urinary organs.

**Dose.** Gr. v. to gr. xv. made into pills, with some aromatic powder and soap.

**SODÆ SESQUICARBONAS.** P. 1824. *Sodæ Carbonas.* Sesquicarbonate of Soda. (*Sodæ Carbonatis* *ibid.*, *Aq. Distill.* cong. j.) Dissolve the carbonate of soda in the water and strain. Then pass Carbonic acid into the liquor to saturation that the salt may subside. Dry this with a gentle heat, wrapped and pressed in cloth.

**Comp.** Soda 38·55, carbonic acid 39·76, water of crystallization 21·69 parts: or 1 eq. soda=31·3+1 acid=22·12+1 water=9, equiv.=84·54.

**Oper. and Use.** The same as that of the carbonate.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to 3ss.

**Off. Prep.** *Liquor Sodæ efferr.*

**SODII CHLORIDUM.** P. 1824. *Sodæ Murias.* Chloride of Sodium, Muriate of Soda, or Sea Salt. (In an impure state this is one of the most abundant productions of nature.)

**Comp.** Soda 54·26, muriatic acid 45·74. (*Berzelius.*) 1. eq. of sodium 23·3+1 chlorine=35·42, equiv.=58·72.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste agreeable, salt; crystals cubes; soluble in 3 parts of water; permanent in the air; decrepitate when exposed to heat.

**Oper.** Tonic, purgative, anthelmintic, externally stimulant.

**Use.** In some cases of dyspepsia, cholera and worms; in large doses to check vomiting of blood; as an ingredient in clysters; a fomentation to bruises; and, added to water, to form a stimulant bath.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to 3ss. In clysters 3iv. to 3j.

**Off. Prep.** *Acidum Hydrochloricum, Liquor Calcii Chloridi, Hyd. Chlor., Hyd. Bichlor., Plumbi Chlorid., Liq. Sodæ Chlorinatæ.*

Sea water owes its laxative qualities to this salt, 100 parts of water taken from the ocean contain at an average  $\frac{1}{24}$ th of salt, or common salt 3.25 hydrochlorate of magnesia 0.64, sulphate of lime 0.11 SODÆ PHOSPHAS. Phosphate of Soda.

**Oper.** Purgative.

**Use.** Having very little taste, it is well adapted for children, and is best administered in gruel, or broth, to which it gives a flavour, as if seasoned with salt.

**Dose.** For an adult  $\bar{3}j.$  to  $\bar{3}ij.$  for children  $\bar{3}j.$  to  $\bar{3}iv.$

**SODÆ SULPHAS.** Sulphate of Soda, or Glauber's Salts. (From the salt which remains after the distillation of hydrochloric acid, the superabundant acid being saturated with carbonate of soda.) (R. Of this Salt two pounds, boiling water two pints, Carbonate of Soda as much as is necessary.) Dissolve the Salt in the water, then gradually add as much Carbonate of Soda as is sufficient to saturate the Acid. Boil down until a pellicle appears, and the Liquor being strained, set it aside, that crystals may be formed. The Liquor being poured off, dry them.

**Comp.** Soda 19.75, sulphuric acid 24.69, water of crystallization 55.56 parts; or 1 eq. soda = 31.3 + 1 acid = 40.1, equiv. = 71.4

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste strongly saline, and bitter, nauseous; crystals hexagonal channelled prisms, with dihedral summits; efflorescent; soluble in 3 parts of water at 60°; undergoes the watery fusion.

**Oper.** Purgative; in small doses diuretic.

**Use.** In costiveness, the most generally employed purgative; in bilious colics, largely diluted.

**Dose.** Of the effloresced salt in powder  $\bar{3}ij.$  to  $\bar{3}vj.$ : of the crystallized salt in solution  $\bar{3}vj.$  to  $\bar{3}xij.$

**Incomp.** Sulphas potassæ, sulphas magnesiae.

**SODA POTASSIO-TARTRAS.** P. 1824. — *Tartarizata.* Potassio tartrate of Soda. (Sodæ Carbonatis  $\bar{3}xij.$  Potassæ Bitartratis Cont.  $\bar{3}xvi.$ , Aq. Ferr. Oiv.) Dissolve the carbonate in the water, and add gradually the bitartrate. Filter the solution; then apply a gentle heat until a pellicle forms, and crystallize. The liquor being poured off, dry them. Evaporate the liquor again that it may yield crystals. *Soda Tartarizatum.*

**Comp.** Tartrate of potassa 54, tartrate of soda 46 in 100 parts: or 1 eq. of tartrate of potassa = 113.63 + 1 of tartrate of soda = 97.78 + 8 of water = 72, equiv. = 283.41.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste bitter; crystals eight sided prisms the ends truncated at right angles: efflorescent; soluble in five parts of water.

**Oper.** Cathartic.

**Use.** In costiveness; well suited to cases of jaundice, calculus, and puerperal fevers.

**Dose.**  $\bar{3}j.$  to  $\bar{3}j.$

**SPIGELIA.** Indian Pink Root. (Pentand. Monogyn. N. O. Gentianaceæ, North America. 4.)

**Oper.** Anthelmintic.

**Use.** For the expulsion of lumbrici; but seldom used.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to to ʒss. of the powdered root, every night and morning, till the worms are expelled.

**SPIRITUS ÆTHERIS SULPHURICI COMPOSITUS.** Compound Spirit of Æther. (*Ætheris Sulph.* f ʒ viij., *Spiritus Rectificati* f ʒ xvj., *Olei Ætherici* f ʒ iij. Mix.) *Spiritus Ætheris Vitriolici.*

*Oper.* Stimulant, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In typhus fever, hysteria, and to allay irritation in painful diseases; in headache externally, when the part to which it is applied is kept covered with the hand, in which case it acts as a rubefacient.

*Dose.* f ʒss. to f ʒij. in any convenient vehicle.

**SPIRITUS ÆTHERIS NITRICI,** Spirit of Nitric Æther (*Spir. Rect.* ℥iij., *Acidi Nitrici* ʒiv.) Add the acid gradually on the spirit, and mix; then distil, by a gentle heat, f ʒxxij.

*Comp.* 1 eq. of ether = 37.48 + 1 of hyponitrous acid = 38.15, equiv. = 75.63.

*Prop.* Odour fragrant; taste pungent; acidulous, colourless; volatile, inflammable; soluble in alcohol and water; sp. grav. 0.834.

*Oper.* Refrigerant, diuretic, antispasmodic, diaphoretic.

*Use.* In febrile diseases; spasmodic asthma; and dropsies, as an assistant to more active remedies.

*Dose.* ℥xx. to f ʒj. in any convenient vehicle.

**SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ.** Spirits of Ammonia. (*Ammoniæ Hydrochloratis* ʒx., *Potassa Carb.* ʒxvj., *Spir. Rect.*, *Aquæ* ā ā ʒiij. Mix, and distil ʒiij.

*Prop.* Odour pungent, ammoniacal; taste pungent, acrid; colourless.

*Oper.* Stimulant, diaphoretic, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In paralysis, faintings, and nervous debilities.

*Dose.* f ʒss. to f ʒj. in water.

**SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ AROMATICUS.** Aromatic Ammoniated Alcohol (*Ammoniæ Hydrochlor.* ʒv., *Potassæ Carb.* ʒviij., *Cinnamomi.* *Caryophyllorum,* cont. ā ā ʒij., *Cort. Limonum* ʒiv., *Spir. Rect.*, *Aquæ* ā ā ʒiv. Mix, and distil six pints.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, diaphoretic.

*Use.* In the same cases as the spirit of ammonia; it is more grateful, and less acrimonious.

*Dose.* f ʒss. to f ʒj. in any convenient vehicle.

*Off. Prep.* *Tinct. Colchici Comp.*, *Tinct. Guaiaci Comp.*, *Tinct. Valerianæ Comp.*

**SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ FÆTIDUS.** Fætid Spirit of Ammonia. (*Ammon. Hydrochl.* ʒx., *Potassæ Carb.* ʒxvj., *Spir. Rect.*, *Aquæ* sing. ʒiij., *Assafœtida* ʒv. Mix, and with a slow fire distil three pints.

*Prop.* Odour fætid and ammoniacal; taste alkaliescent, acrid, and slightly alliaceous; pale when recent; coloured brown by age.

*Oper.* Stimulant, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In hysteria, atonic gout, and spasmodic asthma.

*Dose.* f ʒss. to f ʒj. in water.



**SPIRITUS ANISI.** Spirit of Aniseed. (*Anisi cont.* ʒxx., *Spir. Ten. Cong.*, *Aquæ* 0ij. Mix, and distil a gallon by a gentle heat.) A spirituous solution of the oil of aniseed.

*Oper.* Carminative.

*Use.* In flatulent states of the stomach; but it is often abused, and produces dram drinking.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒiv.

**SPIRITUS ARMORACIÆ COMPOSITUS.** Compound Spirit of Horse Radish. (*Armoraciæ concisæ*, *Aurant. Cort. exsic. sing.* ʒxx., *Myristicæ contus.* ʒv., *Spir. Ten. Cong. j.*, *Aquæ* 0ij. Mix, and distil a gallon.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, antiscorbutic.

*Use.* Scarcely now used in Scorbutus; but it is a useful adjunct to infusion of foxglove, in dropsies attended with much debility.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒiv.

*Off. Prep.* *Inf. Armoraciæ comp.*

**SPIRITUS CARUI.** Spirit of Caraway. (*Carui contus.* ʒxxij., *Spir. Ten. Cong. j.*, *Aquæ* 0ij. Mix, and distil a gallon.) A spirituous solution of the oil.

*Oper.* Carminative.

*Use.* In flatulence; and as an adjunct to griping purgatives.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒss.

**SPIRITUS CINNAMOMI.** Spirit of Cinnamon. (*Cinnamomi Olei* ʒij., *Spir. Ten. Cong. j.*, *Aquæ* 0j. Mix, and with a slow fire distil a gallon.) A spirituous solution of the oil.

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* In diseases attended with much languor and debility.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒiv.

*Off. Prep.* *Infusum Digitalis.*

**SPIRITUS JUNIPERI COMPOSITUS.** Compound Spirit of Juniper. (*Juniperi fruct. cont.* ʒxv., *Carui. cont.*, *Fœniculi cont. sing.* ʒij., *Spir. Ten. Cong. j.*, *Aquæ* 0ij. Mix, and distil a gallon.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, diuretic.

*Use.* As an adjunct to diuretic infusions in dropsies.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒss.

**SPIRITUS LAVANDULÆ.** Spirit of Lavender. (*Lavandulæ recent.* lbijss., *Spir. Rect. Cong. j.*, *Aquæ* 0ij. Mix, and distil a gallon.) A spirituous solution of the oil.

*Use.* As a perfume, and to make the following articles:—

*Off. Prep.* *Tinct. Lavandulæ Comp. Linimentum Camphoræ Comp.*

**SPIRITUS MENTHÆ PIPERITÆ.** Spirit of Peppermint. (*Olei Menthæ Pip.* ʒij., *Spiritus tenuoris Cong. j.*, *Aquæ* 0j. Mix, and distil a gallon.)

*Oper.* Carminative, stimulant.

*Use.* In nausea, flatulence, and faintings.

*Dose.* fʒss. to fʒij.

**SPIRITUS MENTHÆ VIRIDIS.** Spirit of Spearmint. Prepared the same as Peppermint.

*Oper.* Carminative, stimulant.

*Use.* In nausea, flatulence, and faintings.

*Dose.* fʒss. to fʒij. in any proper vehicle.

**SPIRITUS MYRISTICÆ.** Spirit of Nutmeg. (*Myristicæ cont.* 3ijss  
*Spir. Ten. Cong. j. Aquæ 0j.* Mix and distill a gallon.)

*Oper.* Cordial, carminative.

*Use.* In faintings; and as an adjunct to griping purgatives.

*Dose.* f3ss. to f3iv.

*Off. Prep.* *Mist. Ferri Comp.*

**SPIRITUS PIMENTÆ.** Spirit of Pimento. Prepared the same as the Spirits of Nutmeg.

*Oper.* Cordial, carminative.

*Use.* In flatulent colic, atonic gout, &c.

*Dose.* f3j. to f3iv.

**SPIRITUS MENTHÆ PULEGII.** P. 1824——— *Pulegii.* Spirit of Pennyroyal.

*Oper. and Use.* Prepared the same as Peppermint, and is used in the same cases.

*Dose.* f3j. to f3iv.

**SPIRITUS RECTIFICATUS.** Rectified Spirit. Spec. grav. 835.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of Alcohol.

**SPIRITUS ROSMARINI.** Spirit of Rosemary. (*Olei Rosmarini*  
*3℥. Spir. Rectif. Cong. j. Aquæ 0j.* Mix, and, with a slow fire, distil a gallon.)

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* In languors; externally to pains and bruises; a fragrant perfume.

*Dose* f3j. to f3iv.

*Off. Prep.* *Linimentum Saponis, Tinct, Lavendulæ Comp.*

**SPIRITUS TENUIOR.** Proof Spirit.

*Comp.* Alcohol 44, water 56 parts in 100. Spec. grav. 930,

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* In the same cases internally, as those in which alcohol is used: externally, much diluted in ophthalmia, superficial inflammation, and burns; chiefly employed as a solvent of vegetable matters in the formation of tinctures, &c.

*Off. Prep.* *Tincturæ Variæ, Spiritus.*

**SPIRITUS VINI GALLICI.** Spirits of French Wine. (Brandy.)

*Oper and Use.* Stimulant, employed in the low stage of Cholera and Fever.

*Off. Prep.* *Mist. Spir. Vin Gallici.*

**STANNUM.** Tin Filings and powder.

*Prop.* Odour peculiar, when rubbed; insipid colour white, softish; spec. grav. 7.291.

*Oper.* Mechanically anthelmintic.

*Use.* In worm cases, in which the *tænia* and *lumbricus teres* are to be dislodged.

*Dose.* From 3j. to 3ij. in treacle, on an empty stomach, for several successive mornings, increasing the dose to 3iij. or 3iv. It should be followed by a purgative.

**STAPHISAGRIA.** Staves Acre Seed. (*Delphinium Staphisagra, Polyandria, Trigyni, N. O. Ranunculaceæ.* Istria, Apulia, Crete. ♂)

*Prop.* Odour disagreeable; taste nauseous, bitterish, hot; figure an irregular triangle; externally black; white within.

*Oper.* Cathartic, emetic, vermifuge.

*Use.* Owing to the violence of its operation, it is very seldom given internally; and is only used as a powder mixed with hair-powder to destroy pediculi.

*Dose.* Gr. iij. to gr. x. of the powder.

**STRAMONII SEMINA FOLIA.** The leaves and seeds of Thorn Apple.

*Off. Prep.* *Extract. Stramonii*, which see.

**STRYCHNIA.** Strychnine. (*Strychni Nucis Vomicae cont. lbij. Spir.*

*Rect. Cij. Acid Sulph. dilut., Magnesia Solutio Ammoniae aa q. s. s.*

Boil the bruised Nux vomica with a gallon of the Spirit for an hour in a retort, to which a receiver is fitted. Pour off the liquor, and again, and a third time boil what remains with another gallon of Spirit, and the spirit recently distilled, and pour off the liquor. Press the Nux vomica, and let the Spirit distil from the mixed and strained liquors. Evaporate what remains to the proper consistence of an extract. Dissolve this in cold water and strain. Evaporate the liquor with a gentle heat until it has the consistence of a Syrup. To this while yet warm gradually add the Magnesia to saturation, shaking them together. Set it aside for two days, then pour off the supernatant liquor. Press what remains wrapped in cloth. Boil it in Spirit, then strain, and let the Spirit distil. Add to the residue a very little diluted Sulphuric Acid mixed with Water, and macerate with a gentle heat. Set it aside for twenty-four hours that crystals may form. Press and dissolve them. Afterwards to these dissolved in Water add Ammonia, frequently shaking them, that the Strychnia may be thrown down. Lastly, dissolve this in boiling Spirit, and set it aside that crystals may be produced.

*Oper.* Stimulant and Tonic; producing Tetanic Spasms of the muscles, and a burning sensation in the stomach.

*Use.* In beriberi, gout, Dyspepsia and paralysis; from its peculiar power on the nervous system it might probably be useful in Cholera.

*Dose.* 1-16th gr. gradually increased to gr. i. three times a day.

Externally it has been used with the best effects by sprinkling it on a blistered surface.

**STYRAX.** Storax. (*Styrax Officinale, Decand. Monogyn. N. O. Styracæ. Syria. 5.*)

*Comp.* Resin, benzoic acid.

*Prep.* Odour fragrant, agreeable; taste aromatic; in masses composed of distinct tears of a yellowish-red or brownish colour. Often adulterated with saw dust.

*Oper.* Stimulant, expectorant.

*Use.* Seldom used alone, but as an adjunct, chiefly on account of its fragrance and aromatic properties.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to ʒss.

*Off. Prep.* *Pilule Styracis Comp., Tinct. Benzoini Comp.*



**SUCCINUM.** Amber. (Found on the shores of the Baltic.)

*Comp.* A resinous matter, essential oil, and an acid *sui generis*.

*Prop.* Inodorous, except when heated or rubbed; insipid; in fragments of a pale golden yellow colour; transparent; has a shining lustre; fracture conchoidal; brittle; sp. grav. 1.08; insoluble in water; slightly acted on by alcohol.

*Use.* To afford its essential oil and acid.

*Off. Prep.* *Oleum Succini.*

**SAMBUCUS.** The flowers of the Black Elder.

*Use.* For making the distilled water, &c.

*Off. Prep.* *Aqua Sambuci, Ung. Sambuci, Oleum Sambuci.*

**SULPHUR.** Roll Sulphur. (A volcanic production. Sicily.) Impure sulphur, melted, and run into moulds.

*Prop.* Odorous, when heated or rubbed; insipid, solid, brittle; sp. grav. 1.99; fusible at 226°, crystallizing as it cools; volatilized by heat, condensing unchanged.

*Off. Prep.* *Empl. Hydrarg., Emp. Ammon. cum Hydrarg., Hydrarg. Bisulphuretum, Hyd. Sulphur. cum Sulphur., Potass. Sulphur.*

**SYRUPUS.** Simple Syrup. (*Sacchari ℞x., Aquæ Oijj.* Dissolve the sugar in the water with a gentle heat.)

*Prop.* Inodorous, sweet, thickish, transparent.

*Use.* To cover nauseous tastes; but it seldom renders medicine more pleasant, and might well be altogether dispensed with. It is the base of most of the other syrups.

*Off. Prep.* *Pil. Rhei. Com., Pil. Scillæ Com., Confect. Opii, Pil. Aloet. Com., Pil. Aloet. cum Myrrha, Pil. Galbani Com.*

**SYRUPUS ALTHÆÆ.** Syrup of Marshmallows. (*Althææ Rad. contus. ℥viij., Sacch. ℞ijss., Aquæ Oiv.* Boil the root in the water to one-half, and press out the liquor; Set it by for twenty-four hours that the dregs may subside; then pour off the liquor, and the Sugar being added, boil down to a proper consistence.

*Oper.* Emollient, demulcent.

*Use.* In catarrh, nephritic cases, and for sweetening demulcent drinks in acute fevers.

*Dose.* f3j. to f3ijj.

**SYRUPUS AURANTII.** Syrup of Orange Peel. (*Aurant Cort. recent. ℥ijss., Aquæ Ferv. Oj., Sacch. ℞ijj.* Macerate the peel in the water for twelve hours in a covered vessel; then to the decanted fluid add the sugar.)

*Oper.* Slightly tonic; stomachic.

*Use.* An elegant adjunct to stomachic draughts and mixtures.

*Dose.* f3j. to f3ijj.

**SYRUPUS CROCI.** Syrup of Saffron. (*Croci* ʒx. *Aquæ Ferrent.* 0j. *Sacch.* ℥iij.) Macerate the Saffron in the Water for twelve hours in a vessel lightly covered; then strain the liquor and add the sugar to it.

*Oper.* Cordial.

*Use.* As an adjunct to stomachic and cordial draughts; but chiefly used on account of its colour.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒij.

**SYRUPUS LIMONUM.** Syrup of Lemons. (*Limonis Succu colati* 0j., *Sacchari* ℥iijss.) *Syrupus Succu Limonum.* Dissolve the Sugar in the Lemon Juice, with a gentle heat, then set aside for twenty-four hours; afterwards remove the scum, and pour off the clear liquor from the dregs, if there be any.

*Oper.* Cooling, antiseptic.

*Use.* To sweeten and acidulate barley water, and other diluting fluids, in inflammatory and bilious fever. A useful addition to detergent gargles.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒij. or more.

**SYRUPUS MORI.** Syrup of Mulberry. (*Mori Succu colati* 0j., *Sacch.* ℥iijss.) Dissolve the sugar in the Mulberry Juice with a gentle heat.

*Oper.* Cooling.

*Use.* For acidulating and sweetening diluting fluids in febrile diseases; and as an adjunct to gargles.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒiij. or more.

**SYRUPUS PAPAVERIS.** Syrup of Poppies. (*Papaveris* ℥iij., *Sacch.* ℥v., *Aq. Ferr. cong.* v. Boil the capsules in the water to two gallons, and express strongly. Boil the liquor to 0iv., and strain while hot. Defæcate by rest for twelve hours, and boil the clear liquor to 0ij. adding the sugar so as to form a syrup.) fʒj. contains about gr. j. of opium.

*Oper.* Anodyne.

*Use.* In catarrh, to abate coughing; and in the diseases of children to allay pain and procure sleep. The degree of strength of the preparation is very uncertain. R *Olei olivæ*, *oxymellis scillæ*, *syr. papav.* alb. sing. fʒj. in doses of a teaspoonful, in obstinate coughs and in pertussis.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒj. according to the age of the patient.

•• It very readily ferments, and therefore should be kept in a cool place.

**SYRUPUS RHÆADOS.** Syrup of Red Poppy. (*Rhæados* ℥ij., *Aquæ Ferrent.* 0j. *Sacch. Purif.* ℥iijss. To the water, heated in a water bath, add the petals gradually, stirring occasionally; next remove the vessel, and macerate for twelve hours; then express the liquor, defæcate, and add the sugar so as to form a syrup.)

*Use.* As colouring matter.

**SYRUPUS RHAMNI.** Syrup of Buckthorn. (*Rhamni Succī recent. 0iv., Zingiberis concisæ, Pimentæ contrit. sing. 3vj., Sacch. ʒiiv.* Defæcate the juice by rest, for three days, and strain. To a pint of the defæcated juice add the ginger root and pimenta; then macerate, in a gentle heat, for four hours, and strain; boil what remains to one pint and a half, mix the liquors, and add sugar so as to form a syrup.) *Syrupus Spinæ Cervinæ.*

*Oper.* Cathartic, but attended with griping, and dryness of the mouth and fauces.

*Use.* To open the bowels; but owing to its very unpleasant taste, it is seldom employed except in clysters.

*Dose.* f3iv. to f3j. drinking freely of gruel, and other tepid fluids, during the operation.

**SYRUPUS ROSÆ.** Syrup of the Rose. (*Rosæ Centifoliæ exsiccata. 3vij., Sacch. ʒvj., Aquæ Ferv. 0iij.* Macerate the petals in the water for twelve hours; evaporate the strained liquor to 0ij., and add the sugar so as to form a syrup.)

*Oper.* Gently laxative.

*Use.* In costiveness of weak habits, and of children.

*Dose.* f3ij. to f3j, or more.

*Off. Prep.* *Conf. Cassiæ, Confect. Scammonii.*

**SYRUPUS SARZÆ.** Syrup of Sarsaparilla. (*R. Bruised root of Sarsaparilla 3xv., boiling water a gallon, purified sugar 3xv.,* Macerate the root in water for twenty-four hours; then boil down to four pints, and strain the liquor while it is yet hot; then add the sugar, and boil down to a proper consistence.)

*Use.* In the same cases as the root.

*Dose.* From f3j. to f3iv.

**SYRUPUS SENNÆ.** Syrup of Senna, (*Sennæ 3ijss., Fœniculi contus. 3x., Mannæ 3iij., Sacch. 3xv., Aquæ Ferv. 0j.* Macerate the senna and fennel for an hour; Mix the Manna and Sugar with the strained Liquor; then boil down to a proper consistence.

*Oper.* Purgative.

*Use.* For the costiveness of children, and persons of a delicate habit of body.

*Dose.* f3ij. to f3ss. or more.

**SYRUPUS TOLUTANI.** Syrup of Tolu. (*Balsami Tolutani 3x., Aq. Ferv. 0j., Sacch. ʒijss.* Boil the balsam for half an hour in a covered vessel, occasionally stirring; strain when cold, and add sugar to the liquor, so as to form a syrup.)

*Use.* Simply to give its agreeable flavour to draughts, mixtures, and emulsions.

*Dose.* f3j. to f3iv.

**SYRUPUS ZINGIBERIS.** Syrup of Ginger. (*Zingiberis concisæ 3ijss., Aquæ Ferv. 0j. Sacch. ʒijss.* Macerate the Ginger in the Water for four hours and strain then add the sugar and dissolve it.)

*Oper.* Cordial, stomachic, carminative.

*Use.* As an adjunct to bitter and tonic infusions.

*Dose.* 3j. to 3iij.

*Off. Prep.* *Pil. Sagapeni Comp.*



**TABACUM.** The Leaves of Tobacco. (*Pentand. Menogynia*, N. O. *Solanaceæ*. America. ☉.)

**Prop.** Odour, of the dried leaves, strong, foetid, narcotic; taste bitter, extremely acrid; burns with a sparkling light, owing to the nitrate of potassa, which it contains; an essential oil, which is soluble in both water and alcohol, and *nicotin*, a peculiar substance, on which its virtues are supposed to depend.

**Oper.** Narcotic, sedative, diuretic, emetic, cathartic, errhine, a violent poison, whether externally applied, or taken into the stomach.

**Use.** In tetanus, ileus, and incarcerated hernia, in the form of clyster of the infusion, or the smoke; in dropsy and dysuria; chewing it relieves the pain of toothache; and, as an errhine, it forms the basis of all the snuffs in common use. The infusion has been used as a lotion in scabies, tinea capitis, and other eruptions; but it is apt to induce sickness.

**Dose.** For clysters ʒj. is infused in Oj. of boiling water.

**Off. Prep.** *Enema Tabaci*.

**TAMARINDUS.** The Pulp of the Tamarind. (*Tamarindus Indica*, the Tamarind Tree. *Monadelph. Triand.* N. O. *Leguminosæ*. East and West Indies. ♀.)

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste acrid, sweet; juicy, when fresh and good; the seeds are hard; and the blade of a knife thrust into the pulp should not become coated with copper. One ounce contains citric acid 45, malic acid 2, acidulous tartrate of potassa 15 gr., gelatine, mucilage, fecula, and sugar.

**Oper.** Laxative, refrigerant.

**Use.** In dysentery and fevers, particularly those attended with an increased secretion of bile, and putrid symptoms. Tamarind whey, made by boiling ʒij. of the fruit with ʒjss. of milk, and straining, is an excellent diluent in fevers.

**Dose.** ʒss. to ʒij. often added to cassia and to manna.

**Incomp.** Carbonates, and acetates of potassa, and soda; the resinous cathartics; infusum sennæ.

**Off. Prep.** *Confect. Cassiæ*, *Confect. Sennæ*.

**TARAXACUM.** The Root of Dandelion. (*Syngen. Polygam. Æqual.* N. O. *Compositæ*. Indigenous. 2.)

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste at first slightly sweetish and acidulous, then bitter.

**Oper.** Aperient, diuretic, resolvent.

**Use.** In chronic inflammation, and incipient scirrhus of the liver; chronic derangements of the stomach; dropsy; pulmonary tubercles; and jaundice.

**Dose.** ʒij., of the following infusion three or four times a day: R the full grown roots sliced ʒj. water Oij. Boil gently to a pint, strain, and add bitartrate of potassa ʒiij.

**Incomp.** Infusion of galls, nitrate of silver, bichloride of mercury, acetate of lead, sulphate of iron.

**Off. Prep.** *Ext. Taraxaci*, *Decoct. Scoparii Comp.*

**TEREBINTHINA CANADENSIS.** *Resina liquida Pini.* Canada Turpentine. (*Pinus Balsamea*, Norway Spruce Fir, *Monœcia Monadelphica*, N. O. *Coniferæ*, Canada.  $\S$ .)

**TEREBINTHINA CHIA.** Chio Turpentine. (*Pistacia Terebinthus*, *Diccia* *Pentland*, N. O. *Terebinaceæ*, South of Europe.  $\S$ .)

**TEREBINTHINÆ OLEUM.** Oil of Turpentine. The volatile oil.

**TEREBINTHINÆ VULGARIS.** Common Turpentine. (*Pinus Silvestris*, Scotch Fir. North of Europe.  $\S$ .)

*All these turpentines have properties in common, with something peculiar to each; the three former are used internally, the latter only externally.*

*Comp.* Resin, essential oil; the Canadian contains the largest proportion of oil.

*Prop.* Odour penetrating; taste warm, pungent, bitterish; colour pale yellow. The Canadian and Chian are thin, limpid, transparent; the other two thicker, viscid, and less transparent; soluble in æther and alcohol; combine with fixed oil; insoluble in water, but impart to it their flavour.

*Oper.* Stimulant, diuretic, cathartic.

*Use.* In chronic rheumatism, gleet, leucorrhœa, nephritic affections, and mucous obstructions of the urinary organs. United with water by means of yolk of egg, they are given clysterways in colic, obstinate costiveness, and to destroy ascarides. The latter kinds, enter into the composition of plasters.

*Dose.*  $\mathfrak{z}j.$  to  $\mathfrak{z}j.$  in pills or bolus, united with powder of liquorice root; or emulsion with mucilage or yolk of egg.

*Off. Prep.* *Empl. Galbani.*, *Ung. Elemi.*

**TESTÆ.** Oyster Shells. (*Ostrea Edulis*, the Oyster, Cl. *Vermes*. Ord. *Testaceæ*, *Molusca*, *Acephala*, Cuv.)

*Comp.* Carbonate of lime, and animal matter, the latter of which is destroyed when the shell is burnt, and pure lime remains.

*Oper.* Antacid, absorbent.

*Use.* Chiefly in the acidities of infancy; and during dentition.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to  $\mathfrak{z}ij.$

**TIGLII OLEUM.** Oil of Croton. (*Croton Tiglium*, *Monœcia Monadelphica*, N. O. *Euphorbiaceæ*, Moluccas,  $\S$ .) An expressed oil.

*Prop.* Colour pale brownish-yellow; odour none; taste warm and pricking and extremely permanent.

*Oper.* Drastic, purgative.

*Use.* In apoplexy, obstinate costiveness, and whenever a quick and powerful action on the bowels is required, particularly useful in maniacal cases.

*Dose.* From  $\mathfrak{m}j.$  to  $\mathfrak{m}v.$  made into pills, with crumb of bread: or rubbed up with mucilage and syrup.

**TINCTURES.** All Tinctures should be prepared in stopped glass vessels, and frequently shaken during maceration.

**TINCTURA ALOES.** Tincture of Aloes. (*Aloes cont.* ℥j., *Ext. Glycyrrhizæ* ℥ij., *Aq.* Ojss., *Spir. Rect.* Oss. Macerate for fourteen days, and strain.)

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of the extract of aloes.

*Dose.* f℥ss. to f℥jss.

**TINCTURA ALOES COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Aloes. *Aloes cont.* ℥iv. *Croc.* ℥ij. *Tinct. myrrhæ* Oij. Digest fourteen days, and strain.)

*Oper.* Purgative, stomachic, emmenagogue.

*Use.* To open the bowels in languid cold habits; in chlorosis.

*Dose.* f℥j. to f℥ij.

**TINCTURA AMMONIÆ COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Ammonia. (*Mastiche* ℥ij. *Spir. Rect.* f℥ix. *Lavand. Olei.* ℥xiv., *Succini Olei* ℥iv. *Liquoris Ammoniæ fort.* Oj. Macerate the Mastic in the spirit, and decant the Tincture; then add the other articles, and shake altogether.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In pertussis, hysteria, and nervous affections.

*Dose.* ℥v. to ℥xx.

**TINCTURA ASSAFÆTIDÆ.** Tincture of Assafœtida. (*Assafœtidæ* ℥v. *Spir. Rectif.* Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, and filter.)

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of Assafœtida.

*Dose.* ℥x. to f℥j. (It becomes turbid when mixed with water.)

**TINCTURA AURANTII.** Tincture of Orange Peel. (*Aurantii Cort. exsiccati* ℥ijss. *Spir. Tenuioris* Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, and filter.)

*Oper.* Stomachic.

*Use.* As an adjunct to bitter stomachic draughts.

*Dose.* f℥ss. to ℥ij. or more.

**TINCTURA BALSAMI TOLUTANI.** Tincture of Balsam of Tolu. (*Balsami Tolutani* ℥ij. *Spir. Rect.* Oij. Macerate until the Balsam is dissolved, and strain.)

*Oper. and Use.* The same as the Balsam of Tolu.

**TINCTURA BENZOINI COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Benzoin. (*Benzoini* ℥ijss. *Styracis colati* f℥ijss. *Balsami Tolutani* ℥x., *Aloes* ℥v., *Spiritus Rect.* Oij. Macerate for fourteen days.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, expectorant, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In old asthmatic cases; chronic catarrh; phthisis with a languid circulation. It is applied to wounds and languid ulcers, which it stimulates gently, and covers from the action of the air.

*Dose.* f℥ss. to f℥ij. rubbed up with yolk of egg, and any fluid.

**TINCTURA CALUMBÆ.** (*Calumbæ concisæ* ℥ij, *Spir. Tenuior.* Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, and strain.)

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of the root.

*Dose.* f℥ss. to f℥iv.

**TINCTURA CAMPHORÆ.** Tincture of Camphor. (*Camphoræ* ℥v., *Spir. Rect.* Oij. Mix that the camphor may be dissolved.)

*Oper.* Anodyne.

*Use.* A useful topical application in rheumatic and other pains.



**TINCTURA CAMPHORÆ COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Camphor. (*Camphoræ* ℥ijss., *Opii Duri* cont., *Acidi Benzoini*, sing. gr. lxxij. *Anisi Olei* ℥j. *Spir. Ten.* Oij. Macerate for 14 days, and strain.) f℥j. contains nearly gr. ij. of opium.

*Oper.* Anodyne.

*Use.* In catarrh, after the inflammatory symptoms are abated, to allay the tickling cough; chronic asthma; pertussis; and in cases where quiet, rather than sleep, is required.

*Dose.* f℥j. to ℥iij. at bed-time, using after it the inhaler; to children ℥v. to ℥xx., in almond mixture.

*Off. Prep.* *Mist. Cascarill. Comp.*

**TINCTURA CANTHARIDIS.** Tincture of the Spanish Fly. (*Cantharidis contus.* ℥iv. *Spir. Ten.* Oij.)

*Oper.* Diuretic, stimulant, narcotic.

*Use.* In gleet, hydrops ovarii, and leucorrhœa; but it is chiefly used as an external application, united with *Soap or Camphor Liniment*, against rheumatic and other pains. We have found it a useful application in that peculiar species of mortification of the extremities which sometimes takes place without any apparent cause: and to frost-bitten parts.

*Dose.* ℥x. to f℥j.

**TINCTURA CAPSICI.** Tincture of Capsicum (*Capsici Cont.* ℥x., *Spir. Ten.* Oij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* In the low stage of typhus, cynanche, maligna, and other diseases of debility.

*Dose.* f℥ss. to f℥ij. or more.

**TINCTURA CARDAMOMI.** Tincture of Cardamoms. (*Cardam. contus* ℥ijss., *Spir. Ten.* Oij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of the seeds.

*Dose.* f℥j. to f℥iv. or more.

**TINCTURA CARDAMOMI COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Cardamoms. (*Cardam.*, *Carui contrit.* sing. ℥ijss., *Cocci contritii* ℥j., *Cinnam. cont.* ℥v., *Uvæ* ℥v., *Spir. Ten.* Oij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Stomachic, carminative.

*Use.* An elegant adjunct to stomachic infusions, and to juleps; a good corrective to griping, or cold purgatives.

*Dose.* f℥ij. to f℥iv.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoct. Al. Comp.*, *Mist. Gentian. Comp.*

**TINCTURA CASCARILLÆ.** Tincture of Cascarilla. (*Cascarillæ contritii* ℥v., *Spir. Ten.* Oij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of the bark.

*Dose.* f℥j. to f℥iv. in any convenient vehicle.

**TINCTURA CASTOREI.** Tincture of Castor. (*Castorei cont.* ℥ijss., *Spir. Rectificati* Oij. Macerate for 14 days.)

*Oper.* Tonic, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In the neuroses, hysteria, and spasmodic affections.

*Dose.* ℥xx. to f℥ij. or more.

**TINCTURA CATECHU.** Tincture of Catechu. (*Catechu* ʒijss., *Cinnam. contusi* ʒijss., *Spir. Ten.* 0ij, Macerate for 14 days and strain.)

*Oper.* Astringent.

*Use.* In chronic dysentery and diarrhœa; leucorrhœa, and debilities.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒij. in wine, or some bitter infusion.

**TINCTURA CINCHONÆ.** Tincture of Cinchona. (*Cinchonæ Cordifoliæ cont.* ʒviij., *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of the bark; but owing to the quantity required to be exhibited to produce the effect of cinchona, the infusion or decoction is preferred.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒiv. or more.

**TINCTURA CINCHONÆ COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Cinchona. (*Cinchonæ Lancifoliæ cont.* ʒiv., *Aurant. Cort. exsiccati* ʒij., *Serpentariæ cont.* ʒvj., *Orci* ʒij., *Cocci cont.* ʒj., *Spir. Ten.* 0ij. Macerate for fourteen days, and filter.)

*Oper.* Tonic and antiperiodic.

*Use.* The same as the former; but it is more grateful, and therefore more frequently used in dyspepsia: and as an adjunct to disulphate of quina in agues.

*Dose.* fʒss. to fʒij.

**TINCTURA CINNAMOMI.** Tincture of Cinnamon. (*Cinnamomi contusi* ʒijss., *Spirit. Tenuioris* 0ij. Macerate for 14 days and strain.)

*Oper.* Astringent, stomachic.

*Use.* As an adjunct to astringent infusions; in chronic diarrhœa and dysentery; in dyspepsia, added to bitter infusions.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒij.

**TINCTURA CINNAMOMI COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Cinnamon. (*Cinnam. cont.* ʒj., *Cardam. cont.* ʒss., *Piperis Longi cont.*, *Zingiberis con. sing.* ʒijss., *Spir. Ten.* 0ij. Macerate for 14 days and strain.)

*Oper. and Use.* The same as the simple tincture; but it is more cordial, and therefore more useful in languors and weakness.

*Dose.* fʒj. to fʒij.

**TINCTURA COLCHICI.** Tincture of Meadow Saffron. (*Semen Colchici* ʒv., *Spiritus tenuioris* 0ij. Macerate for fourteen days, and then strain.)

*Oper. and Use.* The same as those of the dried bulb.

*Dose.* From ʒxx. to fʒjss.

**TINCTURA COLCHICI COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of meadow saffron. (*Colchici Sem. Cont.* ʒv., *Spts. Ammoniac Aromatici* 0ij. (Macerate for 14 days and strain.)

*Oper.* Diuretic.

*Dose.* From ʒss. to ʒjss.

**TINCTURA CONII.** Tincture of Hemlock. (*Conii Fol. sic.* ʒv., *Cardamomi contus.* ʒj. *Spir. Ten.* 0ij., Macerate for 14 days and strain.)

*Use.* The same as that of the leaves and extract.

**TINCTURA CUBEBAE.** Tincture of Cubebs. (*Cubebæ cont.* 3v., *Spir. Rect.* 0ij.) Macerate for fourteen days, and filter.

**Dose.** From ʒss. to ʒij., three times a day, in the compound Infusion of Linseed or any other bland fluid.

**TINCTURA DIGITALIS.** Tincture of Foxglove. (*Digitalis Fol. exsiccata.* 3iv., *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

**Oper. and Use.** The same as of the leaves. It is, perhaps, the best form under which this powerful remedy can be used, and its virtues longest preserved: but it should be made with recently dried leaves.

**Dose.** ℥vj. gradually increased to ℥xxv.

**TINCTURA FERRI AMMONIO CHLORIDUM.** P. 1824. ———

— *Ammoniat.* Tincture of Ammonio-chloride of Iron. (*Ferri Ammonio-Chloridi* 3iv., *Spir. Ten.* 0j.) Dissolve the Ammonio-chloride of Iron in the spirit, and filter.)

**Use.** The same as the solid, preparation.

**Dose.** fʒj. to fʒiij.

**TINCTURA FERRI SESQUICHLORIDI.** P. 1824 ———

*Muriatis.* Tincture of Muriate of Iron. (*Ferri Sesquioxyd.* 3vi., *Acidi Hydrochlorici* 0j. *Spir. Rectificati* 0iij.) Add the acid to the carbonate in a glass vessel, and shake it during three days. If there be any fæces, let them subside; then pour off the clear liquor, and add to it the spirit.)

**Comp.** Sesquichloride of iron, alcohol, water derived from the hydrochloric acid.

**Prop.** Taste very austere, styptic; colour brownish yellow.

**Oper.** Tonic, antispasmodic.

**Use.** Besides the cases for which salts of iron are usually employed, this tincture has been found serviceable in dysury, depending on spasmodic stricture of the urethra, in small doses repeated every fifteen minutes, till nausea be induced. It is also applied as a styptic to bleeding vessels in cancerous and loose fungous sores.

**Dose.** ℥x. gradually increased to fʒj.

**TINCTURA GALLÆ.** Tincture of the Galls. (*Gallæ contr.* 3v., *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

**Oper.** Astringent.

**Use.** In intestinal hæmorrhagies, obstinate protracted diarrhœas, and dysentery.

**Dose.** fʒj. to fʒiij.

**TINCTURA GENTIANÆ COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Gentian. (*Gentianæ concisæ* ʒijss., *Aurant. Cort. exsiccata* ʒx., *Cardam. contusi* 3v., *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for fourteen days and strain.

**Oper.** Tonic, stomachic.

**Use.** An elegant adjunct to stomachic infusions.

**Dose.** fʒj. to fʒiij.

**TINCTURA GUAIACI.** Tincture of Guaiacum. (*Guaiaci Res. cont.* 3viij., *Spir. Rect.* 0ij.) Macerate for fourteen days and strain.



*Oper.* Stimulant, sudorific, laxative.

*Use.* In rheumatic and arthritic cases.

*Dose.* f3j. to f3iv. triturated with mucilage, or some viscid substance, as water alone precipitates the guaiacum.

**TINCTURA GUAIACI COMPOSITA.** P. 1824. ———— *Ammoniata.* Compound Tincture of Guaiacum. (*Guaiaci Resinæ cont. 3vij., Spir. Ammoniac Aromat. 0ij.* Macerate for 14 days and strain.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, sudorific, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In chronic rheumatism, for which it is more particularly adapted than the former preparation.

*Dose.* f3ss. to f3ij. in milk, or any viscid fluid.

*Incomp.* Nitrous acid, sweet spirit of nitre, solution of chlorine.

**TINCTURA HELLEBORI.** P. 1824. ———— *Nigri.* Tincture of black Hellebore. (*Hellebori Contus.. 3v., Spir. Ten. 0ij.* Macerate for 14 days, and strain.)

*Oper.* Alterative, emmenagogue, purgative.

*Use.* In uterine obstructions in full plethoric habits, where chalybeates would be hurtful; in cutaneous eruptions.

*Dose.* f3ss. to f3j. in water, twice a day.

**TINCTURA HYOSCYAMI.** Tincture of Henbane. (*Hyoscyami Fol. exsiccat 3v., Spir. Ten. 0ij.*) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Narcotic, anodyne.

*Use.* To produce sleep and quiet in those cases for which laudanum is used. It does not affect the head, nor occasion costiveness.

*Dose.* ℥xvi. to f3ij.

**TINCTURA JALAPÆ.** Tincture of Jalap. (*Jalapæ cont. 3x., Spir. Ten. 0ij.*) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Cathartic.

*Use.* As an adjunct to purgative draughts.

*Dose.* f3j. to f3iv.

**TINCTURA IODINII COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Iodine. (*Iodini 3j. Potassi Iodidi 3ij., Spiritus rectificati 0ij.* Macerate until they are dissolved and strain. Preserve the mixture in a closely stopped vessel.

*Use.* In scrofula, bronchocele, and chlorosis.

*Dose.* From ℥x. to ℥xxx in a little syrup and water three times a day.

**TINCTURA KINO.** Tincture of Kino. (*Kino contriti 3iijss., Spir. Rect. 0ij.*) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Astringent.

*Use.* In chronic diarrhœa, dysentery, fluor albus, and lientery.

*Dose.* f3j. to f3ij. It must be triturated with mucilage, in order to mix it with aqueous liquors.

**TINCTURA LAVANDULÆ COMPOSITA.** P. 1824. *Spir. Lavandulæ Comp.* Compound Tincture of Lavender. (*Spir. Lavand.*

℥jss., *Spir. Rosmarini* Oss. *Cinnamomi* cont. *Myristicæ* cont. sing. 3℥ss., *Pterocarpi* cont. 3v.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.  
*Use.* In fainting and chronic debility.  
*Dose.* ℥xxx. to f3j.

*Off. Prep. Liq. Potass. Arsenitis.*

**TINCTURA LUPULI.** P. 1824. *Tinctura Humuli.* Tincture of Hop. (*Lupuli* 3vj. *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.  
*Oper.* Sedative, tonic.  
*Use.* In gout and rheumatism.  
*Dose.* ʒss. to 3iij.

**TINCTURA MYRRHÆ.** Tincture of Myrrh. (*Myrrhæ Contusæ* 3iij., *Spir. Rect.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Tonic, deobstruent, antiseptic, detergent.

*Use.* In the same cases as the powder; but it is chiefly used externally, united to infusion of roses and acids, in gargles; applied to foul ulcers, and exfoliating bones; and as a wash for the mouth when the gums are spongy.

*Dose.* f3ss. to f3j.

*Off. Prep. Tinct. Aloet. com.*

**TINCTURA OPII.** Tincture of Opium. (*Opii duri contriti* 3iij., *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain. xiiij. minims contains one grain of opium.

*Oper.* Anodyne.

*Use.* To allay pain, relax spasms, and procure sleep. Externally this tincture has a considerable effect when it is rubbed upon the skin, as we have seen in a case of repeated temporary lock-jaw, which always yielded to it. In fever it should be given when moisture begins to appear on the skin.

*Dose.* ℥x. to ℥xxx. or more.

*ff. Prep. Liniment. Opii, Enema Opii.*

\*. In tetanus, and other violent affections, (the quantity of laudanum that can be borne by the constitution is almost incredible. Currie gave f3vss. in twenty-six hours; see *Reports on Cold Water*, &c.

**TINCTURA RHEI COMPOSITA.** Compound Tincture of Rhubarb. (*Rhei concisæ* 3ijss. *Glycyrrhizæ contusæ* 3vj. *Zingiberis, concisæ, Croci* sing. 3iij. *Spir. Ten.* 0ij. Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Dose.* 3j. to 3ij. as stomachic, 3iv. to 3j. purgative.

**TINCTURA SCILLÆ.** Tincture of Squill, *Scillæ recent. exsiccata* 3v. *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of the bulb in substance.

*Dose.* ℥x. to f3j. in almond mixture, or mucilage.

**TINCTURA SENNÆ COMPOSITA.** P. 1824—*Sennæ.* Compound Tincture of Senna. (*Sennæ* 3iijss., *Carui* con. 3iijss., *Cardamom. Cont.* 3j., *Uvæ* 3v. *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Stomachic, carminative, cathartic.

*Use.* In flatulent colic ; and to open the bowels in those who labour under atonic gout, and whose bowels have been weakened by hard drinking. It is a useful adjunct to the infusion of Senna.

*Dose.* f3ij, to f3ss.

**TINCTURA SERPENTARIÆ.** Tincture of Snake Root. (*Serpentaria cont.* 3iijss. *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Tonic, stimulant, sudorific.

*Use.* United with infusion of cinchona in typhoid and putrid fevers ; in gout ; and periodic headache.

*Dose.* f3ss. to f3ij.

**TINCTURA VALERIANÆ.** Tincture of Valerian. (*Valerianæ cont.* 3v., *Spir. Ten.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Stimulant, antispasmodic.

*Use.* In nervous and spasmodic affections ; but it has less efficacy than the powder.

*Dose.* f3ss. to f3ij.

**TINCTURA VALERIANÆ COMPOSITA.** P. 1824. ——— *Ammoniata.* Compound Tincture of Valerian. (*Valerianæ* 3v., *Spir. Ammoniacæ Aromat.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper. and Use.* The same as of the former ; but, on account of the ammonia, this is more useful in hysteria.

*Dose.* f3ss. to f3ij. in milk, or some bland fluid.

**TINCTURA ZINGIBERIS.** Tincture of Ginger. (*Zingiberis concisi* 3iijss., *Spir. Rect.* 0ij.) Macerate for 14 days and strain.

*Oper.* Stimulant, carminative.

*Use.* In atonic gout, when it attacks the stomach ; flatulencies ; and as a corrigent to griping purgatives.

*Dose.* f3j. to f3iij.

**TORMENTILLA.** Common Tormentil Root. (*Potentilla Tormentilla*) (*Icosand. Polygyn. N. O. Rosaceæ. Europe 4.*) *Tormentilla officinalis.*

*Prop.* Odour slightly aromatic ; taste austere, styptic ; roots knotty ; externally blackish, internally reddish.

*Comp.* Its active principle is tannin.

*Oper.* Astringent.

*Use.* In the same cases as other astringents ; but as it does not increase the heat of the body, tormentil is preferred in phthisical diarrhœas.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to 3j. of the powder.

*Off. Prep.* *Pulv. cretæ Comp., Decoct. Torm.*

**TOXICODENDRON.** Sumach Leaves. (*Rhus Toxicodendron.* Poison Oak. *Pentand. Trigyn. N. O. Anacardaceæ, America. ♂.*)

*Prop.* Inodorous ; taste subacid.

*Comp.* Gallic acid, tannin, and an acrid matter.

*Oper.* Stimulant and narcotic.



*Use.* In paralytic affections and herpetic eruptions; but in the former its efficacy is doubtful.

*Dose.* Gr. ss. to gr. iv. twice or thrice a day.

**TRAGACANT** A. Tragacanth. (*Astragalus verus*, *Diadelpia Decand.* N. O. *Leguminosæ*. Persia.  $\bar{h}$ .)

*Prop.* Inodorous; nearly insipid, impressing only a very slight bitter taste as it dissolves; colour whitish; semi-transparent; striated; in thin vermiform pieces; completely pulverulent in frosty weather only; does not form a smooth, uniform mucilage with water.

*Oper.* Demulcent.

*Use.* Small quantities held in the mouth, and swallowed very slowly, sheath the fauces and allay tickling cough; but it is chiefly used for pharmaceutical purposes.

*Dose.* Gr. x. to  $\bar{z}$ j.

*Incomp.* Cupri sulphas, plumbi acetas, and sulphas ferri precipitate its mucilage.

*Off. Prep.* *Pulvis Tragacanthæ Comp.*

**TUSSILAGO.** Coltsfoot. (*Syngenesia Superflua*, N. O. *Compositæ*. Indigenus.  $\bar{4}$ .)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste sweetish, glutinous, subacid.

*Oper.* Demulcent, expectorant.

*Use.* In coughs, phthisis, other pulmonary complaints, and cutaneous diseases.

*Dose.*  $\bar{3}$ ss. to  $\bar{3}$ j. in milk. It is more generally given in decoctions, made with a handful of the leaves boiled in two pints of water to one pint; strained and sweetened with syrup; the dose, a tea-cupful occasionally.

**ULMUS.** The Inner Bark of Elm. (*Pentand. Digynia*, N. O. *Ulmaceæ*. Europe.  $\bar{h}$ .)

*Prop.* Inodorous; taste bitter, austere, mucilaginous.

*Oper.* Tonic, alterative, diuretic.

*Use.* In lepra, and other cutaneous affections; it is generally combined with mercurials, as pilula hydiargyri chloridi comp.

*Dose.* See *Decoction*.

*Off. Prep.* *Decoctum Ulmi*.

**UNGUENTUM ANTIMONII POTASSIO-TARTRATIS.** Ointment of Potassio-tartrate of Antimony. (*Antimonii Potassio-tartratis in pulv. tritæ*  $\bar{3}$ j., *Adipis*  $\bar{3}$ iv. Mix.)

*Oper.* As a topical stimulant to cause pustular eruptions on the skin and produce counter-irritation.

*Use.* In internal inflammations, and rheumatism of the joints.

This ointment is stronger than is generally prescribed; one part of Tartar Emetic to eight of lard is the usual strength.

**UNGUENTUM CETACEI.** Ointment of Spermaceti. (*Cetacei*, 3vj., *Ceræ Albæ* 3ij., *Olivæ Olei* f3ij.) Melt them together with a slow fire, then stir constantly until they become cold.

*Use.* The ordinary dressing for blistered parts and excoriations.

**UNGUENTUM CREASOTI.** Ointment of Creasote. (*Creasoti* f3ss., *Adipis* 3j. Rub and mix.)

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* As a counter-irritant, and as an application in *Porrigo scutulata*.

**UNGUENTUM ELEMI.** Ointment of Elemi. (*Elemi* ℞j., *Terebinthinæ vulgaris* 3x., *Sevi* ℞ij., *Olivæ Olei* f3ij. Melt the elemi with the suet; remove it from the fire, and mix in the turpentine and the oil; then strain the mixture through a linen cloth.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, digestive.

*Use.* To keep open issues and setons; and as a dressing to ulcers which do not admit of the application of the adhesive straps.

**UNGUENTUM GALLÆ COMPOSITUM.** Compound Ointment of Galls. (*Gallarum in pulverem subtilissimum tritarum* 3ij., *Adipis* 3ij., *Opii durii contriti* 3ss. Mix.)

*Use.* As an application in piles.

**UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI FORTIUS.** Strong Mercurial Ointment. (*Hydrarg.* ℞ij., *Adipis* 3xxij., *Sevi* 3j.) 3ij. contain 3j. of mercury. First rub the Mercury with the suet and a little of the Lard until globules can no longer be seen, then add that which is left of the Lard, and mix.

*Off. Prep.* *Cerat. Hyd. com.*, *Liniment. Hydr. comp.*

**UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI MITIUS.** Milder Mercurial Ointment. (*Ung. Hydrarg. Fort.* ℞j., *Adipis* ℞ij.) 3vj., contain 3j. of mercury.

*Comp.* These two ointments differ in the quality only of their constituents, which are protoxide of mercury, metallic mercury, and fat; and perhaps in old ointments, some sebate of mercury. Mr. Donovan has proved that, as the efficacy of these ointments depends on the oxide which they contain, the best mode of preparing them would be by using the oxide instead of metallic mercury. By his mode of preparation, each 3j. of ointment contains gr. 2l. of oxide.

*Oper.* Antisyphilitic, alterative, discutient.

*Use.* In venereal affections, when it is wished to get speedily into the system a large portion of mercury without affecting the bowels; and where there are local affections, as bubo. The weaker ointments are chiefly used as topical dressings to venereal ulcers.

*Dose.* 3j. of the strong ointment is introduced by friction upon the inside of the thigh, or the fore-arm, every night, till the system is affected; living upon a milk and gruel diet.

**UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI NITRATIS.** Ointment of Nitrate of Mercury. (*Hydrargyri* 3j., *Acidi Nitrici* 3xj., *Adipis* 3vj., *Olivæ Olei* f3iv. Dissolve the mercury in the acid; and to the liquor, while it is hot, add the fat and oil melted together.

*Oper.* Stimulant, detergent.

*Use.* As an application in herpes, and other cutaneous eruptions; largely diluted it is applied to ulceration of the tarsi.

**UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI NITRICO OXIDI.** Ointment of Nitric Oxide of Mercury. (*Hydrargyri Nitrico Oxidi* ℥j. *Ceræ Albæ* ℥ij., *Adipis* ℥vj. Add the oxide, reduced to a fine powder, to the melted fat and oil, and mix.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, escharotic.

*Use.* To indolent foul ulcers; to inflammations of the tunica conjunctiva, with a thickening of the inner membrane of the palpebræ; and to specks of the cornea.

**UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI IODIDI.** Ointment of Iodide of Mercury. It is made in the same manner as the ointment of Nitric-oxide of Mercury.)

**UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI BINIODIDI.** Ointment of Biniodide of Mercury the same as the preceding.

*Oper.* Stimulant.

*Use.* As dressings to scrofulous and flabby sores.

**UNGUENTUM HYDRARGYRI AMONIO CHLORIDI.** P. 1824. *Præcip. Album.* Ointment of Ammonio Chloride of Mercury. (*Hyd. Amm. Chlorid* ℥j., *Adep.* ℥iss. add the Ammonio chloride of Mercury to the lard melted over a slow fire and mix.

*Oper.* Stimulant, detergent.

*Use.* In obstinate cutaneous eruptions.

**UNGUENTUM IODINII COMPOSITUM.** Compound Ointment of Iodine. (*Iodinii* ℥ss. *Potassii Iodidi* ℥j., *Spir. Rect.* f℥j., *Adipis.* ℥ij. Rub the iodide and iodine with the spirit, then add the lard. Rub together into an ointment.)

*Use.* As an application to scrophulous tumors and bronchocèle.

**UNGUENTUM CANTHARIDIS.** Ointment of Spanish Flies. (*Cantharidis in pulv. tritæ* ℥j., *Aquæ dist.* f℥iv., *Cerati Res* ℥iv. Boil the flies in the water to one half and strain. To the strained liquor mix the cerate, and then evaporate to a proper thickness.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, epispastic.

*Use.* For keeping up a discharge from a blistered surface.

**UNGUENTUM PICIS LIQUIDÆ.** Tar Ointment. (*Picis Liquidæ, Sevi sing.* ℥bj. Melt and strain through linen.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, detergent.

*Use.* Against tinea capitis, and other cutaneous, scabby, and foul eruptions.

**UNGUENTUM PICIS NIGRÆ.** Ointment of Black Pitch. (*R. Picis nigræ. Ceræ, Resinæ, sing.* ℥ix., *Olei Olivæ* ℥xvj. Melt the whole, and express it through a cloth.)

*Oper.* Stimulant, detergent.



**Use.** In porigo favosa, and other foul eruptions.

**UNGUENTUM PLUMBI COMPOSITUM.** Compound Ointment of Lead. (*Cretæ Præp.* ℥viij., *Aceti Distillati* f℥vj., *Emplastrum Plumbi* ℔ij., *Olinæ Olei* ʒj. Melt the plaster with the oil with a gentle heat, then mix the chalk and the acid separately, and the effervescence being finished, add gradually, mixing constantly until the ointment is cold.)

**Use.** Useful in indolent sores.

**UNGUENTUM PLUMBI IODIDI.** Ointment of Iodide of Lead. (*Plumbi Iodidi* ℥j., *Adipis* ℥viij. Rub and mix.

**Oper.** Stimulant.

**Use.** In glandular swellings, and enlargement of the joints, rubbed on the parts.

**UNGUENTUM SAMBUCL.** Elder Ointment. (*Sambuci* ℔ij., *Adipis con.* ℔ij.) Boil the Elder Flowers in the Lard until they become crisp; then press through a linen cloth.

**Oper.** Emollient.

**Use.** As a covering to benign ulcers.

**UNGUENTUM SULPHURIS.** Sulphur Ointment. (*Sulphuris* ℥iij., *Adipis* ℔ss., *Bergamii Olei* ℥xx. Mix.)

**Oper.** Stimulant, antipsoric.

**Use.** In itch; the fourth part of the body should be well rubbed with the ointment every night, till the symptoms disappear. Sulphur should be taken internally at the same time. When the smell is objected to the following may be used: potassæ subcarb. ℥iv., aq. rosæ ℥j., hydrar. sulph. rubri ℥j. ol. lavend. f℥ss., sulph. ℥xj. adipis ℔jss., misce.

**UNGUENTUM SULPHURIS COMPOSITUM.** Compound Sulphur Ointment (*Sulphuris* ℔ss., *Veratri cont.* ℥ij. *Potassæ Nitratis* ℥j., *Saponis Molliis* ℔ss., *Adipis* ℔jss., *Bergamii Olei* ℥xxx. Mix.)

**Oper. and Use.** The same as the former. It is more stimulant.

**UNGUENTUM VERATRI.** Ointment of White Hellebore. (*Veratri contriti* ℥ij., *Adipis* ℥viij., *Limonis Olei* ℥xx.)

**Oper.** Stimulant.

**Use.** In scabies, and other cutaneous affections.

**UNGUENTUM ZINCI.** Ointment of Oxide of Zinc. *Zinci Oxidi* ℥j. *Adipis* ℥vj.)

**Oper.** Astringent, stimulant.

**Use.** In ophthalmia, acrid scabby eruptions, and excoriated nipples.

**UVÆ.** Raisins. (*Vitis Vinifera.* The Vine. *Pentand.* *Monogyn.* N. O. *Vites.* Temperate climates. b.)

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste subacidulous, sweet, mucilaginous.

**Oper.** Demulcent, nutritive.

**Use.** As the food of the phthisical and as an acidulous adjunct to the beverages of the sick.

**Off. Prep.** *Tinct. Cardamon com.*, *Decoct. Hordei com.*, *Tinct. Senn. com.*

**UVA URSI.** Leaves of Bear's Wortleberry. (*Arctostaphylos Uvæ Ursi*, Red-berried Trailing Wortleberry. *Decand. Monogyn.* N. O. *Ericaceæ*. North of Europe.  $\mathfrak{h}$ .)

**Prop.** Nearly inodorous; taste styptic, bitterish; colour of the powder brownish, yellowish-green; yields its virtues to alcohol.

**Comp.** Tannin, gallic acid, mucilage, resin, extractive, traces of lime.

**Oper.** Tonic, astringent.

**Use.** In chronic diarrhœa and dysentery; leucorrhœa and diabetes. It has been celebrated in calculous and nephritic complaints; but it appears to act in the same manner as other astringents, by merely allaying the pain and irritability of the bladder. In phthisis?

**Dose.** Of the powder gr. xv. to f3ss.

**Incomp.** Salts of iron, tartar emetic, nitrate of silver, salts of lead, infusion of yellow cinchona bark.

**Off. Prep.** *Decoctum Uvæ Ursi*, *Extract Uvæ Ursi*.

**VALERIANA.** Wild Valerian Root. (*Triand Monogyn.* N. O. *Valerianacæ*. Europe.  $\mathfrak{2}$ .)

**Comp.** An essential oil, extractive, resin, starch, mucus.

**Prop.** Odour strong, fœtid; taste bitterish, subacid, warm; consists of slender brownish fibres, matted together, and attached to one head; virtues extracted by water, alcohol, pure alkalies.

**Oper.** Antispasmodic, tonic, emmenagogue.

**Use.** Hysteria, epilepsy, hemicrania, chlorosis.

**Dose.** Of the powder  $\mathfrak{3}$ j. to  $\mathfrak{3}$ j. three or four times a day, increasing it as far as the stomach can bear it.

**Incomp.** Salts of iron.

**Off. Prep.** *Infusum Valerianæ*, *Tinctura Valerianæ*, *Tinctura Valerianæ Comp.*

**VERATRUM.** White Hellebore Root. (*Polygam Monœcia*, N. O. *Melanthracæ*. North of Europe.  $\mathfrak{h}$ .)

**Comp.** Veratria; fecula; wax.

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste bitterish, acrid, nauseous; the powder is of a greyish-brown colour.

**Oper.** Violently emetic: purgative, even when applied externally to an issue; errhine; externally stimulant.

**Use.** It is never given internally, unless in maniacal cases, in which it is not more useful than other strong purges; and even its use to promote a discharge from the nose in apoplexy and lethargy requires great caution. For its external use, see *Decoct.* and *Ointment*.

**Dose.** As an errhine, gr. iij. or gr. iv. snuffed at bed-time.

**Off. Prep.** *Decoctum Veratri*, *Unguentum Veratri*, *Vinum Veratri*, *Ung. Sulph. Com.*

**VERATRIA.** Veratria. (*Sabadillæ Cont.* lbs. ij. *Spt. Rect.* O. iij. *Acidi Sulph. diluti*, *Ammon. Liq.*, *Carbonis Animalis puri.*, *Magnesiæ aa*  $\mathfrak{4}$ . s.s. Boil the Sabadilla with a gallon of the Spirit for an hour in a retort, to which a receiver is fitted. Pour off the liquor

and again boil what remains with another gallon of Spirit and the Spirit recently distilled, and pour off the liquor, and let it be done a 3d time. Press the *Sabadilla* and let the Spirit distill from the mixed and strained liquors. Evaporate what remains to the proper consistence of an extract. Boil this three or more times in Water, to which a little diluted Sulphuric Acid is added, and with a gentle heat, evaporate the mixed liquors to the proper consistence of a syrup. To this, when cold, put in the *Magnesia* to saturation, frequently shaking them; then press and wash. Let this be done two or three times; then dry what remains, and digest with a gentle heat in Spirit two or three times, and strain as often. Afterwards let the Spirit distil. Boil the residue in water, to which a little Sulphuric Acid and Animal Charcoal are added, for a quarter of an hour, and strain. Lastly, the Charcoal being thoroughly washed, evaporate the mixed liquors cautiously until they have the consistence of a syrup, and add to them as much *Ammonia* as may be sufficient to throw down the *Veratria*. Wash and dry it.

*Prop.* A dirty brownish white inodorous powder; taste acrid and bitter, soluble in alcohol and acetum but very slightly so in water.

*Oper.* Externally a local irritant, causes violent sneezing when applied to the nose; and externally it excites warmth of the stomach and bowels, tingling in various parts of the body, nausea, vomiting and perspiration, in large doses poisonous, producing Tetanus, with inflammation of the stomach and bowels.

*Use.* Externally in Rheumatism, Paralysis, and Neuralgia;

*Dose.* gr. one-eighth to gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

**VINA.** Wines. Medicated Wines should be prepared in stopped glass vessels, and frequently shaken during maceration.

**VINUM ALOES.** Wine of Aloes. (*Aloes in pulv. tritæ*  $\mathfrak{z}$ ij. *Canelle cont.*  $\mathfrak{z}$ iv., *Vini Xerici* Oij., Macerate fourteen days, shake often, and strain.)

*Oper.* Purgative, stomachic, according to the dose.

*Use.* In cold phlegmatic habits, in paralysis, and gout, to clear the bowels; in dyspepsia, and chlorosis.

*Dose.*  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ j. to  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ij. to produce purging;  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ j. to  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ ij. as a stomachic.

**VINUM ANTIMONII POTASSIO-TARTRATIS.** P. 1824 ———  
*Tartarizata.* Wine of Potassio Tartrate of Antimony,  
*(Antimonii Potassio-tartratis*  $\mathfrak{z}$ ij., *Vini Xerici* Oj.

*Oper.* Emetic in large doses; diaphoretic.

*Use.* To produce vomiting in children, and as a diaphoretic in febrile and inflammatory attacks.

*Dose.*  $\mathfrak{z}$ j. gradually increased to  $\mathfrak{z}$ j., as an emetic;  $\mathfrak{M}\mathfrak{xv}$ -to  $\mathfrak{z}$ jss. every two or three hours as a diaphoretic.

**VINUM COLCHICI.** Wine of Colchicum. (*R Colchici Cormi exsiccati con*  $\mathfrak{z}$ viiij., *Vini Xerici* Oij, Macerate for 14 days, and strain.

*Comp.* *Veratria* and wine.

*Oper.* Diuretic; sedative; purgative.

*Use.* In gout, rheumatism, and all inflammatory affections.

*Dose.* From  $\mathfrak{M}\mathfrak{xx}$ . to  $\mathfrak{f}\mathfrak{z}$ j. in any mild fluid.



**VINUM IPECACUANHÆ.** Wine of Ipecacuanha. (*Ipecacuanhæ contusæ* ℥ijss., *Vini Xerici* Oij.)

*Oper.* Emetic, diaphoretic.

*Use.* A good emetic for infants, as it operates more mildly than the antimonial wine: in coughs, diarrhœa, and dysentery: and hæmorrhagies.

*Dose.* For the former intention, f℥j. to f℥ij. in divided doses: for the latter ℥x. to ℥xxx. in some proper vehicle, every two or three hours.

**VINUM OPII.** Wine of Opium. (*Extracti Opii* ℥ijss., *Cinnam. cont.*, *Caryophyll. cort. sing.* ℥ijss., *Vini* Oij.) Macerate for 14 days, frequently shaking and strain.

*Oper.* Narcotic, anodyne.

*Use.* In the same cases in which tincture of opium is used: but it occasions less disturbance of the brain and nervous system; and is therefore better suited for very young patients, nervous habits, and where the head is much affected.

*Dose.* ℥x. to f℥j.

**VINUM VERATRI.** Wine of Hellebore. (*Veratri con.* ℥viiij., *Vini Xerici* Oij.) Macerate for fourteen days, and strain.)

*Use.* In cutaneous affections; and in gout, combined with opium.

*Dose.* f℥ss. to f℥ij.

**ZINCUM.** Zinc. (A metal obtained from calamine and blende; its ores are found in England and other parts.)

*Prop.* Colour, bluish white; lustre of a fresh surface, considerable, but it is soon dulled by the facility of its oxidation; hard; texture striated; spec. grav. 7.190; melts at 700° of Fah.: burns with a bright flame in a higher temperature, and is volatilized in the form of a white flocculent oxide.

*Use.* In pharmacy.

**ZINCI OXYDUM.** Oxide of Zinc. *Zinci Sulphatis* ℔j., *Ammoniacæ Sesquicarbonatis* ℥vjss., *Aquæ distillatæ cong.* iij. Dissolve separately the sulphate and the sesquicarbonate in Oxiij. of distilled water, and strain; afterwards mix. Wash the precipitate frequently with water, and, lastly, calcine it with a strong heat for two hours.)

*Comp.* Zinc 80, oxygen 20 parts in 100 of oxide.—*Prout.* Or 1 eq. of zinc=32.3+1 of oxygen=8, equiv.=40.3.

*Prop.* Inodorous; of a snow-white colour; insoluble in alcohol or water; entirely soluble in acids.

*Oper.* Tonic, antispasmodic, externally detergent, exsiccative.

*Use.* In epilepsy, chorea, and other spasmodic affections; for its external use, see *Ung. Zinci*.

*Dose.* Gr. j. to gr. vj. twice a day.

*Off. Prep.* *Unguentum Zinci*.

**ZINCI SULPHAS.** Sulphate of Zinc. (*Zinci frustulorum* ℥v., *Acidæ Sulphurici diluti* Oij. Pour gradually the distilled Sulphuric Acid

upon the pieces of Zinc, and the effervescence being finished, strain the Liquor; then boil it down until a pellicle begins to form. Lastly, set it aside that crystals may be formed. A plate of zinc put into the solution purifies it from any iron, copper, or lead it may contain. *Zincum Vitriolatum*.

**Comp.** Oxide of zinc 20, acid 40, water of crystallization 40 parts in 100 of the sulphate: or 1 eq. of protoxide of zinc =  $40.3 + 1$  eq. of acid =  $40.1$  equiv. =  $80.4$ .

**Prop.** Inodorous; taste styptic; in white, semi-transparent, efflorescent crystals, which are right rhombic prisms; soluble in three parts of water at  $60^{\circ}$ ; in less than its own weight of boiling water; insoluble in alcohol.

**Oper.** Emetic, tonic, antispasmodic, externally astringent.

**Use.** As it operates very quickly, it is used, combined with infusion of ipecacuanha, to empty the stomach in the commencement of the cold stage of the intermittent paroxysm; and in other cases where immediate vomiting is required. As a tonic it is useful in phthisis, dyspepsia, and nervous affections. Externally in collyria, in ophthalmia, after the inflammatory action has subsided; in injections, in gonorrhœa; and as a lotion in external inflammations, and to stop inordinate discharges.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒss. to produce vomiting; as a tonic, gr. j. to gr. ij. twice or thrice a day.

**Incomp.** Alkalies, earths, hydro-sulphurets, astringent vegetable infusions, milk.

**Off. Prep.** *Liq. Aluminis Comp., Zinci Oxyd.*

**ZINGIBER.** Ginger Root. (*Zingiber Officinale*. *Roscoe, Trans. Linn. Soc.; Monand Monogyn.* N. O. *Scitamineæ*. East Indies. 4.)

**Prop.** Odour aromatic; taste warm, aromatic, acrid; in small, wrinkled, greyish-white pieces, giving a pale yellowish feculent powder when pulverized; yields its virtues to alcohol, and in a great degree to water.

**Oper.** Carminative, stimulant, sialagogue,

**Use.** In gout, flatulent colic, dyspepsia, and tympanitis; as an adjunct to griping purgatives; less heating than pepper.

**Dose.** Gr. x. to ʒj. : an overdose is apt to induce spasmodic stricture.

**Off. Prep.** *Syrupus Zingiberis, Tinct. Zingiberis, Confect. Opii. Confect. Scammonii, Pil. Gambogiæ com., Pil. Hydrarg. Iodidi.; Pulv. Cinnamon. com., Pulv. Jalapæ com., Pulv. Scammonii com., Tinct. Cinnamon. com., Tinct. Rhei, com.*

# APPENDIX.

## No. I. OF POISONS.

POISONS are substances of an animal, a vegetable, or a mineral nature, which produce effects deleterious to the animal economy when they are taken into the stomach in certain doses; and, in some instances, even when they are applied to the surface of the body. Many poisonous substances, however, are daily employed as medicines; and with the best results, when they are administered in proper doses, and with due precaution.

Writers who professedly treat of poisons have arranged the substances which they regard as such, according to their effects on the animal economy; but as the following memoranda are intended merely as references from which the practitioner may refresh his memory when his assistance is suddenly required in cases of poisoning, the author conceives the alphabetical arrangement will be the most useful, and has consequently adopted it. A similar reason has also induced him to place the English name as the title of each article.\*

ACONITUM; see *Monkshood*.

ACETATE OF LEAD; see under *Carbonate of Lead*.

AGARIC; see *Fungi*.

AMMONIA; (*Liquor Ammoniac*.) A corrosive mineral poison.

*Symptoms.* Excoriations of the mouth and fauces; sensation of burning in the throat, chest, and stomach; followed by vomiting and purging, the ejected matter being mixed with blood. When the dose is large, the immediate feeling is that of strangulation, attended with convulsions and high delirium. If the result be fatal, it very quickly follows the administration of the poison. The inhalation of the ammonia by applying the solution to the nostrils is equally hazardous, and causes the same symptoms as when it is taken into the stomach.

*Morbid Appearances.* Marks of strong inflammatory action in the oesophagus and cardiac portion of the stomach.

*Tests.* The aqueous solution of ammonia is readily recognized, especially when heated, by its pungent odour, and changing the vegetable blues and reds to green; by not changing the transparency of a solution of nitrate of silver; and by a blue colour being produced when a piece of copper is immersed in it; or on the addition of a dilute solution of any of the salts of copper.

*Treatment.* The immediate exhibition of vinegar, lemon juice, or solution of citric acid; combined with an emetic and afterwards

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\* Many poisonous substances are purposely not noticed, because they are not likely to be employed as such; and, consequently, do not demand general attention.



of milk, mucilages, and demulcent fluids; bleeding, if symptoms of intestinal inflammation supervene, nervous symptoms to be allayed by opiates.

- \* These instructions apply equally to cases of poisoning by *Sesquicarbonate of Ammonia* and by *Hartshorn*.

**AMMONIATED COPPER;** (*Cuprum Ammoniatum*.) A corrosive metallic poison.

*Symptoms and Morbid Appearances* nearly the same as those produced by the other salts of copper. (*See Verdigris*.)

*Test.* This poison is readily known by its beautiful blue colour, and ammoniacal odour. When mixed in fluids which partially decompose it, as, for instance, coffee, port wine, or malt liquors, it may be detected by adding to the suspected fluid a few drops of a spirituous solution of guaiac. If the vehicle be coffee, and a salt of copper be present, it will instantly produce a beautiful deep greenish-blue precipitate. If the vehicle be port wine, it gives a green colour to the wine, and the colour evolved by the tincture of guaiac will be nearly an indigo blue, with a slight shade of green; and if beer, that of verditer. It changes solution of arsenious acid to green.

*Treatment.* The use of the stomach-pump, and oily clysters. Albumen in solution (in coffee, if it can be obtained\*) should then be freely exhibited; and vomiting again excited by drinking large quantities of mucilaginous fluids, if the poison have been very recently taken; but if it have already passed into the bowels, give castor oil in coffee, combined with opiates and other narcotics; bleed both generally and locally; and employ warm baths and fomentations with mollient clysters.

**ANTIMONIUM TARTARIZATUM;** see *Potassio-Tartrate of Antimony*.

**ARGENTI NITRAS;** see *Nitrate of Silver*.

**ARSENIC—ARSENIOUS ACID.** A corrosive mineral poison.

*Symptoms.* Metallic, austere taste; constant spitting of saliva devoid of the mercurial factor; constriction of the pharynx and œsophagus; nausea and vomiting, sometimes of a brown mucous matter, which is occasionally mixed with blood; fainting, with excessive thirst; a sensation of great heat at the throat and the præcordia; heat and severe pain in the stomach, which is generally so irritable as to reject the mildest fluids; severe gripings, purging, and tenesmus, the stools being deep green or black, and horribly offensive; the urine scanty, red, and often bloody; the pulse small, frequent, and often intermitting, accompanied with palpitation of the heart and syncope, difficult respiration and cold sweats; swelling and itching of the whole body, which occasionally becomes covered with livid blotches; great prostration of strength, and paralysis of the feet and hands; delirium; convulsions; urine high coloured, often bloody; strenuous priapism; and death.

*Morbid Appearances.* The mouth and œsophagus are seldom inflamed; but the stomach most commonly, although not always,

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\* Coffee instantly decomposes the salts of copper,

presents appearances of intense inflammation amounting to erosion or abrasion of the villous coat; and it is on the surface of such erosions that grains of the acid are generally found, when the poison has been swallowed in a solid state. The inflammation is evident also in the duodenum, jejunum, and ileum; but it almost disappears in the colon, although the mucous membrane of the rectum is often found not only highly inflamed, but ulcerated. The lungs are sometimes black and turgid with blood; the mitral and tricuspid valves of the heart are covered with red patches, and these extend to the fleshy columns; but the chief morbid appearances are to be looked for in the stomach and intestines. The contents of the former of these, and of portions of the latter, ought in every case to be carefully preserved, and washed in tepid *distilled* water. Cases have proved fatal in which no morbid changes have been detected.

*Tests.* If any solid particles be found in the stomach, mix one part of them with three parts of a mixture, consisting of one part of finely powdered charcoal, and two parts of very dry carbonate of potassa; put this into a small glass tube, the upper inner surface or empty part of which is kept clean, whilst the powder is introduced, by being previously lined with paper. Having withdrawn the paper, stop the open end loosely with a little tow, or piece of soft paper: then place the closed end among red-hot coals for a few minutes, or in the flame of a spirit lamp until it becomes incandescent; when, if arsenious acid be present, a brilliant metallic crust will be found lining the upper part of the tube; which, when placed on hot coals, will exhale dense fumes and a strong smell of garlic.

If no solid particles be found, boil the contents of the stomach with liquor potassæ, and strain through a piece of linen rag; divide the fluid into different portions, test each portion separately by the following re-agents:—

1. Put one portion into Mr. Marsh's apparatus for the formation of arseniuretted hydrogen gas, with some diluted sulphuric acid and pure zinc, and inflame the gas evolved at the jet. If arsenious acid be present, a piece of glass held over the flame will display a spot of metallic arsenic, surrounded by a circle of black oxide of arsenic, surrounded by a second circle of arsenious acid.

The grains picked out of the stomach may be tested in the same manner. This test is decisive, but it requires to be used in the following manner, if the contents of the stomach contain much fatty matter. Fill a bell glass, open at the top, and furnished with a stop cock and glass jet, with hydrogen gas, place it in a jar containing the contents of the stomach strained, and the washing of the stomach, and some diluted sulphuric acid and pure zinc. Open the stop cock until the fluid rises considerably into the bell glass; then close the stop cock; but after the gas has been extricated and the fluid has descended, open it again, inflame the gas at the jet and use it in the same manner as Mr. Marsh's instrument.

2. Drop into the second portion a solution of nitrate of silver to excess, in order to precipitate all the hydrochlorates it may contain; then, after the fluid has become clear, touch the surface with a glass rod dipped in liquid ammonia. • If arsenious acid be

present, a yellow arsenite of silver will fall from the point of the rod.

3. Drop into a third portion, some ammoniated sulphate of copper; if arsenious acid be present, Scheele's green will be formed. The accordance of these tests affords sufficient evidence. The tubes, and the glass, coated with the metallic arsenic, should be taken into court; as well as comparative tubes and glasses coated by treating the simple acid and its solution.

**Treatment.** Evacuate the stomach by the stomach-pump, using lime water instead of distilled water; if no stomach pump be at hand, as there are no antidotes, give emetics *Zinci Sulphat*: ℞j. and administer large draughts of tepid mucilaginous fluids, or sugar and water, or chalk and water, or lime water; avoid the use of alkalies; but administer charcoal and hydrated oxide of iron, procured at the time by precipitating protosulphate of iron with solution of potassa. Afterwards combat the inflammatory symptoms by bleeding freely, both generally and locally; by tepid baths, emollient enemas, and narcotics. If the immediate fatal symptoms be averted, let the patient for a long time subsist wholly on farinaceous food, milk, and demulcents.

- \* All arsenical poisons operate nearly in the same manner as the arsenious acid; and consequently similar means are required for detecting their presence and counteracting their effects.

**ATROPA BELLADONNA**; see *Deadly Nightshade*.

**BELLADONNA**; see *Deadly Nightshade*.

**BICYANIDE OF MERCURY**; (*Hydrargyri Bicyanidum*.) An acrid mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** They closely resemble those of poisoning by corrosive sublimate, accompanied with severe vomiting, mercurial ulceration of the mouth, salivation, powerful action of the heart, diarrhoea, suppression of urine, demierection, and an ecchymosed appearance of the penis and scrotum, convulsions, and death.

**Tests.** When any of the poison remains it is recognized by its quadrangular prismatic crystals, with oblique summits, and its styptic taste. When heated in a small tube closed at one end, and drawn out to a point at the other, it is decomposed, mercury sublimes, and cyanogen gas is given off, and burns with a violet flame. Its solution is decomposed by a stream of sulphuretted hydrogen gas, and sulphuret of mercury and hydrocyanic acid are formed.

**Treatment.** The same as in cases of poisoning by bichloride of mercury.

**BLISTERING FLIES**, (*Cantharis Vesicatoria*.) An acrid animal poison.

**Symptoms.** Nausea; vomiting and purging, the matter ejected in either case being frequently bloody and purulent; acute epigastralgia; writhing colic; great heat and irritation of the bladder and urinary organs, accompanied with the most painful priapism; the pulse is quick and hard; and although thirst is often great, yet there is occasionally a horror of liquids. If these symptoms be not soon relieved, they are followed by convulsions, tetanus, delirium, syncope, and death. Throughout the attack, the breath of the patient has a very peculiar faint, sickly, odour.



**Morbid Appearances.** Inflammation and erosion of the stomach : the green shining particles of the powdered flies being sometimes seen adhering to the inner coat of the viscus, or mixed with its contents. The intestines also and the kidneys exhibit marks of inflammation ; and these are still more evident in the bladder, particularly when the fatal result does not immediately supervene.

**Tests.** The poisonous properties of the blistering fly depend on a peculiar principle which has been named *cantharidin* ; but the poison can be recognized only by the appearance of the green shining particles, which are visible in the finest powder, and by the symptoms.

**Treatment.** Copious dilution with milk and demulcent fluids, bleeding, the warm bath, opiate frictions, and clysters of mutton broth and oil, and opium.

**BROMIDE OF POTASSIUM.** (*Potassium Bromidi.*) An acrid mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** Nausea, vomiting, quickened respiration and pulse, great prostration of strength, death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Congested state of the mucous membrane ; spots of ulceration, softenings.

**Tests.** If any of the poison remain, dissolve and drop into the solution sulphuric acid, the colour and odour of free bromine are perceived. Take up the bromine with æther, and drop into the æthereal solution a solution of nitrate of silver ; a whitish-yellow bromide of silver, insoluble in nitric acid and in ammonia, will fall.

**Treatment.** Empty the stomach with the stomach-pump and tepid water or emetics. Treat the nervous symptoms by stimulants.

**BRYONY ROOT.** (*Bryonia Dioicæ Radix.*) An acrid vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Violent vomitings, with severe colic pains and purging, great thirst ; difficulty of breathing ; and sometimes convulsions.

**Morbid Appearances.** Evidences of inflammation of the mucous membrane of the stomach and rectum, and congestion of blood in the lungs.

**Test.** This poison can only be recognized when the root itself or a portion of it, can be obtained. It is large, fleshy, fusiform, marked externally with circles of a yellowish-white colour, and has a sweetish, yet acrid and bitter, disagreeable taste.

**Treatment.** Excite vomiting by copious draughts of tepid demulcent fluids, and by irritation of the fauces ; then administer milk and mucilaginous diluents, with opiates and emollient enemas. The lancet may be sometimes requisite.

**CAMPHOR.** (*Camphora.*) A narcotic vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Violent excitement of the brain and nervous system ; vomiting ; vertigo, preceded by pallid countenance ; great anxiety ; small pulse ; difficult respiration, syncope, cold sweats, and convulsions. In some instances it has occasioned death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Too few opportunities have occurred for ascertaining these with any degree of accuracy.

**Test.** Camphor is always readily discovered by its peculiar odour.

**Treatment.** Wine and opium, exhibited at short intervals until the symptoms abate, if irritating symptoms predominate ; but if narcotic symptoms prevail, then adopt the same measures as for opium.

**CARBONATE OF BARYTA**, (*Carbonas Barytæ*;) see under *Hydrochlorate of Baryta*.

**CARBONATE OF LEAD**, (*Plumbi Carbonas*.) An astringent metallic poison. (All the salts of lead are resolveable into the carbonate, which is the only real poison of lead.)

**Symptoms.** Obstinate costiveness; violent colic, with retraction of the abdomen; vomiting; the pulse small and hard; laborious breathing and tremors, terminating in paralysis of the extremities, and occasionally in death.

**Morbid Appearances.** An ex-sanguine appearance of the intestines; but occasionally there is inflammation of the mucous membrane of the intestines, sometimes attended with blotches of extravasated blood. When the death of the patient is not sudden, the mesenteric and lymphatic glands are inflamed and obstructed; and all the viscera bear more or less evidence of having suffered from increased vascular action.

**Test.** When the poison has been swallowed in the solid form, and any of it can be obtained, it may be known in some degree by its colour and weight, or by rubbing it in a mortar with a little spirituous solution of guaiac, and a few drops of liquid ammonia, which produce a beautiful grass green, passing to glaucous when lead is present; it is tinged brown when it is exposed to sulphuretted hydrogen gas; but is still more certainly detected by reducing it to a metallic state upon charcoal, by means of the blowpipe. When it has been taken in syrup, or in wine, or in Hollands, to improve which it is often ignorantly and improperly used, first render the coloured fluids colourless by chlorine, and then add to different portions the following re-agents:—sulphat of potassa, which will produce a white sulphuretted hydrogen, which will throw down a black; and chromate of potassa, which will exhibit a canary yellow precipitate, if any salt of lead be present; or dissolve in acetic acid, and add to the solution, a solution of hydriodate of potassa; if the poison be carbonate of lead, a yellow iodide of lead will be precipitated.

**Treatment.** Bleed, if the pulse be hard; give an emetic of zinc and mucilaginous drinks, then freely exhibit cathartics, particularly castor oil, and sulphate of magnesia combined with opium or extract of hyoscyamus; use the warm bath, and throw up repeatedly injections of mutton broth and demulcents. The patient should dilute very freely with mucilaginous liquids. When convalescent, he should live almost entirely on a milk diet.

\*. The action of acetate of lead, and of red oxide of lead or litharge on the animal economy, is nearly the same as that of the carbonate of lead, consequently, the above observations apply to all the salts of lead, which, as I have already said, are converted into the carbonate.

**CARBONIC ACID GAS.** This gas is often extricated very largely in various processes of art, and in burning charcoal in close rooms, so as to produce suspended animation and death. As it is also very heavy, it remains in fermenting vats and cellars long after the liquor has been drawn off, so as to destroy individuals who incautiously enter them.



**Symptoms.** Great drowsiness, difficulty of respiration, and suffocation. The features appear swelled and the face bluish, as in cases of strangulation.

**Test.** Invert immediately, before the air of the place has been disturbed, a bottle filled with lime water in the atmosphere which has occasioned the suspended animation or the death of the person immersed in it, until one-half of the fluid runs out; and at the same time introduce a lighted taper into the same atmosphere. If the taper be extinguished, and lime water, on being shaken in the bottle, become milky, the deleterious gas is carbonic acid gas.

**Treatment.** Remove the body into the open air; apply friction, particularly over the thorax and on the soles of the feet; then endeavour to stimulate the organs of respiration to a renewed action, by inflating the lungs with common air, or, if it can be procured, oxygen gas, by means of the double bellows, and a flexible tube introduced into the trachea through the nostrils. Stimulate, cautiously, the nostrils with ammonia, and dash cold water on the head and chest.

**CHLORINE GAS.** An acrid poison.

**Symptoms.** Severe constriction of the glottis, cough, sensation of suffocation alternating with asphyxia; afterwards, if death do not ensue, inflammation of the larynx, and pneumonic inflammation.

**Treatment.** Inhalation of the vapour of hot water containing carbonate of ammonia. Bleeding, the antiphlogistic treatment, especially by mercurials.

**COCCULUS INDICUS, (*Menispermis Cocculi fructus*).** An acronarcotic vegetable poison, deriving its poisonous powers from *picROTOXIA*.

**Symptoms.** These closely resemble those of intoxication from ardent spirits.

**Morbid Appearances.** There is no instance of the examination of a human body destroyed by this poison on record.

**Test.** That this poison has been the cause of death, or of powerfully deleterious effects on the human body, cannot be ascertained by any test. The fruit is externally blackish, about the size of a pea, whitish within, and has a very bitter taste, not easily removed from the palate.

**Treatment.** Encourage vomiting, and purge freely; bleed if the pulse indicate it, or if symptoms resembling apoplexy supervene.

**COLCHICUM:** see *Meadow Saffron*.

**COLOQUINTIDA, (*Fructus Cucumeris Colocynthis*).** An acrid vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Violent pains in the epigastrium, with vomiting and purging, the stools being mixed with blood. The sight soon becomes obscured, and this state is succeeded by vertigo and delirium.

**Morbid Appearances.** When death has occurred from this poison, the stomach and bowels have been found inflamed, particularly the rectum.

**Test.** A strong infusion of coloquintida gelatinizes as it cools, resembling in appearance mucilage of quince seed; but it has a very bitter, nauseous taste. Solution of potassa renders it greenish,



and throws down a precipitate; ammonia dissolves the mucilage. But no test can be relied on: the only certainty that this poison has been taken is the seeing the substance itself.

*Treatment.* Emetics to evacuate the whole of the deleterious substance; local blood-letting on the abdomen; afterwards opiates, and copious dilution with milk and oily demulcents.

#### CONGER.

*Symptoms.* This fish, although it is frequently eaten with impunity, yet has, in some instances, produced all the symptoms of cholera morbus, succeeded by paralysis of the lower extremities.

*Treatment.* Evacuate the contents of the stomach and bowels, after having allayed their irritability by opium. Dilute freely with saccharine and acidulous liquids; and bleed, if symptoms of inflammation of the lower bowels supervene.

**CORROSIVE SUBLIMATE, (*Hydrargyri Bichloridum.*)** A corrosive metallic poison.

*Symptoms.* An acrid, styptic, metallic taste, with the sensation of fulness and burning in the throat; copious salivation, but not always; great anxiety; tearing pains of the stomach and intestines; nausea; frequent vomiting of a fluid occasionally mixed with blood; diarrhœa; tenesmus; the pulse small, quick, and hard; frequent faintings; universal debility; difficult respiration; cold sweats; cramps of all the members; convulsions; and death.

*Morbid appearances.* General inflammation of the first passages; swelling and a livid colour of the palate and fauces; epiglottis, trachea, and bronchial tubes injected; œsophagus of a white colour. In some cases red and black spots have been found in the cavities of the heart; constriction of the intestinal canal with marks of gangrene, sometimes with perforation of the viscus; and in general the mucuous membrane of the stomach is detached.

- Test.* 1. If the poison be found in the solid state, its nature may be suspected by its sensible qualities; but to ascertain the truth, mix the suspected substance with an equal weight of very dry carbonate of potassa; then put the mixture into a small glass tube, and heat it gradually to redness; if it be corrosive sublimate, mercury will be obtained in metallic globules.
2. If the suspected poison be a fluid and a colourless liquid, place in it a small piece of clean polished copper, and allow it to remain for a short time, when it will be covered with a white coating that will acquire a metallic lustre when rubbed, if corrosive sublimate be the poison; or pour into it lime-water, which will produce an orange-yellow precipitate, if the salt be present.
3. Drop a little of the solution on the back of a gold watch, and touch it with a knife or a key; an amalgam will be instantly formed on the gold if the poison be corrosive sublimate.
4. If the solvent be wine, coffee, or any coloured liquid, agitate it slowly for ten minutes in a phial, with two or three drachms of sulphuric æther; then, after the fluids have separated by rest, pour off the æther, and evaporate it in a small porcelain capsule. If corrosive sublimate be present, it will remain in a solid form in the capsule: and that it is that salt may be proved by dissolving the residue in water, and precipitating, as already described, with lime water.

5. If we have only the contents of the stomach to act upon, coil a copper wire round a sovereign or a piece of gold, and, having acidulated with nitric acid, drop this pile in the fluid. If corrosive sublimate be the poison, a precipitate of metallic mercury will be formed on the gold.
6. To the suspected solution, add a solution of protochloride of tin; then, after a short time, add more, and leave the precipitate to subside. Pour off the fluid, and wash repeatedly the precipitate; a globule of mercury will remain.

*Treatment.* Give large quantities of white of egg diluted in water, in repeated doses. The albumen decomposes the corrosive sublimate and reduces it to the state of calomel, and the protoxide, which, acting on the bowels, carries itself off by purging which is to be encouraged by enemas and drinking freely of barley, water and linseed tea. Bleeding is requisite if the pulse be quick and hard. The warm bath may also be employed; and during convalescence the patient should subsist altogether on broths, milk, and demulcent fluids.

**CREASOTE.** An acrid poison.

*Symptoms.* It operates as a powerful topical excitant, causing inflammation of the tissue with which it comes in contact, and destroys life by the nervous sympathy it induces.

*Tests.* Distinguished by its odour, that of smoked meat and tar. It instantly coagulates albumen.

*Treatment.* Administer freely white eggs, then give direct emetics; and treat the inflammatory symptoms as in a case of gastritis.

**CYCLAMEN;** see *Sow Bread*.

**DEADLY NIGHTSHADE or DWALE, (*Atropa Belladonna*.)** An acro-narcotic vegetable poison.

*Symptoms.* A sense of great dryness and constriction of the pharynx and œsophagus; sickness, vertigo, dilated pupils and dimness of sight; laughter, delirium, redness and tumefaction of the face; convulsions. The stomach and bowels become sometimes so paralyzed, that vomiting can scarcely be produced by the most powerful emetics; and death follows.

*Morbid Appearances.* The body swells greatly after death, whilst blood flows from the nose, mouth, and ears, and rapid putrefaction ensues. The stomach and intestines display marks of high inflammatory action, and the vessels of the brain are generally found turgid with blood.

*Test.* There is no chemical test for ascertaining the presence of this poison in food; but the botanical characters both of the leaves and the fruit should be familiar to every practitioner. The berries, which are most likely to be eaten by children, are large, roundish, with a longitudinal furrow on each side, of a very deep purple colour, smooth, shining, and seated within a permanent green colour cup or calyx. Their taste is sweet and agreeable.

*Treatment.* The stomach pump to be used if at hand, give emetics of sulphate of zinc or of copper; then evacuate the bowels by active purgatives and clysters; and follow these by large doses of vinegar and water, or other vegetable acids. The previous use of vinegā



has been recommended, and it is said the emetics act with more certainty after its use; after the vomiting strong coffee proves very efficacious, keep the person in constant motion: open the jugular vein and use artificial respiration when necessary. Give brandy, wine, and ammonia if the pulse is very small.

**DIGITALIS**; see *Foxglove*.

**ELATERIUM**, (*Momordicæ Elaterii, fructus et fecula*.) An acro-narcotic poison.

**Symptoms.** Violent sickness, vomiting, and hypercatharsis; the stools being of the most watery consistence; and followed by sudden and excessive debility, cold clammy sweats, and death.

**Morbid Appearances.** When the dose has been very large, the whole mucous membrane of the stomach and intestines appears in some degree inflamed; but when the fruit has been eaten, or the dose of the elaterium which has been taken is small, the rectum only presents marks of inflammatory action.

**Test.** No tests are known for detecting this poison: the elaterium can be recognized by its physical qualities the fruit is a hairy small pip.

**Treatment.** Little is to be done except supporting the habit by cordials and opium, and the exhibition of enemata of starch, opium, and camphor.

**EUPHORBIIUM**; see *Spurge*.

**FOXGLOVE**, (*Digitalis Purpuræ folia*.) An acro-narcotic vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Intermitting pulse, vertigo, indistinct vision, nausea, hiccough, cold sweats, delirium, syncope, convulsions, and death.

**Morbid Appearances.** The stomach and intestinal canal display scarcely any morbid alteration; but the lungs are crepitant, and the blood contained in the ventricles is generally in a fluid state.

**Test.** Unless the plant or the entire leaves be found in the recent or dried state, it is impossible to determine that this poison has been employed, except from the symptoms.

**Treatment.** Exhibit cordials, as, for example, brandy, aromatic confection, and opium; and apply a blister to the pit of the stomach.

**FOOL'S PARSLEY**, (*Æthusa Cynapium*.) An acro-narcotic vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Heat of throat, thirst, vomiting, and occasionally diarrhoea; difficult respiration; a small, frequent pulse; cephalalgia, vertigo and delirium.

**Morbid Appearances.** Marks of inflammation in the œsophagus and stomach, the spleen livid, and the ventricles of the heart filled with black fluid blood.

**Test.** This plant, distinguished from parsley by the involucrels, which consist of three long linear leaflets, pendent on one side of each umbellule; by its nauseous odour, when the leaves are rubbed between the fingers, and the very dark green colour of the upper disc of its leaves.

**Treatment.** Give emetics and demulcent fluids in sufficient quantity to excite vomiting; bleeding and aperients.



**FUNGUSES**, comprehending **AGARICS** and **POISONOUS MUSH-ROOMS**, (*Fungi*.) Acro-narcotic vegetable poisons.

The poisonous fungi belong chiefly to the genus **AMANITA**; namely, *A. bulbosa alba*, *A. citrina*, *A. viridis*; to **AGARICUS**—*Ag. acris*, *Ag. piperatus*, *Ag. pyrogalus*, *Ag. stypticus*, *Ag. urens*, and *Ag. annularius*: the eatable are *Boletus edulis*, *Amanita aurentiaca* *Morchella esculenta*, *Merulius cantharillus*, *Clavaria ecrallloides*, *Agaricus esculentus*, and *A. tortilis*.

**Symptoms.** Different funguses produce different effects on the animal system. The more general symptoms, which generally occur from six to twenty hours after eating them, are pains of the stomach, nausea, vomiting, and purging; colic; cramp of the lower extremities; convulsions, both general and partial; an unquenchable thirst, vertigo, delirium, coma, and death. The intellect remains entire to the last moment of life.

**Morbid Appearances.** Numerous black blotches on the skin over the whole surface of the body; the abdomen much blown up; the pupils contracted; the stomach and intestines inflamed, gangrenous, and strongly contracted in many places; the lungs inflamed, and gorged with black blood; the liver and spleen in the same state; the membranes of the brain, also, present marks of inflammation: and sphacelated spots are seen on almost every viscus. The blood is, almost always, found coagulated; and, in every instance, there is a remarkable flexibility of the members.

**Test.** There are no means of ascertaining that a person has been poisoned by these vegetables, unless some of the plants be found; in which case their deleterious properties are known by their botanical characters. As a general rule, those which have an acrid juice, a leathery dull coloured flesh, which grow in obscure, shady places, or on the trunks of decayed trees, or on rocks, which have a glary or very shining surface, or an offensive odour, or become brown when cut, are to be rejected.

They may be tested by cutting them and applying a piece of silver to the cut surface; if it be blackened the mushroom is bad. Cooking fungi with vinegar or lemon juice aids greatly in destroying their poisonous properties.

**Treatment.** First evacuate the poisonous substances by emetics and purgatives, or by combination of these; for example, three or four grains of tartar emetic, or twenty-four of ipecacuanha powder, in solution with two ounces of sulphate of soda. Castor oil is a valuable purgative in these cases. The lancet is sometimes necessary. After the stomach and bowels have been emptied, give small but repeated doses of æther in mucilage, and, dilute with vinegar or other acidulated liquids. The debility subsequent to the effects of these poisons, when the fatal issue is averted, must be treated with cinchona and other tonics.

**GAMBOGE**, (*Gambogia*.) An acrid vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Violent vomitings, colic, and hypercatharsis, followed by great prostration of strength, and death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Slight inflammation of the mucous membrane of the stomach and intestines, and marks of strong vascular action in the rectum.

**Test.** This poison is easily detected by its beautiful yellow colour, and the tinge it communicates to the whole mucous membrane of the intestines.

**Treatment.** Carbonate of potassa in demulcent and mucilaginous liquids and milk should be freely administered; and, after the poison is supposed to be wholly evacuated, small doses of opium at short intervals.

**HELLEBORE ROOT—BLACK, (*Helebori Nigri Radix.*)** An acrid vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Severe pain of the stomach and intestines, violent vomiting, vertigo, excessive debility, salivation, convulsions, sometimes opisthotonos, sometimes emprosthotonos, and death. It produces the same effects when it is applied to a wound.

**Morbid Appearances.** Evident signs of inflammation in the alimentary canal, but more particularly in the larger intestines. The limbs remain remarkably flexible after death.

**Test.** None.

**Treatment.** The poison is generally thrown out of the stomach by the vomiting it occasions. This should be assisted, however, by copious dilution with mild mucilaginous fluids; and be followed by bleeding and other antiphlogistic measures.

**HELLEBORE ROOT—WHITE, (*Veratri Albi Radix.*)** An acrid vegetable poison, deriving its poisonous properties from a salt of veratria.

**Symptoms.** Vomiting and hypercatharsis, with bloody stools; great anxiety, tremors, vertigo, syncope, sinking of the pulse, cold sweats, convulsions, and death. Nearly the same symptoms are produced by the application of the root to an ulcerated surface.

**Morbid Appearances.** Slight inflammation of the stomach and bowels. Considerable inflammation of the rectum, which often presents sphacelated spots. The lungs are generally gorged with blood.

**Test.** None.

**Treatment.** Evacuate the stomach by copious draughts of oily and mucilaginous liquids, and exhibit emollient enemas to sheath and soothe the rectum. Then administer acidulous fluids, coffee, and camphor, and bleed, in conjunction with other antiphlogistic measures. Allay the action of the poison on the rectum by emollient clysters. Hahnemann asserts that coffee is the antidote of this poison.

\* \* The same instructions will serve in cases of poisoning by *Fætid Hellebore, Bryony, Sabadilla, Ranunculus, Arum, &c.*

**HEMLOCK. (*Conii Maculati folia et radix.*)** A narcotic vegetable poison, deriving its deleterious properties from an alkaline principle called Conia.

**Symptoms.** Sickness, difficulty of respiration, great anxiety, vertigo; delirium, which often rises to maniacal phrensy; dilatation of the pupils, stupor, trismus, convulsions, and death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Scarcely any marks of inflammation are perceptible in the stomach or the intestines, except in the rectum, in which red blotches are observed. The vessels of the brain are gorged with very fluid blood; evidences of strong inflammation having existed in that organ also present themselves.



**Test.** None. The plant has a biennial root, with circular marks; the stem is annual, herbaceous, striated, and maculated with dark purple blotches; the leaves are large, alternate, supradecomposed, and when rubbed evolve an offensive odour of the urine of the cat.

**Treatment.** Evacuate the stomach by a scruple of sulphate of zinc, dissolved in an ounce of water, or by some other powerful emetic; the affusion of cold water on the head: and having reduced the cerebral excitement by bleeding and purging, administer freely vinegar and water, or any other acidulous liquid.

**HENBANE.** (*Hyoscyami folia et semina.*) A narcotic vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Sickness, stupor, dimness of sight, and delirium followed by coma, and great dilatation of the pupils; the pulse is at first hard, but becomes gradually weaker and tremulous; petechiæ often make their appearance as the forerunners of death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Inflammation of the stomach, the intestines, and the membranes of the brain.

**Test.** None. The plant is recognized by its pale green, angular, viscid, or clammy leaves; its disagreeable odour, its flowers and seed vessels being on one side of the flowering stem with leaves on the other; its capsular fruit, furnished with a persistent calyx, bilocular, and opening with a lid.

**Treatment.** If the poison have been recently taken, evacuate the stomach by a powerful emetic, and afterwards administer vinegar and acidulous drinks; but if the poison have already entered the system, pour cold water over the head, and bleed and purge freely to reduce the inflammatory symptoms, exhibiting at the same time acidulous liquids.

**IODINE.** An acrid mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** In doses of gr. 10 to 30, iodine causes heat and constriction of the fauces, nausea, offensive eructations, epigastralgia, vain efforts at vomiting, colic, quickening of the pulse, diarrhœa, tremblings, great thirst, satyriasis, slight convulsions, death. When poisoning occurs from small doses long continued, emaciation and debility are extreme.

**Morbid Appearances.** Distention and inflammation of the stomach and intestines; sphacelation in some parts; pale, voluminous liver.

**Test.** Iodine in the solid form is in blueish grey scales, having the odour of chlorine; heated in a tube it affords violet vapour: added to cold solution of starch it gives it a deep blue colour. If the poison be contained in animal fluids, pass through them a stream of sulphuretted hydrogen, then boil, saturate with potassa, and having added starch, pour on the solution some chlorine gas, the blue colour will indicate the poison. The same process will detect it in the stomach.

**Treatment.** Administer mucilage of starch freely, then empty the stomach by direct emetics; and treat the inflammatory symptoms as a case of simple gastritis.

**IODIDE OF POTASSIUM.** *Potassium Iodidum.*

**Symptoms.** Uneasiness of stomach, followed by nausea and a burning pain in that organ; vomitings, cephalalgia, vertigo, tremors.

**Morbid Appearances.** The stomach contracted; ecchymosed spots on its lining membrane; slight ulcerations; some traces of inflammation in the intestinal tube.



**Test.** The crystals of the salts are cubes, of an acrid, sharp taste, slightly deliquescent; its solution, mixed with starch and treated, with chlorine or nitrous acid, forms the blue Iodide of Amidine; the bichloride of mercury forms a beautiful scarlet precipitate of the biniodide of mercury. Test the urine, after mixing it with starch, with gaseous chlorine. This gas will detect 1 part in 1,500,000 of urine, which should be cold before it is tested.

**Treatment.** The same as in cases of poisoning by iodine.

**IODIDE OF MERCURY.** (*Hydrargyri Protiodidum et Biniodidum.*)

**Symptoms.** Nearly the same as those produced by bichloride of mercury.

**Tests.** When the protiodide is heated in a glass tube, it evolves vapour of iodine; if previously mixed with potassa, the heating sublimes metallic mercury, and leaves iodide of potassium. The biniodide sublimes yellow when heated, and changes to red as it cools: in other respects it may be tested in the same manner as the protiodide.

**Treatment.** The same as in cases of poison by corrosive sublimate.

**LAUDANUM.** see *Opium*.

**LAUREL, WATER;** (*Aqua Distillata Pruni Lauro-cerasi.*) A narcotic vegetable poison, deriving its poisonous powers from hydrocyanic acid.

**Symptoms.** Sudden death, without vomiting, convulsions, or any of the other symptoms which usually precede it in cases of poisoning. Insensibility, when the death is not very sudden. In some instances violent pain of the stomach has been complained of immediately before the fatal event.

**Morbid Appearances.** Very slight appearances of redness in the stomach; but all the other organs are in a natural state.

**Test.** Strong smell of bitter almonds. The hydrocyanic acid which it contains is readily rendered obvious, and added to its odour, enables the poison to be satisfactorily detected.—See *Prussic Acid*.

**Treatment.** The fatal effect of this poison is so quickly produced that little opportunity is afforded for the trial of antidotes. Brandy, ammonia, and other cordials may prove useful. Chlorine has been proposed.

**LIME, (Calx.)** A corrosive mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** Great heat of the throat, nausea, vomiting, epigastralgia, and insupportable colic, with all the symptoms which characterize inflammation of the stomach and intestines.

**Morbid Appearances.** Intense inflammation of all the membranes with which the poison has come in contact.

**Test.** If any of the poison be found, pour over it distilled water: then stop the vessel closely from the atmospherical air, and after some time filter the supernatant fluid. If this have a strong acrid styptic taste, if it change to green the vegetable blues, and be precipitated by oxalic acid, and if, on exposure to the air, a pellicle be formed which is soluble with effervescence in vinegar or any acid, we may pronounce the poison to be lime. If none of the poison be found, and nevertheless it is suspected to be lime, calcine the contents of the stomach and bowels, and treat the residue as above directed.

**Treatment.** Vinegar, lemon juice, or any vegetable acid, should be freely administered, and then demulcents; employing bleeding and every means that can reduce the inflammatory action excited in the abdominal viscera.

**MEADOW SAFFRON,** (*Colchici Autumnalis; semina et bulb.*) An acro-narcotic vegetable poison, deriving its powers from veratria.

**Symptoms.** Nausea and vomiting, violent griping and hypercatharsis, rapid sinking of the pulse, and cold sweats.

**Morbid Appearances.** Slight inflammation of the stomach and intestines; but the effect is chiefly produced by the action of the poison on the nervous system.

**Test.** None.

**Treatment.** Evacuate the stomach by bland demulcent fluids taken in large doses; then exhibit opium in small doses, with cordials.

**MONKSHOOD,** (*Aconiti, folia, flores, et semina.*) An acro-narcotic poison.

**Symptoms.** Numbness of the apex of the tongue, with a sensation of burning in the fauces, followed by tremors, and a feeling of coldness in those parts. Nausea and violent vomiting; hypercatharsis, vertigo, cold sweats, delirium, and convulsions, which terminate in death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Very slight appearances of inflammation in the stomach, livid blotches appear on the body; the mind suffers; indeed, its effects appear to depend altogether on its action on the nervous system.

**Test.** None.

**Treatment.** Evacuate the substance from the stomach, and then administer freely acidulous fluids and cordials.

**MORPHIA—ACETATE OF—HYDROCHLORATE OF,** (*Morphiæ Acetas et Hydrochloras.*)

**Symptoms.** Morphia in poisonous doses causes nearly the same symptoms as opium; the acetate, and hydrochlorate, in doses of three to six grains, cause headache, vertigo, dimness of sight, contraction of the pupils, vomiting, colic, diarrhœa succeeded by obstinate costiveness, retention of urine, great itching of the skin, sometimes accompanied with a papular eruption and profuse sweats, convulsions, sometimes of a tetanic, sometimes of an epileptic character, death.

**Morbid Appearances.** An injected state of the mucous membrane, and of the membranes of the brain, especially in the anterior part of the head.

**Tests.** Nitric acid tinges morphia and its salts red; to iodate of potassa, dissolved in water, add a drop of sulphuric acid and then some starch, and when the mixture is cold, sprinkle the suspected morphia or its salt in it; if morphia be present, blue iodide of amidine will be formed.

**Treatment.** The same as in poisoning by opium.

**MURIATIC (HYDROCHLORIC) ACID,** (*Acidum Hydrochloricum.*) A corrosive mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** Sensation of burning in the throat, œsophagus, and the stomach; styptic taste in the mouth; great thirst; the eyes red and sparkling; the pulse very frequent and tense; and the skin



hot and dry; the tongue red and glazed; the lips black; vomiting of blood and yellow matter, having the pungent odour of the acid; cold sweats, delirium, and death. These are also the symptoms attending poisoning by any of the mineral acids; but it is said by *Orfila*, that when hydrochloric acid is the poison, a thick white fume of a sharp penetrating odour, similar to that exhaled by the acid, issues from the mouth.

*Morbid Appearances.* The mouth, œsophagus, and stomach, are of a deep red colour, and partially covered with extravasated blood; they are also often perforated in many places.

*Test.* When any of the acid which has been used as the poison remains, it is readily detected by its sensible qualities, and by the white dense fumes of hydrochlorate of ammonia, which are formed when a glass rod dipped in ammonia is approached to it. If mixed with wine, or other coloured fluids, it may be detected by distilling the suspected fluid from a small retort over a candle, into a phial containing a solution of nitrate of silver; the chloride of silver will be thus formed, which is known by its solubility in ammonia, and its insolubility in nitric acid. If the contents of the stomach or the vomited matter only can be procured, boil these for three-quarters of an hour in combination with a dilute solution of pure potassa, and precipitate the filtered fluid, with nitrate of silver, which will form the chloride of silver, if the poison be hydrochloric acid.

*Treatment.* Administer immediately soap and calcined magnesia, chalk or old chunam mixed in bland demulcent fluids, and promote speedy vomiting by tickling the throat. Give, freely, emollient diluents, and employ antiphlogistic means to overcome the inflammatory symptoms that supervene, when the poison does not prove very soon fatal.

**MURIATE or HYDROCHLORATE OF BARYTA, or CHLORIDE OF BARIUM** (*Barii Chloridum*.) A corrosive mineral poison.

*Symptoms.* Violent vomiting, accompanied with excruciating pains of the stomach and bowels; vertigo, stupor, paralysis of the lower extremities, convulsions, and death. Independent of its corrosive property, it acts on the brain and nervous system; the action of the heart is rapid and intermitting; respiration is momentarily suspended: the pupils dilate, and insensibility supervenes.

*Morbid Appearance.* Evidences of inflammation of the mucous membrane of the stomach throughout its whole extent.

*Tests.* If any of the poison be found, chloride of barium may be detected in it by dropping into it a little sulphuric acid, when a white precipitate will be formed, which is insoluble in nitric acid, or by the suspected fluid yielding with nitrate of silver a white curdled or clotted precipitate, insoluble in water and in nitric acid, but soluble in pure liquid ammonia. If the menstruum be red wine or coffee, the mixture is turbid; it should be filtered, and its colour destroyed by chlorine before testing it. The excess of chlorine, however, must be previously dissipated by heat, when the nitrate of silver is employed as a test.



**Treatment.** As soon as possible dilute largely with bland fluids, holding in solution sulphate of soda or of magnesia; for these salts decompose the chloride of barium, and form an inert insoluble sulphate in the stomach; then excite vomiting by irritating the fauces, afterwards treat the case as one of gastric inflammation.

\* The other barytic salts produce nearly the same effects on the animal economy as the chloride; and therefore these instructions refer equally to cases of poisoning by the *nitrate* and the *carbonate* of baryta, or by pure baryta.

**MURIATE—HYDROCHLORATE OF ANTIMONY—BUTTER OF ANTIMONY.** (*Hydrochloras Antimonii*). A corrosive mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** Excruciating pains of the stomach, violent vomiting, hypercatharsis, convulsions, syncope, and death.

**Morbid Appearances.** The mucous membrane of the stomach and intestines is inflamed throughout, and in some places eroded and gangrenous. The brain also presents evidences of having suffered from strong inflammatory excitement.

**Test.** Mix the suspected substance with carbonate of potassa and charcoal, and calcine the mixture; the result should be chloride of potassium, metallic antimony, and carbonic acid gas. The butter of antimony is decomposed by water, which forms a white precipitate; and by the hydro-sulphurets, which precipitate it of an orange colour.

**Treatment.** See *Tartar Emetic*.

**MURIATE OR CHLORIDE OF TIN.** (*Chloras Stanni*.) A corrosive metallic poison.

**Symptoms.** An austere metallic taste; constriction of the œsophagus; impeded respiration; violent vomiting, with cramp of the stomach and excruciating colic pains, purging, the pulse small, but sharp and quick; convulsions, sometimes paralysis, asphyxia, and death.

**Morbid Appearance.** Inflammation and erosion of the stomach and intestines.

**Test.** This salt, in the solid state, is in small acicular crystals, of a yellowish-white colour; deliquescent in the air, and reddening the vegetable blues. Mix the solid salt in a crucible, with charcoal and caustic potassa, (*potassa fusa*), and covering the crucible with charcoal, expose it to a strong heat for 20 minutes. The result should be metallic tin and chloride of potassium. If the poison be in solution, precipitate separate portions of it by the following re-agents; solution of potassa, or of ferro-cyanide of potassium, which throw down white precipitates; and the hydro-sulphurets, which form yellow precipitates. Bichloride of mercury, which forms a grey precipitate composed of grains of metallic mercury; and nitrate of silver, which precipitates clots of hydrochlorate of silver. If the solvents be wine or coffee, the solution must be freed from colour by chlorine before being tested.

**Treatment.** Dilute copiously with milk, which appears to decompose the chloride; then excite vomiting by large draughts of tepid water and irritating the fauces. Bleed, and employ the warm

may linger for a considerable time, in which case he vomits at intervals shreds of membrane, which have an insupportable fœtor; the constipation of the bowels is the most obstinate; and when dejections are obtained, they are attended with excruciating torture.

**Morbid Appearances.** When death has quickly taken place, the most characteristic feature displayed on dissection is a layer of yellow matter, which covers the mucous membrane of the œsophagus, the stomach, and every part over which the poison has passed. This membrane is also converted into a fatty substance, and the stomach is often found perforated. The lips, the chin, and the hands of the patient are also stained with orange-colored spots.

**Test.** Boil the fluid, if any remain unswallowed, over copper filings, when orange-coloured fumes will be extricated if nitric acid be present. Add morphia, which will be reddened, or add carbonate of potassa, which will form a deflagrating salt, if the acid is the nitric. In a diluted state this acid blackens the solution of protosulphate of iron. When none of the poison remains, and death has taken place, saturate the contents of the stomach with bicarbonate of potassa; evaporate the filtered solution to dryness, add to the residue copper filings and sulphuric acid, and receive the fumes on morphia, or a solution of protosulphate of iron; redness in the former and dark olive in the latter prove the presence of nitric acid.

**Treatment.** Give large doses of a solution of soap, or a mixture of calcined magnesia prepared chalk or old chunam in water or in any bland fluid and excite vomiting by tickling the throat. Then evacuate the stomach by large draughts of demulcent fluids; and bleed, purge, and employ other antiphlogistic measures, if the symptoms indicate inflammation.

**NUX VOMICA.** (*Strychnos nux Vomica, fructus.*) An acro-narcotic vegetable poison.

**Symptoms** Sensations of inebriety; vertigo; tetanic twitchings, and rigidity of the limbs and arms, alternating with subsultus tendinum; extreme difficulty of respiration, with excruciating pain under the xiphoid cartilage; asphyxia; and death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Scarcely any evidences of membranous inflammation in the stomach or intestines: the lungs appear natural; but the left ventricle of the heart is generally gorged with blood, and the whole of the arteries contracted. It is supposed that this poison acts chiefly on the medulla spinalis.

**Test.** Powder grey, inodorous, very bitter; gives an orange-yellow colour to nitric acid. Digest in alcohol and evaporate; take up the extract with water acidulated with sulphuric acid; then boil with a slight excess of lime; wash the precipitate and act upon it with boiling alcohol, leave to spontaneous evaporation, and test the residue as for strychnia.

**Treatment.** Evacuate the stomach and bowels, and then dilute freely with vinegar and water, and other acidulous drinks. If narcotic symptoms predominate, then adopt the same measures as for opium.

**OPIUM, (*Opium*.)** A narcotic vegetable poison.

*Symptoms.* Drowsiness and stupor, which are followed by delirium, pallid countenance, sighing, deep and stertorous breathing, cold sweats, coma, and death.

*Morbid Appearances.* Slight redness of the stomach and intestines; but there are no evidences of an inflammatory state of the brain or its membranes.

*Test.* Wash the contents of the stomach and intestines in distilled vinegar, and strain; then test a portion with persulphate of iron to detect meconic acid, which gives it a dirty red colour. To another portion add solution of acetate of lead, and separate the precipitate by filtration; wash it well, then extend it in water and pass through it a stream of sulphuretted hydrogen, heat it to drive off any excess of the gas, and test the fluid with persulphate of iron. Evaporate the fluid separated by the filter to an extract, act upon this by alcohol, leave the tincture to spontaneous evaporation, and test the residue for morphia.

*Treatment.* The stomach-pump should be instantly used, or an emetic consisting of ℞j. of sulphate of zinc, or from gr. v. to gr. x. of sulphate of copper dissolved in an ounce of water, should be exhibited as soon as possible, and the vomiting kept up by irritating the fauces. It is advisable to use an astringent infusion instead of water with the stomach-pump. After the stomach is emptied, give large draughts of vinegar and water, and other acidulous fluids; with coffee, brandy, and cordials; keeping awake and constantly rousing the attention of the sufferer, until the effects of the poison subside. Open the Jugular vein and use artificial respiration when necessary if scarcely any pulse, use brandy, wine, and Ammonia: active Purgatives by the mouth and Anus. Immersion in the tepid bath is a useful means of subduing the drowsiness. Dashing cold water on the head and chest is also useful.

**OXALIC ACID, (*Acidum Oxalicum*.)** A corrosive poison.

*Symptoms.* Burning pain of the stomach; nausea, and severe but ineffectual efforts to vomit; great dilatation of pupils; vertigo, convulsions, and death.

*Morbid Appearances.* The tongue and fauces are covered with a viscid white mucus; the stomach is partially-inflamed and exhibits in some places, evidently those to which the acid has been more immediately applied, a pulpy character. Evidences of inflammation in the lungs.

*Tests.* Its small, needle-form, lamellar crystals have occasioned it to be mistaken for Epsom salts; but it is easily distinguished from these by its strong acid taste, by its volatilizing when heated in a phial, and subliming in small crystals, and by lime-water throwing down, in its solution, a copious precipitate of oxalate of lime, which is insoluble in an excess of the acid, but soluble in nitric acid. Precipitate by nitrate of silver: the precipitate when well washed and dried slightly detonates.

*Treatment.* Administer, as soon as possible after the poison has been taken, a mixture of chalk and water, and then evacuate the oxalate of lime thus formed, by exciting vomiting, by copious dilution and irritating the fauces.



bath, fomentations, and emollient enemas, to combat the inflammatory symptoms; administering, at the same time, opiates and antispasmodics to soothe the nervous irritation.

**THE MUSSEL, (*Mytilus Edulis*.)** A septic animal poison.

**Symptoms.** Sensation of weight at the stomach, nausea, constriction of the throat, immoderate thirst, vomiting, stertorous breathing, vertigo, itching, and sometimes an eruption all over the skin; low tremulous pulse, subsultus, and coldness of the extremities occasionally terminating in death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Slight evidence of inflammation of the mucous membrane of the stomach. A dark foetid fluid is present in the stomach; and the whole body rapidly undergoes putrefaction.

**Test.** None.

**Treatment.** Evacuate the stomach by a powerful emetic, and irritate the fauces with the finger or a feather, until full vomiting be excited: purge with castor oil; and, at the same time, dilute freely with acidulous liquids, giving, at short intervals, from 20 to 60 drops of æther in half an ounce of simple syrup.

\* \* These remarks apply generally to all cases of poisoning by fish. (For a list of the fish most to be dreaded, see *London Medical Dispensary*, vol. iii p. 451.) But it is probable, as suggested by Burrows in the paper referred to, that the poisonous properties of fish depend chiefly on an unhealthy state of the fish itself.

**NITRATE OF COPPER**; see under *Sulphate of Copper*.

**NITRE—NITRATE OF POTASSA, (*Nitras Potassæ*.)** An acrid mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** When taken in doses of half an ounce to an ounce, which has too frequently happened from the salt being sold in mistake for sulphate of soda, it excites nausea, vomiting, and hypercatharsis; bloody stools, excruciating tormina of the lower bowels; the sensation of fire in the stomach, laborious respiration, cold extremities, syncope, convulsions, and sometimes death. If the patient live, he may remain paralytic.

**Morbid Appearances.** Inflammation and sphacelation of the mucous membrane of the stomach, which has been occasionally found perforated. The evidences of inflammation extend throughout the intestinal canal.

**Test.** The form of its crystals, if any of the salt remain, instantly distinguishes nitre from sulphate of soda; but, if it be in powder, it may be known by deflagrating when it is thrown upon hot coals, and by giving out nitrous acid fumes when hot sulphuric acid is poured on it. If the salt be in solution, throw upon the surface some crystals of morphia, and pour into the fluid a little sulphuric acid; if nitre be present, the morphia will be reddened by the nitrous acid disengaged.

**Treatment.** Dilute freely with milk and bland demulcents; exhibit emollient enemas; and, after bleeding when the pulse is hard and quick, administer opium and aromatics.

**NITRATE OF SILVER, or LUNAR CAUSTIC, (*Argenti Nitras*.)**  
A corrosive metallic poison.

**Symptoms.** Nearly the same as those produced by corrosive sublimate; in general the pain of the stomach is more severe: greatly embarrassed respiration.

**Morbid Appearances.** The organs of deglutition and the stomach present evident marks of inflammation and erosion. The mucous membrane of the stomach presents a black colour; the lips, the interior of the mouth, the œsophagus are also black. The fingers are sometimes tinged with the same colour.

**Tests.** If the poison have been taken in solution in water, it is detected by the arsenious acid mixed with ammonia precipitating a yellow arsenite of silver. Ammonia does not render the solution turbid, but it is precipitated olive colour by all the other alkalies. A stick of phosphorous placed in it precipitates the silver in a metallic state. All the hydrochlorates decompose it, and throw down a white precipitate, which is changed to black by the light; put these precipitates into a tube open at both ends and heated, pass through it a stream of hydrogen gas, the chloride first becomes yellow, then fuses and changes to red, which gradually weakens in depth, and leaves a coating of metallic silver on the tube.

**Treatment.** Administer, instantly, a strong solution of common salt, to form an insoluble chloride of silver in the stomach. Then evacuate the stomach by an emetic; and, if symptoms of inflammation nevertheless supervene, employ local and general bleeding, tepid baths, and emollient fomentations and clysters.

**TRISNITRATE OF BISMUTH, (*Trisnitras Bismuthi*.)** A corrosive metallic poison.

**Symptoms.** Nearly the same as those of corrosive sublimate, with a sensation of great heat in the chest, and difficulty of breathing.

**Morbid Appearances.** Inflammation and erosion of the mucous membrane of the stomach, which is almost reduced to a state of pulp, and separates by the slightest friction. The inflammation extends throughout the intestines, and the lungs also display traces of it.

**Tests.** The best test is chromate of potassa, which precipitates it from its aqueous solution of a beautiful orange-yellow colour. It may be detected in the solid contents of the stomach by calcination. In the fluid contents by passing through them a stream of sulphuretted hydrogen gas, dissolving the precipitate in hydrochloric acid, filtering the solution and testing with ferrocyanate of potassa, which forms a yellowish-white precipitate.

**Treatment.** Exhibit large draughts of milk, which is firmly coagulated into clots by the trisnitate of bismuth, and involving the poison, affords time and opportunity to expel it from the stomach. For this purpose give emetics and excite vomiting by copious dilution. If symptoms of inflammation show themselves, combat them by bleeding, and other antiphlogistic measures.

**NITRIC ACID, NITROUS ACID—AQUAFORTIS, (*Acidum Nitricum, Nitrosum*, P. E.)** Corrosive mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** Sensation of burning in the throat, œsophagus, and stomach; excessive vomiting, and almost immediate death, if the acid be strong, and the dose large; but if it be weak, the patient

**OXIDE OF COPPER ;** see under *Verdigris*.

**PHOSPHORUS,** (*Phosphorus*) A corrosive mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** Phosphorus taken even in moderate quantities produces immediate death ; and as it has been exhibited as a remedy, in this manner it may prove poisonous. The symptoms are violent pain of the stomach, with a hot alliaceous taste in the mouth ; great excitement of the arterial system, and horrible convulsions, which are the forerunners of death.

**Morbid Appearances.** A general inflammatory aspect of the stomach and intestines, with sphacelated spots in various parts.

**Test.** Phosphorus is readily known by its alliaceous smell and combustible properties.

**Treatment.** Dilute largely so as to fill the stomach with liquid, by which the combustion of the phosphorus in it is impeded and vomiting induced, without increasing the irritation of the viscus. Magnesia, mixed with the fluid exhibited, is useful by neutralizing phosphoric acid, which is formed in these cases and avoid oily and fatty substances.

**POTASSA, (Caustic)—SOLUTION OF POTASSA, (Potassa fusa, Liquor Potassæ)** Corrosive mineral poisons.

**Symptoms.** Acrid urinous taste in the mouth ; great heat of the throat ; nausea, and vomiting of bloody alkaline matter ; acute epigastralgia and insupportable colic ; hypercatharsis, convulsions, and death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Evidences of inflammation the most extensive of the whole alimentary canal, and perforations of the stomach.

**Tests.** If any of the poison remain, it is known by feeling soapy to the touch, changing to green the vegetable reds and blues, and precipitating nitrate of silver in the form of a dark-coloured oxide, which is soluble in nitric acid. Water impregnated with carbonic acid produces no precipitate nor causes opacity, which distinguishes it from the caustic earths. Potassa is distinguished from soda by evaporating the solution in a silver spoon, and when it is concentrated, testing with hydrochlorate of platinum ; or with tartaric acid : the former causes a yellow precipitate, the latter a precipitation of bitartrate of potassa. If none of the poison remain, the vomited matter must be tested in the above manner.

**Treatment.** Vomiting to be promoted and copious draughts of Vinegar and the vegetable acids should be instantly freely administered. Dilute with demulcents, and employ bleeding and other antiphlogistic means to reduce the inflammatory symptoms.

• • Cases of poisoning by soda and the alkaline carbonates require the same treatment.

**PRUSSIC ACID, (Acidum Hydrocyanicum.)** A sedative poison.

**Symptoms.** When the dose is large, death is the immediate result ; but if the dose do not exceed from 10 to 20 minims, it is succeeded by stupor and weight in the head ; nausea, faintness, and vertigo, with loss of sight ; followed by difficulty of respiration, dilated pupils, a small vibrating pulse, and syncope, which terminate insensibly in death, if no curative means be employed.

**Morbid Appearances.** No change of structure nor any trace of inflammatory action is evident : but a strong odour of the acid exhales from the stomach.



**Tests.** Perhaps the only certain test is to strain the contents of the stomach, and add to the liquid a few drops of liquor potassæ, and afterwards a few drops of sulphuric acid, and distil with a very low heat into a recipient cooled by ice and water, then add to the product a solution of protosulphate of iron. If prussic acid be present, a precipitate of a burnt brown colour will fall, which, on adding a little sulphuric acid, instantly changes to a bluish green, and gradually deepens to a beautiful full blue.

**Treatment.** Use emetics or the stomach-pump, cold affusion and then administer hot brandy and water, or camphor mixture, combined with liquid ammonia, or the aromatic spirit of ammonia. Oil of turpentine also, and the whole range of diffusible stimuli, will prove useful, and rouse the system in every possible way.

**RUE, and OIL OF RUE.** (*Ruta Graveolentis folia et Oleum Volatile.*) Acro-narcotic vegetable poisons.

**Symptoms.** Great dryness of the mouth and throat, accompanied with a sensation of heat and pain of the stomach and bowels, headache and delirium.

**Morbid Appearances.** We know of no recorded instance of death in the human species from the administration of rue or its oil; but in dogs, who have been killed by it, the stomach affords evidences of considerable inflammation.

**Test.** None; but the odour of the oil, which resembles that of the plant, leads to its detection.

**Treatment.** Emetics, and afterwards dilution with acidulous drinks and demulcents.

**SABINE or SAVINE, and OIL OF SAVINE,** (*Sabinæ folia et oleum.*) An acro-narcotic vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** All those of high excitement, with very acute pain of the stomach and bowels, nausea, vomiting, hypercatharsis, and convulsions.

**Morbid Appearances.** Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the stomach and rectum; but the symptoms depend chiefly on the action which the poison exerts on the nervous system.

**Test.** None.

**Treatment.** Evacuate the stomach by copious dilution with mucilaginous fluids, and keep down the inflammatory symptoms by the use of the lancet and other antiphlogistic measures.

**SAINT IGNATIUS' BEAN.** (*Strychnos Sancti Ignatii.*) An acro-narcotic poison.

**Symptoms.** See *Strychnia*.

**Tests.** This seed is about the size of a small olive, convex on one side and angular on the other, and covered with a grey powder; the substance horny, hard, brown, inodorous, and very bitter to the taste.

**Treatment.** See *Strychnia*.

**SOW BREAD,** (*Cyclamen Europeanum.*) An acrid vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Violent tormina and purging; bloody stools, accompanied with cold sweats and convulsions, frequently terminating in death.

**Test.** None.

**Morbid Appearances.** Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the stomach and bowels.

**Treatment.** Induce vomiting by large draughts of demulcent fluids; and combat the secondary symptoms by antiphlogistic or other means, as may be required.

**SPURGE—EUPHORBIIUM,** (*Euphorbiarum Succus proprius, et fructus.*) Acrid vegetable poisons.

**Symptoms.** A burning sensation in the mouth, throat, and stomach; vomiting; hypercatharsis, producing bloody stools, convulsions, and death.

**Test.** The euphorbium of the shops is readily recognized by the triangular form of its tears, and their inclosing seeds. When boiled in alcohol, the greater part is taken up, but an insipid wax separates as the solution cools, whilst a hot, acrid oil remains in solution.

**Morbid Appearances.** Evidences of violent inflammation of the stomach and the bowels; but more particularly of the rectum, which is always ulcerated, the surface of the abraded spots being covered with a brown or blackish fluid, which is probably extravasated blood.

**Treatment.** Excite vomiting by large draughts of tepid water, and then exhibit, alternately and repeatedly, a few table-spoonsful of olive oil, and a cupful of milk. Soothe the rectum with mutton broth and starch clysters, and bleed, if the excitement run high, after the stomach and bowels are evacuated.

**STRAMONIUM, or THORN APPLE,** (*Daturæ Stramonii Herba, fructus et semina.*) A narcotic vegetable poison, deriving its power from an alkaloid, named *Daturia*.

**Symptoms.** Vomiting, vertigo, delirium, sometimes furious madness, stupor, convulsions, paralysis, cold sweats, and death.

**Test.** None.

**Morbid Appearances.** Evidence of inflammation in the mucous membrane of the Stomach and the meninges of the brain. The lungs are generally gorged with very dark-coloured blood, and blotches of extravasated blood are seen in various parts of the alimentary canal.

**Treatment.** The same as in cases of poisoning by opium.

**STRONG SCENTED LETTUCE,** (*Lactucæ Virosæ Herba.*) A narcotic vegetable poison.

**Symptoms.** Inebriety, followed by the other symptoms that characterise poisoning by opium.

**Test.** None.

**Morbid Appearances and Treatment.** The same as in cases of poisoning by opium.

**SUGAR OF LEAD;** see under *Carbonate of Lead*.

**SULPHATE OF COPPER;** see under *Verdigris*.

**SULPHATE OF ZINC;** see *White Vitriol*.

**SULPHURIC ACID,** (*Acidum Sulphuricum.*) A corrosive mineral poison.

**Symptoms.** Austere styptic taste in the mouth; a sensation of burning pain in the throat, gullet, and stomach; nausea, vomiting, and

a horrible foetor of the breath. The matter vomited is tinged both by arterial and by venous blood, and bubbles upon the spot if it fall either upon chalk or marble. Symptoms of general inflammation of the abdominal viscera soon supervene, with difficult respiration, and a cough resembling croup; a frequent, small, concentrated, irregular pulse; constant horripilation; extreme anxiety and restlessness; convulsions of the face and lips; and sometimes a papulous eruption precedes death. The intellect remains entire until the last.

**Morbid Appearances.** The stomach contains a large quantity of dark grumous matter, and is much distended with foetid gas; its coats are ulcerated, black, and covered with deep corroded spots, an appearance that extends almost through the whole of the alimentary canal, which, in many places, also, is as it were dissolved, and in many instances perforations take place, and the contents of the stomach are found in the abdominal sac. The mouth and œsophagus present evidences of the highly corrosive properties of the poison.

**Test.** If any of the poison remain, it can be readily recognized by its great specific weight, by its property of evolving heat when mixed with water, and by its decomposition and the evolution of sulphuric acid gas on boiling it over mercury. If it be combined with wine or vinegar, add a solution of nitrate of baryta: if the acid be present, a sulphate of baryta insoluble in nitric acid, will be formed: the existence of which, however, must be demonstrated by adding to it an equal weight of charcoal, exposing the mixture, wrapped up in platinum foil, to the heat of a spirit lamp for ten minutes, then introducing it into a glass tube, and adding a few drops of pure hydrochloric acid. Sulphuretted hydrogen gas is evolved, and easily recognized both by the odour, and by introducing into the tube a slip of paper dipped in diacetate of lead. The contents of the stomach may be tested by boiling them with metallic mercury, which will produce sulphurous acid gas, if sulphuric acid have been the poison.

**Treatment.** Having ascertained the nature of the poison, dilute instantly and largely with milk mixed with calcined magnesia, or soap, or the fixed alkalis: and promote vomiting by tickling the fauces and treat the secondary symptoms by the means usually employed in inflammation of the intestines.

**TARTARIC ACID, (*Acidum Tartaricum*.)** A corrosive poison.

**Symptoms.** Nearly the same as those from poisoning by the oxalic acid.

**Morbid Appearances.** Very similar to those produced by the oxalic acid.

**Tests.** When heated in a phial, instead of subliming like oxalic acid, it is decomposed, blackens, swells, smokes, and exhales an acrid vapour. It burns with a blue flame, and leaves a spongy charcoal. When its solution is treated with lime-water, the white precipitate is soluble in an excess of the acid: with potash, the precipitated crystals are characteristic.

**Treatment.** Solutions of the alkalis, or chalk and water, should be instantly administered, and the secondary symptoms treated by bleeding and other antiphlogistic measures.

**TARTAR EMETIC, — POTASSIO-TARTRATE OF ANTIMONY,**



(*Antimonium Tartarizatum*, *Antimonii Potassio-Tartras*.) A corrosive metallic poison.

**Symptoms.** Nausea and severe vomiting, hicough, cardialgia, a sensation of burning heat at the epigastrium; twisting colic and hypercatharsis; small, frequent, hard pulse; syncope, difficult respiration, vertigo, insensibility to external stimulants, most painful cramps in the lower limbs, great prostration of strength and death.

**Morbid Appearances.** The stomach and intestines much inflated with gas; and the mucous membrane of the stomach red, tumefied, and covered with a viscid layer easily separated; the peritoneum is generally of a dark brick-red hue; and the membranes of the brain display marks of having been the seat of great inflammatory excitement; the lungs and lower intestines are not altered.

**Tests.** If the poison be found in its solid form, add charcoal, and reduce it by heating it in a coated tube. The odour of burnt vegetable matter will be exhaled; the powder will first blacken, then resume its white colour, and finally display metallic antimony. If the poison be found in a state of solution; 1. pour into the fluid a few drops of alcoholic infusion of galls, which will produce an instantaneous, copious, clotted, whitish-yellow precipitate. 2. Pass through the solution a stream of sulphuretted hydrogen gas; collect and wash the orange-coloured precipitate, put it in a glass tube open at both ends, and fitted to a proper apparatus for passing over the sulphuret of antimony a stream of hydrogen gas, whilst the tube is heated by a spirit lamp. The sulphuret is thus reduced, the sulphur carried off, and metallic antimony procured. If the poison be a vinous solution of tartar emetic, the precipitate formed by the tincture of galls is a bright violet.

**Treatment.** Dilute freely with tepid infusion of galls to decompose the poison and form an insoluble tannate, and evacuate by the stomach-pump: but if the whole of the poison be not evacuated, large doses of the decoction of yellow cinchona bark should be administered. It would perhaps be well to give this decoction, in the first instance, in doses sufficient to excite vomiting by their bulk. If the stomach should continue very irritable give opiates. Treat other symptoms according to their nature.

**TOBACCO**, (*Nicotianæ Tabaci folia*.) A narcotic vegetable poison, deriving its power from an alkali named *Nicotine*, and an oil.

**Symptoms.** Severe nausea, vomiting, headache, and other sensations of inebriety; sudden sinking of the strength, cold sweats, tremors, convulsions, and death. It operates most powerfully when introduced into the anus: the external application of a strong infusion is attended with similar symptoms, and proves nearly as virulent.

**Morbid Appearances.** The mucous membrane of the stomach presents very slight traces of inflammation; but no alteration is perceptible in the intestines. The lungs are generally found gorged with blood; but the morbid appearances are altogether obscure; the poison producing its deleterious effects evidently by its action both on the heart, which it paralyses, and on the nervous system.

**Test.** None.

**Treatment.** If the practitioner be called immediately after the poison has been swallowed, evacuate the stomach by two or three grains of tartar emetic, and assist its action by irritating the fauces, and assisting the vomiting by very copious doses of astringent infusions; especially of yellow cinchona bark or of galls. If, however, some time have elapsed, administer castor oil and purgatives, and immediately afterwards lemon juice, or vinegar and water; but if the sedative effects be already produced, nothing can be done until the habit be roused by brandy, camphor, and cordials, and rousing the system by cold affusion and every other possible means.

**VERATRUM**; see *Helebre Root—White*.

**VERATRIA.** An acro-narcotic poison.

**Symptoms.** In even small doses it excites nausea, vomitings, hypercatharsis, embarrasses respiration, causes tetanic spasms, and death.

**Morbid Appearances.** Indications of severe inflammation of the mucous membrane, ulcerations of the stomach and duodenum.

**Tests.** A white, inodorous, uncrystallizable powder, which excites violent sneezing when applied to the nostrils; it is scarcely soluble in water, very soluble in alcohol and æther; sulphuric acid first colours it yellow, then red, and last, violet.

**Treatment.** Copious dilution with demulcents; bleeding, and other antiphlogistic means.

**VERDIGRIS**, (*Ærugo*, *Subacetas Cupri*.) A corrosive metallic poison.

**Symptoms.** Dry, parched tongue, accompanied with a sensation of strangulation in the throat; nausea, and constant spitting, with coppery eructations; vomiting, or fruitless effort to vomit, with a feeling of dragging at the stomach; dreadful colic, and tenesmus; black, and, occasionally, bloody stools; the pulse small, hard, quick, and irregular; ardent thirst, difficult respiration, precordial anxiety, cold sweats, vertigo, great prostration of strength, cramps, convulsions, and death. The more prominent and most frequent symptoms are the spitting, colic, and vomitings.

**Morbid Appearances.** Stomach inflamed, and its coats much thickened, so as almost to obliterate the pyloric orifice, and tinged green; intestines inflamed, and in many places gangrenous, and even pierced so as to allow the poison to escape into the abdominal cavity. The rectum is generally found ulcerated.

**Tests.** It is readily recognized when any of the poison remains unswallowed. If in solution in wine or any coloured fluid, discharge the colour by chlorine, and precipitate the filtered fluid by ferrocyanate of potassa, which throws down a chesnut-brown precipitation, if any salt of copper be present; or decompose the verdigris in the solution by placing in it a clean knife, or a stick of phosphorus, which will appear after some minutes coated with metallic copper.

**Treatment.** Administer large doses of syrup, or copious draughts of sugar, albumen, and water, until the stomach is evacuated by the bulk of the liquid; and, afterwards, continue the exhibition of albumen in more moderate doses, combating any inflammatory symptoms that may supervene, by bleeding, and other antiphlogistic measures. Iron filings and ferrocyanate of potash, are said to be deserving of considerable confidence. If spasms of the alimen-



tary canal be severe, opiates should be given, and emollient clysters to evacuate and lubricate the bowels.

**WHITE LEAD**; see under *Carbonate of Lead*.

**WHITE VITRIOL.** (*Sulphus Zinci.*) A corrosive metallic poison.  
*Symptoms.* An acerb taste in the mouth, with a sensation of choking; nausea and severe vomiting, frequent stools, pains of the epigastrium and lower belly, difficult respiration, quickened pulse, paleness and shrinking of the features, and coldness of the extremities. Death but rarely follows, owing to the vomiting excited in the first instance by the poison.

*Morbid Appearances.* Evidences of intense inflammation of the mucous membrane of the stomach and bowels, and occasionally patches of black extravasated blood on the muscular coats of these viscera.

*Test.* Chromate of potassa, which throws down in the solution an orange-yellow chromate of zinc.

*Treatment.* Let the patient drink freely of milk, which, besides acting as an emollient, partially decomposes the poison, rendering it more inert. Exhibit emollient clysters, if the poison be not ejected from the stomach, and have passed the pylorus; and treat the secondary symptoms by antiphlogistic measures.

**WOLFSBANE**; see *Monkshood*.

#### POISONOUS SNAKES.

*Symptoms.* Severe pain in the wounded part which soon extends over the whole limb, and thence in the direction of the heart; loss of muscular power and speech; spasms through all the muscles of the body; difficult respiration and deglutition: pulse small and irregular; cold sweats, dimness of sight, and in the latter stages, stupor, from which however the patient is easily aroused, convulsions and death.

The same symptoms are present in cases of bites from all poisonous snakes.

The treatment consists of *local* and *constitutional* remedies.

The first indication in the *local* treatment is to endeavour to prevent the absorption of the virus; and this is answered by applying a tourniquet or ligature tightly round the wounded limb immediately; but as this cannot be kept long applied without injury to the limb, in every case which admits of the practice, extirpation of the bitten part, and the application of caustic, and cupping glasses should be resorted to.

The following ingenious method has been recommended in these cases,

"When the bite is situated in a tendinous part, and excision is impracticable without amputating the limb, pinch up the skin and pass a needle through it, and then apply a ligature beyond the needle; this completely insulates the part, and prevents absorption."

The *constitutional* treatment chiefly consists in administering stimulants; and it matters little whether we use *Brandy*, *Ammonia*, *Opium*, or any other of the numerous class of diffusible stimuli: the effect is the same with them all, viz., that of maintaining the powers of life until the effects of the poison have ceased to operate. The supposition of *Ammonia* or any other medicinal substance, exercising a specific action on the blood in these cases appears an hypothetical rather than a practical conclusion.

In some recent cases in this country (India) bleeding and cold affusion have been resorted to with the happiest effects.



# APPENDIX.

## No. II.

### ART OF PRESCRIBING MEDICINES.

In prescribing a medicine, the following circumstances should always be kept in view :—AGE, SEX, TEMPERAMENT, HABIT, CLIMATE, the CONDITION OF THE STOMACH, and IDIOSYNCRASY.

#### AGE.

For an Adult, suppose the dose to be ONE or 1 drachm.

Under 1 year, will require only....	1-12th	5 grains.
2 .....	1-8th	8 grains.
3 .....	1-6th	10 grains.
4 .....	1-4th	15 grains.
7 .....	1-3d	1 scruple.
14 .....	half	half drachm.
20 .....	2-3ds	2 scruples.
Above 21 The full dose.....	one	1 drachm.

65 The inverse gradation of the above.

Opiates affect children more powerfully than adults; but children bear larger doses of calomel than adults.

**SEX.** Women require smaller doses than men; they are more rapidly affected by purgatives than men; and the condition of the uterine system must never be overlooked.

**TEMPERAMENT.** Stimulants and purgatives more readily affect the sanguine than the phlegmatic, and consequently the former require smaller doses.

**HABITS.** The knowledge of these is essential; for persons in the habitual use of stimulants and narcotics require larger doses to affect them when labouring under disease, whilst those who have habituated themselves to the use of saline purgatives are more easily affected by these remedies. Persons, however, who have habituated themselves to the use of opium do not require larger doses than usual of other narcotics.

**CLIMATE.** Medicines act differently on the same individual in summer and winter, and in different climates: Narcotics act more powerfully in hot than in cold climates; thence smaller doses are required in the former: but the reverse is the case with respect to calomel.

**CONDITION OF THE STOMACH, AND IDIOSYNCRASY.** The least active remedies operate very violently on some individuals, owing to a peculiarity of stomach, or rather disposition of body, unconnected with temperament. This state can be discovered only by accident or time; but when it is known, it should always be attended to by the practitioner.

In prescribing, the practitioner should always so regulate the intervals between the doses, that the next dose may be taken before the effect produced by the first is altogether effaced; for by not attending to this circumstance, the cure is always commencing but never proceeding. It should, however, also be kept in mind, that some medicines, such as the mercurial salts, arsenic, &c., are

apt to accumulate in the system ; and danger may thence arise if the doses too rapidly succeed to one another. The action also of some remedies, elaterium and digitalis for example, continues long after the remedy is left off ; and therefore much caution is requisite in avoiding too powerful an effect, by a repetition of them even in diminished doses. Aloes and castor oil acquire greater activity by use, so that the dose requires to be diminished.

*Examples of useful Forms of Extemporaneous Prescriptions.*  
*Extracted from Ryan's Medico-Chirurgical Pharmacopœia.*

BALNEA.

BALNEUM ACIDI NITRO-MURIATICI.

℞ Acidi Nitrici ℥vj ; A. Hydrochlor. ℥ix ; Aquæ, q. s. ; ad gratam aciditatem.

Applied with a sponge over the region of the liver, thighs, legs, and superior extremities in chronic disease of the liver, and also employed as a manuluvium and pediluvium. It often acts as an aperient.

BALNEUM SULPHURIS.

℞ Flor. Sulphuris ℥ ij. : Aquæ Tepid. Oc.

The same proportion of sulphuret of potass may be used as a milder application. Vapour, douch, and various medicated baths are now generally employed in all the metropolitan cities.

CATAPLASMATA.

CATAPLASMA ANTISEPTICUM.

℞ Camphoræ 3 ij. ; Cataplasma. Lini q. s. ; Cinchonæ Pulv. ℥iv. M.  
 Employed successfully in simple and hospital gangrene.

CATAPLASMA CARBONIS.

℞ Cataplasma. Farinæ, vel Panis, ℞ss ; Carbonis Pulv. ℥ ij. M.  
 Employed in gangrene and unhealthy ulcers.

CATAPLASMA IODURETUM.

℞ Iodini ℥iv ; Potassæ Hydriod ℥j. Aq. ℥vi. Misce et adde Cataplasmat. Lini q. s.

Applied very hot to chronic glandular swellings.

CERATA.

CERATUM GOULARDII.

℞ Cerati ℥iv. ; Liquor, Plumbi Diacet. ℥ xx. M.  
 Applied to slight burns and indolent ulcers.

CERATUM QUINÆ.

℞ Quinæ Disulph. gr. vj. ; Cerati ℥j. M.

Applied to a blistered surface in obstinate agues, when the stomach rejects quinine or cinchona.

CERATUM ANTIM. POTASS.-TART.

℞ Cerati ℥ij. ; Antim. Potass.-Tart. ℥ij. ; Camphoræ ℥j. M.

Employed in frictions, twice or thrice a day, as a counter-irritant.

## ALTERUM.

℞ Ant. Potass.-Tart. ʒj. ; Adipis ʒj. ; Olei Crotonis Tiglii, ℥vj.  
—x. M. This succeeds when the former fails.

## LOTIONES.

## LOTIO FLAVA.

℞ Hydr. Hydrochlor. gr. xv. ; Liquoris Calcis Oj. M.

Employed in chronic diseases of the skin, and in venereal and indolent ulcers.

## LOTIO NIGRA.

℞ Hdyr. Chlorid. ʒj. Liq Calcis ʒviij. M.

In syphilitic and scrofulous ulcers and excoriations.

## FOMENTATIO RESOLVENS.

℞ Ammon. Hydrochlor. ʒj. , Aceti Oj. M.

Used in tumefaction of the mamma, from accumulation of milk. Cloths are wetted with this fomentation and applied to the affected part.

## LOTIO ANTIPSORICA.

℞ Potass ; Sulphureti, ʒj. to ʒij. Aquæ Fervent. Oj. M.

To be used partially in cases of psora twice a day.

## LOTIO DISINFECTANS MAGENDIE.

℞ Chlor. Calcis ʒij. ; Aquæ ʒxij. Misce in usum.

The proportion for disinfecting chambers, prisons, ships, crowded places, &c., is one part of the chloride of lime or soda to sixty of water. If used too strong the vapour causes cough, sense of suffocation, inflammation of the lungs, hæmoptysis, &c.

An ounce of the solution of the chloruret or chloride of lime with twelve ounces of water, may be employed to sponge the body in fevers, blue cholera, or as a rectal or vaginal injection or a gargle. It is also applied to spongy gums, and to whiten discoloured teeth. If it causes pain in any of the above cases, it ought to be diluted to a greater extent.

## LOTIO RUBEFACIENS.

℞ Antim. Potass.-Tart. ʒj. ; Aquæ Ferv. Oj. ; Sp. Camph. ʒss.  
Misce.

## ALTERA.

℞ Olei Oliv., ʒiij. ; Ol. Crotonis Tiglii ʒss.—j. M.

## FUMIGATIO HYDR. BISULPHURETI.

℞ Hydr. Bisulph. ʒjss.—ij. M. Hauriatur vapor calidus, ope infundibuli omni nocte, in fauces internas.

Employed in obstinate cutaneous and syphilitic complaints. It readily induces salivation.

## GARGARISMATA.

## GARGARISMA ACETOSUM.

℞ Aceti ʒij. ; Am. Hydrochlor. ʒj. ; Mellis. ʒiss. ; Aquæ ʒxij. ;  
Sit. gargarisma.

In inflammatory sore throat, or tonsillitis.



## GARGARISMA ACIDULATUM.

℞ Aceti ℥ij.; Mellis Rosæ ℥vj.; Decocti Hordei ℥vj. M.  
Gargarizet quantum lubet per diem, prout urget morbus.

## GARGARISMA ANTISYPHILITICUM.

℞ Hydrag. Hydrochlor. gr. j.; Decocti Hordei Oj; Mellis Rosæ ℥iv. M.  
In venereal sore throat.

## GARGARISMA DETERSIVUM.

℞ Sodæ Boratis, ℥ij.; Mist. Acaciæ, Syrupi, āā ℥iv.; Decot. Hordei, Oij. M. Colluantur fauces hoc gargarismate, bis in die.

## ALTERUM.

℞ Decoct. Hordei, Oj.; Acid. Hydrochlorici, ℥ij.; Mellis Rosæ ℥j. M.  
Used in ulcerated and sloughing sore throats.

## GARGARISMA EXCITANS.

℞ Piperis Nigri. ℥iv.; Magnes. carb. ℥j.; Aquæ, Aceti āā ℥iij. M.  
In malignant sore throat.

## ALTERUM.

℞ Capsici Pulveris ℥iv.; Sodæ Hydrochlor. ℥j.; Aquæ Bullientis Oss.; Aceti Ferventis, ℥vi. Misce.  
In gangrenous or malignant sore throat, technically termed Angina vel Cynanche Maligna.

## INFUSUM ERGOTÆ.

℞ Pulv. Ergotæ ℥j.—iss.; Aquæ Bullientis ℥viij. stent per quadrantem horæ, cola et adde Sacchari ℥j. Dosis ℥ss.  
Omni sexta horæ parte ad partum accelerandum.  
The decoction or extract is now generally preferred to accelerate parturition. The former may be prepared in the same proportion, strained, sweetened, and mixed with milk.

## INJECTIONS.

## INJECTIO CHLOR. SODII.

℞ Chlor. Sodii ℥ij. Aquæ, ℥vi.—viij. Tinct. opii. ℥j. Misce.  
In leucorrhœa and purulent discharges from the vagina.

## INJECTIO EXCITANS.

℞ Iodinii gr. ij.—iv.; Potass. Iodidi. gr. iv.—vj.—viij.; Aquæ Oj. M.  
Employed as injections in fistulous passages, in lotions, collyria and fomentations.

## LINCTI.

## LINCTUS PECTORALIS

℞ Oxymellis Scillæ, Misturæ Acaciæ, Syrupi āā p. e. Dosis ℥ss. secunda hora.  
In chronic pulmonary catarrh.

## LINCTUS SIMPLEX.

℞ Syrupi, Olei Amygdal. āā ℥ij.; Aq. Destillat. ℥ij. M.  
In coughs of children.

## LINIMENTA.

## LINIMENTUM ANTI-ARTHRITICUM.

℞ Potassii Iodidi vel Plumbi Ioduret. ℥ij.—ijj; Olei Oliv. ℥iv. Morphine, gr. ij. Fiat linimentum, quo deniter fricentur partes affectæ, bis vel ter in die.

This is an efficient application in swelling of the joints after gout or rheumatism.

## LINIMENTUM ARSENICALE.

℞ Acid. Arsenios. gr. ij. ; tere intime cum Ol. Olive ℥j.

In obstinate cutaneous and paralytic diseases. It should be used very cautiously, and double the quantity of oil added in most cases at first.

## LINIMENTUM IODINII.

℞ Linimenti Hydr. Ph. Lond. ℥ij; Potass. Iodidi vel. Plumbi Iodureti ℥j.—℥ss. ; Morphine Hydrochl. gr. ijs.

Very efficacious in discussing painful nodes, or venereal swellings on the long bones, wrists, ankles, &c.

## MISTURÆ.

## MISTURA ALOETICA Co. cum FERRO.

℞ Decocti Aloes C. ℥ijj. ; Mist. Ferri C. ℥iv. ; Tinct. Card. C., Tinct. Sennæ C. āā ℥iv. ; Olei Menthæ Pip. ℥v. M. Dosis ℥ss. bis vel ter quotidie.

In anemia after abortion, uterine hæmorrhage, chlorosis, and in cases of very pale, delicate, nervous, and hysterical women affected with atony of the digestive organs, constipation, or amenorrhœa. This medicine improves the general health, restores the appetite, revives colour on the countenance, and, to use an antiquated phrase, "makes red blood." When the digestion is very bad, ℥j. of tinct. gentianæ vel cascariellæ may be substituted for the same quantity of the Decoct. Aloes C. The hydriodas ferri and tart. potassæ et ferri are employed in similar cases with great advantage.

## MISTURA ANTACIDA.

℞ Magnesie ℥vi. ; Aq. Menth. Pip. ℥viiij. Dose ℥ij.

In heart burn and the vomiting attending pregnancy.

## MISTURA APERIENS ANTIMONIALIS.

℞ Mag. Sulph. ℥ij. ; Antim. Potass.-Tart. gr. i.—ij. ; Aquæ Menth. P. ℥viiij. M.

Very much employed in British Military Hospitals in inflammatory complaints, and as a common purgative. The addition of the antimony renders it more efficacious.

## MISTURA ASTRINGENS.

℞ Misturæ Cretæ ℥ijj. ; T. Kino T. Catechu, āā ℥ii.—iv ; Tinct. Opii ℥x.—xx. ; Syrupi ℥j. ; Olei Anisi ℥iv.—vj. M. Dosis ℥j. post singulas sedes liquidas.

In diarrhœa of children, accompanied by griping and want of sleep.

## MISTURA ASTRINGENS ANTI-HÆMORRHAGICA.

℞ Plumbi Acet. gr. vj.—xx. ; Acidi Acetici Diluti ℥j. Aquæ Menth. P. ℥iv. ; Tinct. Opii ℥ss. ; vel Morphine Acet. gr. ½—jss. M. Dosis ℥ss. secunda vel tertia hora.

Extremely effectual in hæmoptysis, hæmatemesis, hæmatyria, epistaxis, metrorrhagia, intestinal hæmorrhage, dysentery, and as an hæmastatic or anti-hæmorrhagic remedy in all passive discharges of blood. This formula is preferable to that for pills of the Acetate of Lead.

## MISTURA DIAPHORETICA.

R Aq. Menth. P.  $\bar{z}$  vj.; Liq. Am. Acet.  $\bar{z}$  ij.; Ant. Potass.-Tart. gr. j—ij.; Sacch.  $\bar{z}$  ss. M. Dosis  $\bar{z}$  ss. secunda vel tertia hora.

## MISTURA DIURETICA.

R Sp. Ætheris Nitrici.  $\bar{z}$  j.; T. Scillæ  $\bar{z}$  ij. M.  $\bar{z}$  j. sæpe in die ex infuso Juniperi.

## ALTERA.

R Potassæ Acetatis  $\bar{z}$  iij.—iv.; Aq. Menth. P.  $\bar{z}$  vj.; Tinct. Digitalis  $\bar{z}$  j.; Tinct. Scillæ  $\bar{z}$  ij.; Sp. Æther. Nitr.;  $\bar{z}$  iij. M. Dose  $\bar{z}$  ss. three or four times a-day in dropsies.

From gr. j.—iiij. of hydriodate of potass with the acetate in this mixture is used with much effect.

## MISTURA EFFERVESCENS.

R Sodæ Sub-Carbonatis  $\bar{z}$  j.; Aq. Menth. Pip.  $\bar{z}$  iss.

R Acid, Tartarici gr. xiv. Misce.

## MISTURA POTASSII IODIDI.

R Potassii Iodidi.  $\bar{z}$  j.—iss, ij.—iv.; Aq. Menth. P.  $\bar{z}$  viij.; Tinct; Lavend. C.  $\bar{z}$  j. M. Dosis  $\bar{z}$  ss. 3 in die, et. post hebdomadam 4 in die.

Employed in hypertrophy of organs with great success, and in syphilis.

## MISTURA RHEI COMP. GREGORY.

R Aquæ Menth Pip. Oj. Rhei Pulv.  $\bar{z}$  j.; Magnesiæ  $\bar{z}$  iss.; Zingiberis Pulv.  $\bar{z}$  j. M. Dosis  $\bar{z}$  ss. 3 in die.

This is termed the Mistura Gregorii, and is very much used in dyspepsia and hypochondriasis. When flatulence is urgent, and the patient œuropathic, complaining of numerous symptoms in almost every part of the body the following addition is very beneficial.

R Mist. Gregorii  $\bar{z}$  vj.; Tinc. Capsici, Sp. Æther, Sulph. T. Opii  $\bar{a}$   $\bar{z}$  j. M.

## MISTURA SALINA AMMONIATA.

R Ammon. Sesqui-Carb.  $\bar{z}$  ss; Succ. Limonis  $\bar{z}$  j.; Aq. Cinnam.  $\bar{z}$  ij.; Aquæ  $\bar{z}$  iij.; Sacchari Puri  $\bar{z}$  j. M. Sumat unciam secundam vel tertia quaque hora.

In the latter stage of continued and typhus fever.

## MISTURA SALINA REFRIGERANS.

R Potassæ Carb.  $\bar{z}$  iv.; Succ. Limonum  $\bar{z}$  ij.; Potassæ Nitrat.  $\bar{z}$  ij.; Aquæ  $\bar{z}$  iv.; Syrupi  $\bar{z}$  j. M. Dosis  $\bar{z}$  ss. secunda hora.

## PILULÆ.

## PILULÆ ACET. PLUMB. CUM IPECAC. (H. of GERM.)

R Plumbi Acet., Pulv. Ipecac.  $\bar{a}$   $\bar{z}$  ss.; Opii gr. v. Syrup q. s. M. In pilulas xl, divide, sumatur una secunda hora.

In uterine hæmorrhage and in hæmoptysis.

## PILULÆ CATHARTICÆ C.

R Ext. Colocynth. C.  $\bar{z}$  j.; Hydr. Chlor. gr. x.—xij. vel Pil. Hydrarg.  $\bar{z}$  j. Olei Menth. Pip.  $\mathcal{M}$ . v.; Ext. Hyoscymi  $\bar{z}$  j.; In pilulas xv.—xviij.—j. m. n.



This is a safe and efficacious purgative, is much employed in costiveness, more especially during pregnancy. When there is great nervousness, a grain of strychnine may be added. Care must be taken not to allow the Calomel to accumulate in the system, lest salivation be induced.

## PILULÆ CONII ET CAMPHORÆ.

R Ext. Conii gr. iij; Camphoræ gr. ij. Fiat pilula h. s. s.  
In chordee and painful erections.

## PILULÆ DIAPHORETICÆ.

R Opii, Ipecac. āā gr. j, Camph., Pulv., Antim. āā gr. ij; Mist. Acaciæ q. s. Fiat pilula.  
In fevers, rheumatism, asthma, chronic, bronchitis, &c.

## PILULÆ QUINÆ.

R Quinæ Disulph. gr. xij.; Ext. Gentianæ ℥j.; Pil. Rhei C. ℥ij.; or Ext. Colocynth. C. ℥iss. Pil. Hydr. gr. vj. Forma in pil. xij.  
—Dosis una ter in die.  
In atony of the digestive organs as a tonic and aperient.

## PILULÆ STRYCHNIÆ.

R Confect. Rosæ ℥iss.; Glycyrrhizæ Pulv. gr. x.; Strychniæ Pulv. gr. j. Tere intime et in pilulas xij. divide j. m. n.

In disorders of the cerebro-spinal system, nervous affections, epilepsy, hysteria, chorea, hypochondriasis, neuralgia, spinal irritation, hemiplegia, the different kinds of palsy, including partial or general, paralysis agitans, diarrhœa with rice coloured dejections premonitory of blue cholera.

## PULVERES.

R Bismuthi Trisnitr. gr. iv.; Magnes., Sacch. āā ℥j.  
In chartulas iv. divide j. ter in die.  
Very efficacious in pyrosis.

R Ferri Sexquioxyd. ℥j.; Pulv. Cinnam C. gr. x. M. bis vel ter indies.  
In neuralgia in different parts of the body.

## PULVIS DIAPHORETICUS.

R Potassæ Nitratis gr. x.; Camphoræ gr. iv.; Acaciæ Pulv. ℥j.  
In partes iij—j secundis horis.

## PULVIS DIURETICUS.

R Jalapæ Pulv. C. ℥vj.; Pulv. Scillæ Digitalis, Hydr.-Subm., P. Antim. com., gr. xij.; Pulv. Cinnam. C., vel Zinziberis ℥j. In chartulas xij. divide, quarum sumatur i, m vespereque.  
Very effectual in dropsies.

## PULVIS HYDR. C. CRETA ET RHEO.

R Hydr. c. Creta, gr. vj.—x.; Rhei Pulv. xv,—xx.; Pulv. Arom. gr. x. M. In ch. vj. j. bis in die.

## PULVIS ERGOTÆ.

R Pulv. Ergotæ ℥ij.; P. Cubebæ ℥j.; Pulv. Arom. ℥j.; Sacch. ℥j. M. In ch. viij., j ter in die.  
In leucorrhœa, blennorrhagia, blenorrhœa.

## PULVIS SULPHURIS C.

R Sulph. ℥ss.; Potassæ Bitart. ℥j.; Potassæ Nitrat. ℥ij.; Pulv. Jalapæ ℥ss.; Pulv. Cinnam. C. ℥j. Fiat pulvis, cujus sumat coch. parvum omni nocte ex quovis vehiculo.  
In psora and hæmorrhoids.

*Medicines for Children, selected chiefly from Maunsell and  
Evanson on the Disease of Children.*

DALBY'S CARMINATIVE.

R Aquæ Menthæ piperitæ 3ij., Carbonatis Magnesiæ ʒij., Olei Menthæ guttam, Olei Anisi guttas iij., Tincturæ Castorei 3ss., Tinct. Cardam. Comp. 3ss., Assafoetidæ gtts. ij., Spiritus Pulegii gtts. xv., Tincturæ Opii. guttas v. M.

MISTURA EMETICA.

R Aquæ 3j., Vini Ipecac. 3ss Syrupi 3ss., M. 3j. 3ij. Sæpe ad emesem.

MISTURA ANTI-EMETICA.

R Infusi Menthæ 3j., Gum. Ac. 3ss., Liq̃or, Potassæ gtts. vj. Syrupi Aurantii 3ss. Tinct. Lavandulæ C. 3ss. Tinct. Opii gtts. ij. M. 3j.—3ij. Sumat hora quaque 2 da.

MISTURA EXCITANS.

R Aquæ Menthæ 3iss. Spir. Ammoniac arom 3ss. Spir. Ætheris nitrici gtts. xij. Tinct. Lavandulæ Comp. 3j., Syrupi Caryophyllorum 3ss. M. 3j. hora quaque secunda.

This will be found a good general stimulant for Children.

MISTURA CORROBORANS.

R Aquæ Distillatæ 3jss. Disulph. Quinæ gr. ij. Acidi Sulphur. dil gtts. xvj. Syrupi Caryophyllorum 3ss. M. 3j.—3ij. ter indies.

MISTURA IPECACUANHÆ SEDATIVA.

R Infusi Menthæ 3iss. Vini Ipecacuanhæ 3iss. Bi-carbonatis Sodæ gr. xij. Syrupi Aurantii 3ij. Tinct. Opii gtts. iv. M. 3j.—3ij. hora quaque secunda.

MISTURA MANNÆ.

R Mannæ 3ss. Mist. Acaciæ 3ss. Syrupi Violæ 3ij. Bene admisce et adde Aquæ Menthæ 3j. M. 3j.—3ij. hora quaque 3 tia. ad effectum.

PULV. RHEI AND MAGNESIÆ.

R Pulv. Rhei ʒj. Magnesiæ ʒij. Pulv. Cinnamomi gr. x. M.

In doses of 3 or 4 grains, every third hour, to a child 6 months old.

R Hydrarg. Chlorid. gr. j. Sodæ Carbon. Exsic. gr. iv. Pulv. Cretæ gr. ij. M. Nocte manque sumend.

As an alterative in infantile fever.

PULVIS JALAPÆ ET IPECACUANHÆ.

R Pulveris Jalapæ 3ss., Pulveris Ipecacuanhæ gr. v. Chlor. Hydrarg. gr. v. Sacchari gr. x. M. Gr. ij.—v. hora quaque. 3 tia.

PULV. SCAMMON. COM.

R Scammoniac ʒj. Olei Amygdalarum 3j. Solve caloris mitioris ope et adde Mist. Acaciæ 3j. M. 3j.—3ij. hora quaque tertia.

PULV. SCAMMONII ET RHEI.

R Pulveris Rhei, Pulveris Scammonii, Sulphatis Potassæ āā gr. x. Bene tere Limul et adde Pulveris Aromatici gr. v. M. gr. ij. ad. gr. vj. hora quaque tertia ad effectum.

One of the most effectual and yet mild purgatives that we are acquainted with.

PULV. ANTACIDA CATHARTICA.

R Pulv. Jacobi 3j. Pulv. Rhei 3ij. Magnes Carbon. 3vj. Hydrarg. cum Cretæ, 3ij. from gr. iv. to gr. xij. M.

In cases when the stools are green and sour this has been found a most efficacious remedy.

## CHALK MIXTURE.

℞ Mist. Cretæ ℥ij. ; Tinct. Kino ℥ss. ; Tinct. Catechu ℥ss. ; Spirit Ol. Anisi ℥x. ; Syrupi Simp. ℥vj. misce.  
A teaspoonful after every loose evacuation.

## ALTERATIVE APERIENT.

℞ Pulveris Hydrarg. C. Creta gr. i. ; Pulveris Rhei gr. ij. ; Magnesiae Calcin. gr. ij. misce.  
To be given in a little simple syrup.

## TONIC AND APERIENT POWDERS.

℞ Quini Disulph. gr. i. ; Pulveris Rhei gr. vj. ; misce et divide in Chart. vj. : one to be given in a small quantity of the syrup of ginger once or twice daily.

## MERCURIAL PURGATIVE.

℞ Calomel gr. i. ; Pulveris Rhei gr. iij. ; Carb. Sodæ Exsic. gr. iv. ; misce fiat Pulvis.  
To be given at bed-time.

## ALTERATIVE AND TONIC POWDER.

℞ Pulveris Hydrarg. cum Creta gr. ij. ; Quini Disulph. gr. 1-6th misce fiat Pulvis.

One every morning in cases of marasmus and in children debilitated from dentition.

## APPENDIX NO III.

## A TABLE

EXHIBITING THE NAMES AND DOSES OF SOME OF THE MEDICINES  
IN M. MAGENDIE'S FORMULARY OF 1836.

(Translated from the French.)

*Acetas Morphice.* (F. MAGENDIE. ℞ Morphice gr. xvj. ; Aq. Distillatæ ℥j. ; Acidi Acetici, m iv. ; Alcoholis, ℥i. M. Dosis m vj. —xxiv.

*Syrupus Morphice.* ℞ Morphice gr. iv. ; Syrupi simplicis, Oj. M. Dosis ℥j. secundis horis.

*Solutio Morphice Hydrochloratis.* ℞ Morphice Hydrochlor., ℥ss. ; Aquæ Distillatæ ℥xiv. M. D. m xv. —xxx.

*Acidum Hydrocyanicum Medicinale.* ℞ Acidi Hydrocyanici, formula Gaylussac, p. j. pond., Aq. Distillatæ p. viiss. M. D. m vj. —xv.

Hydrocyanic acid becomes inert when the phial that contains it is frequently opened; and it cannot be procured of the same strength in any two laboratories.



*Brominii Solutio.* R Brominii, ʒss.; Aq. Distillat. ʒiss. M. D. m iv.

Employed when Iodine fails, and when the constitution is accustomed to it.

*Bromatis Ferri.* R Bromatis Ferri, Acaciæ Pulv., āā gr. xij.; Conf. Rosæ gr. xvij. Forma in pilulas xxiv. Sumantur duæ m. n.

In hypertrophy of the heart and other organs: and in scrofulous and glandular engorgements.

*Brucciæ. Pulvis* gr. ¼—vj.

According to Andral, six grains are equal to one of Strychnine.

*Chloruretum Zinci.* R Zinci Chlor. ʒj.; Farinæ Tritici, ʒij. iij.—iv.; Aquæ q. s. ut fiat cataplasma.

Used by M. Canquoin in cancer and lupus as an escharotic with great advantage.

*Gentianinæ Syrupus.* R Gentian. gr. xvj.; Syrup Oj. M. D. ʒj.—ij.

A tonic in scrofulous cases.

*Iodinii Tinctura.* R Iodinii, gr. xlviij.; Alcoholis, ʒj. M. D. m v.—xx.

*Ioduretum Sarsaparillæ.* R Decocti Sarsaparillæ, Oij; Hydriodatis Potass.; ʒi—iss. Syrupi Aurantii ʒj. M.

To be taken in twenty-four hours, in secondary syphilis.

*Mistura Acidi Hydrocyanici Medicinalis.* R Acidi Hydrocyanic, ʒj, Aquæ Distillat. Oj.; Sacchari ʒj. Misce Dosis ʒss.—ij.

Demulcent and Sedative.

*Mistura Strychniæ* R Aq. Distillatæ ʒj.; Strychniæ gr. j. Sacchari Albi, ʒij.; Acidi Acetici Diluti, m. iij. M. Dosis ʒj. manè nocteque.

Stimulant. Vide *Pills*.

*Narcotina.* The dose of a drachm produced no effect in twenty-four hours.

*Pilula Veratriæ.* R Veratriæ gr. ij.; Pulv. Glycyrrhizæ gr. xij.; Ext. Hyoscyami gr. vj. M. In pilulas xij. divide, quarum capiat j ter in die.

*Piperina.* Febrifuge gr. ss.—ij.

In pills only.

*Strychnia.* Strychnine, or the Hydriodate, Hydrochlorate, Nitrate, Phosphate, Subcarbonate gr. 1-12th—gr. ss. daily.

This pure Strychnine is preferred, gr. 1-12th—gr. ij.: the dose being gradually increased every eight or ten days. PILLS are preferred. (Vide *Formulary*.)

*Syrupus Acidi Hydrocyanici.* R Syrupi Simplis Oj.; Acidi Hydrocyanici Medicinalis ʒj. M. Dosis ʒi—iv.

Sedative.

*Additions to the Materia Medica, and New Medicines in the  
London Pharmacopœia 1836.*

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Acetum cantharidis  
 Acidum hydrochloricum dilutum  
 ——— phosphoricum dilutum  
 Aconitina  
 Aqua florum aurantii  
 ——— sambuci  
 Aspidium filix mas  
 Aurantii flores  
 ——— oleum  
 Baryta  
 Bergamii oleum  
 Brominium  
 Calcis hydras  
 Calx  
 Cataplasma lini  
 Carbo animalis  
 Chimaphila corymbosa  
 Creasoton  
 Diosma  
 Enema aloes  
 ——— coloëynthidis  
 Ergota  
 Extract. colchici cormi  
 ——— colchici aceticum  
 ——— digitalis  
 ——— pareiræ  
 ——— uvæ ursi  
 Ferri percyanidum  
 Hirudo  
 Infus. Diosmæ  
 ——— krameriæ (rhatany)  
 ——— lupuli  
 ——— pareiræ  
 ——— scoparii  
 ——— serpentariæ  
 Iodinium  
 Lacmus

Lactucarium  
 Limonum succus  
 Linimentum opii  
 Lobelia  
 Manganisii binoxydum  
 Maranta  
 Mistura cascarillæ comp.  
 ——— gentianæ comp  
 ——— spiritus vini gallici  
 Mucuna  
 Nux vomica  
 Oleum sambuci  
 Pareira  
 Phosphorus  
 Pil. conii comp  
 ——— hydrargyri Iodidi  
 ——— ipecacuanhæ comp  
 ——— sagapeni comp  
 ——— styracis comp  
 Potassæ chloras  
 Potassii ferro—cyanidum  
 Quina  
 Sabadilla  
 Sago  
 Scoparius  
 Sodæ phosphas  
 Sodii chloridum  
 Spiritus vini gallici  
 Tinctura Balsami Tolutani  
 ——— colchici  
 ——— cubebæ  
 Tussilago  
 Unguent. creasoti  
 ——— hydrarg. Iodidi  
 ——— ——— Biniodidi  
 ——— plumbi Iodidi  
 Vinum Xericum

## TABLE OF FORMER AND NEW NAMES. •

FORMER NAMES.	NEW NAMES.
Acidum aceticum dilutum.	Acetum destillatum.
----- muriaticum.	Acidum hydrochloricum.
Ammoniae murias.	Ammoniae hydrochloras.
----- subcarbonas.	----- sesquicarbonas.
Antimonii sulphuretum.	Antimonii sesquisulphuretum.
----- sulphuretum præcipi-	----- oxysulphuretum.
tatum.	----- potassio-tartas.
Antimonium tartarizatum.	Acidum arseniosum.
Arsenicum album.	Bismuthi trisnitas.
Bismuthi subnitas.	Calcii chloridum.
Calcis murias.	Ceratum.
Ceratum simplex.	Confectio amygdalæ.
Confectio amygdalarum.	Confectio aurantii.
----- aurantiorum.	----- scammonii.
----- scammonæ.	Cupri ammonio-sulphas.
Cuprum ammoniatum.	Decoctum cinchonæ cordifoliæ.
Decoctum cinchonæ.	----- cetrariæ.
----- lichenis.	----- sarzæ.
----- sarsaparillæ.	----- sarzæ compositum.
----- sarsaparillæ compositum.	
Emplastrum picis compositum.	Emplastrum picis.
Extractum cinchonæ.	Extractum cinchonæ cordifoliæ.
----- opii.	----- opii purificatum.
Ferri subcarbonas.	Ferri sesquioxylum.
Ferrum ammoniatum.	----- ammonio-chloridum.
----- tartarizatum.	----- potassio-tartas.
Hydrargyri oxydum cinereum.	Hydrargyri oxydum.
----- oxydum rubrum.	----- binoxydum.
----- oxymurias.	----- bichloridum.
----- submurias.	----- chloridum.
----- sulphuretum nigrum.	----- sulphuretum cum
----- sulphuretum rubrum.	sulphure.
----- præcipitatum album.	----- bisulphuretum.
Infusum caryophyllorum.	----- ammonio chloridum.
Linimentum ammoniæ fortius.	Infusum caryophylli.
----- ammoniæ subcarbonatis.	Linimentum ammoniæ.
----- hydrargyri. •	----- ammoniæ sesquicarbonatis.
----- saponis compositum.	----- hydrargyri compositum.
Liquor ammoniæ subcarbonatis.	----- saponis.
----- arsenicalis.	Liquor ammoniæ sesquicarbonatis.
----- calcis muriatis.	----- potassæ arsenitis.
----- cupri ammoniati.	----- calcii chloridi.
	----- cupri ammonio-sulphat



## FORMER NAMES.

liquor hydrargyri oxymuriatis.  
 — plumbi subacetatis.  
 — potassæ sub carbonatis.  
 Magnesiæ subcarbonas.  
 Mistura amygdalarum,  
 mucilago acaciæ.  
 — amyli.  
 Oleum pulegii  
 — terebinthinæ rectificatum.  
 Oxymel simplex.  
 Pilula hydrargyri submuriatis  
 composita.  
 — saponis cum opio.  
 Plumbi oxydum semivitreum.  
 — subcarbonas,  
 Potassa fusa.  
 Potassæ carbonas.  
 — subcarbonas.  
 — supertartras.  
 — sulphuretum.  
 Pulvis antimonialis.  
 Sodæ carbonas.  
 — murias.  
 — subboras.  
 — subcarbonas.  
 Soda tatarizata.  
 Spiritus camphoræ.  
 — lavendulæ compositus.  
 — pulegii.  
 Syrupus aurantiorum.  
 — sarsaparillæ.  
 — simplex.  
 Tinctura ferri ammoniati.  
 — ferri muriatis.  
 — sennæ.  
 Vinum antimonii tartarizata.  
 —  
 Unguentum elemi compositum.  
 — hydrargyri præcipi-  
 tati albi.

## NEW NAMES.

Liquor hydrargyri bichloridii.  
 — plumbi diacetatis.  
 — potassæ carbonatis.  
 Magnesiæ carbonas.  
 Mistura amygdalæ.  
 — acaciæ.  
 Decoctum amyli.  
 Oleum menthæ pulegii.  
 — terebinthinæ purificatum.  
 Oxymel.  
 Pilula hydrargyri chloridi com-  
 posita.  
 — saponis composita.  
 Plumbi oxydum.  
 — carbonas.  
 Potassæ hydras.  
 — bicarbonas.  
 — carbonas.  
 — bitartas.  
 Potassii sulphuretum.  
 Pulvis antimonii compositus.  
 Sodæ sesquicarbonas.  
 Sodii chloridum.  
 Sodæ biboras.  
 — carbonas.  
 — potassio-tartras.  
 Tinctura camphoræ.  
 — lavandulæ composita.  
 Spiritus menthæ pulegii.  
 Syrupus aurantii.  
 — sarzæ.  
 Syrupus.  
 Tinctura ferri ammonio-chloridi.  
 — ferri sesquichloridi.  
 — sennæ composita.  
 Vinum antimonii potassio-tartra-  
 tils.  
 Unguentum elemi.  
 — hydrargyri ammo-  
 chloridi.

*Various Preparations of Opium, with quantities contained in the different Preparations, and the doses of each.*

Confectio Opii	gr. j.	of opium	in gr. xxxvi.	Dose	gr. x. to gr. xxx
Emplastrum Opii	gr. j.		in ℥j.		
Enema Opii	gr. j.		in ℥ij.		
Extract Opii puri-					
ficat.				gr. j. to gr. v.	
Extract. Papaveris				gr. ij. to ℥j.	
Liniment. Opii	gr. iiij.		in ℥iv.		
Morphia.	not used in Medicine.				
— Acetas	gr. j.	is equal	gr. viij.	Dose	gr. ʒ. to gr. j.
— Hydroch-		to Opii			
loras	gr. j.	is equal	gr. viij.	—	gr. ʒ. to gr. j.
Pilulæ Ipecac.		to Opii			
Comp.	gr. j.		in xviii.	—	gr. v. to gr. x.
— Saponis Comp.	gr. j.		in gr. v.	—	gr. iiij. to gr. x.
— Styracis Comp.	gr. j.		in gr. v.	—	gr. iiij. to gr. x.
Pulv. Cretæ Comp.					
cum Opio	gr. j.		in ℥ij.	—	gr. v. to gr. xxx
— Ipecac. Comp.	gr. j.		in gr. x.	—	gr. v. to gr. xx.
— Kino Comp.	gr. j.		in ℥j.	—	gr. v. to gr. xx.
Tincto Camph.					
Comp.	gr. j.		in f℥j.	—	℥j. to ℥iij.
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