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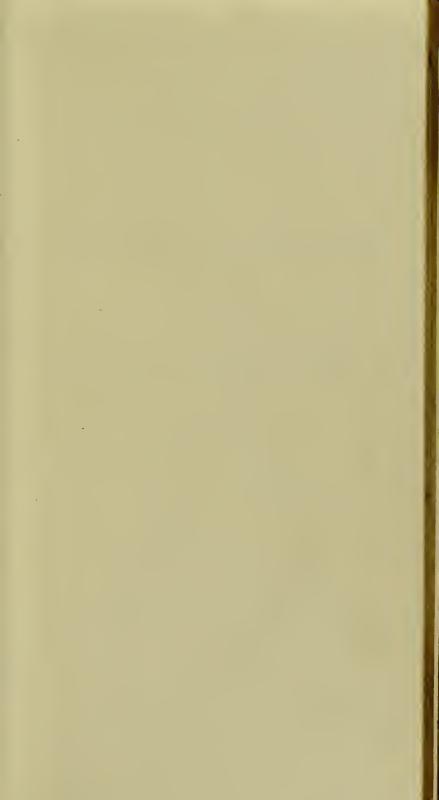
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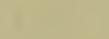
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### ANALYSIS

#### OF THE

# New London Pharmacopœia,

#### EXPLAINING THE

Nature, Principles, Elective Attractions, Qualities, Ufes, and Dofes of the various Preparations and Compositions contained therein; and particularly calculated

FOR THE USE OF THE

JUNIOR STUDENTS.

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NATURAM PRIMUM STUDEAT COGNOSCERE RERUM. Lucret. Lib. III.

NEWMARKET:

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#### LITERÆ IN MATERIA MEDICA CORRIGENDÆ.

In page 1 et 4, lege pharmacopæia; p. 3, corallina; p. 4, ferratis; p. 5 et 7, lancealato; p. 7, herbaceo; p. 8 Salfolæ; p. 12, hæmatoxylum; p. 13, Benzoe; p. 14, auctores; p. 15, idæus; p. 24, Mimofæ; p. 26, Minium, vizofus, et Amber.

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### PREFACE,

THE neceffity of a common directory for preparing and compounding officinal medicines is evident; and the difficulty of compleating a work of that kind, is indifputably great. The College has therefore conferred much obligation on the faculty in general, by profecuting the neceffary reform of the London Pharmacopœia. In this judicious performance, we find the method better adjusted, the preparations perfectly confonant with the improvement of the times, and an exemplary pattern of the just fimplicity which the practice of physic is now brought to. Since then, many of the preparations and compositions of this flandard book will be neceffarily committed to the charge of the junior part of the profession, a concife and eafy introduction to the knowledge of the refpective principles and properties of its contents, cannot be deemed an unneceffary performance.

Upon this principle, the following Analyfis and comments have been particularly calculated to explain, at one view as it were, the different forms, combinations, medical qualities, ufes, and dofes of every prefcript, in the order obferved by the College. And as this performance is chiefly intended to give a rudimental infight into the nature and properties of each preparation to those who are in a ftate of pupilage, further reference may in due time be had to the New Edinburgh Difpenfatory, Berken-

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hout's Elements of Chemistry, Lewis and Bergius's Materia Medica, Monro's Medical and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Murray's Apparatus Medicaminum, and Woodville's excellent digest of Medical Botany; to Linnæus's, Aitons, and Withering's Botanical Treasures, and to Bergmann's, and Scheele's admirable Chemical Works.

It is neceffary to remark, that an account is alfo given of the nature, qualities, and dofes of each fimple drug; either agreeable to the order in which the article first prefents itself, or of the compound in which it is an ingredient; to each of which proper references are made : that the dofes are meant for Adults, except when particularly expressed to the contrary; and that about an eighth part of most of the mean quantities may be given to a child of two years old; a fixth to one of four; a fourth from four to eight; one balf from eight to fourteen, and t-wothirds to one of eighteen. At the fame time it should be understood, that medicines, in general, ought be adminiftered according to the nature and state of the difease, of the conflitution, and of their confequents; that those which contain an acrid, or narcotic quality, not admitting of an abfolute regulation, fhould be given at first, in the fmalleft dofes, and with the greateft caution, gradually increasing them according to their effect; and that, under fuch circumftances, it is more particularly necessary to be guided by obfervation and experience.

After having fulfilled the foregoing intentions, and claffed the fumples with the effential characters, according to the Linnæan fyftem, it was thought proper to take fome notice of the feveral articles in the Materia Medica, which are not made ufe of in the compositions; yet upon feeing Dr. Woodville's Medical Botany, which is now publishing in monthly numbers, the author of this work work is convinced, that most of what he has deferibed in that line, will be of little moment to those who may choose to prosit by that useful work.

In the introductory difcourfe to a valuable collection of papers, lately published, under the title of Linnæan Transactions, p. 53, it is observed by the ingenious Dr. Smith, "That whatever we may think of the System of Linnæus (particularly of vegetables) there are certain great principles laid down by him, the excellence of which is now fo well known, and fo generally admitted, that no one who pretends to the name of a Naturalist, can avoid conforming to them."

There being at this time no regular arrangement of foffils, or minerals, no material objection can be made to their being placed, with a few other fimples, in alphabetical order, according to their common titles : and in the prefent unfettled ftate of chemiftry, there needs no apology for omitting the ingenious, yet vifionary plans, and complicated principles of the antiphlogiftic code ; for, as Mr. Keir has very juftly remarked, "Theory is the language of a fect." "Chemiftry has not yet attained the language of a fyftem ; it is a mere dictionary collection of facts."

Tables of Attractions are formed to fhew the fixed rules by which different fubftances act upon one another, and ferve to explain the nature of composition and decompofition, or the union and feparation of the different parts of bodies, which are brought about either by the force of heat, or by being diffolved in fome kind of menftruum. It is therefore neceffary, towards attaining the knowledge of pharmaceutic chemistry, to be acquainted with those principles of action, which are feldom known to vary, except

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except from fome difference in the degree of heat employed, or in cafes where earths and metals are precipitated by alkalies, and metals by earths.

To inveftigate the affinities of the fubftances with which the preparations of the London Pharmacopœia are compounded, there is no need of purfuing the feries to its greateft extent. The following table of *fingle elective attractions* therefore is offered for that purpofe, and it may ferve as an introduction to the fludy of that ufeful part of medical knowledge : but for a further infight, the books already mentioned muft be referred to.

It is neceffary to obferve, that the fubftance named at the top of each column above the crofs line, has the ftrongeft affinity with the first article underneath it; not fo much with the next, and lefs and lefs in regular feries. Suppofe, for inflance, the *vitriolie acid* to be engaged with the *vegetable alkali*, by adding the *ponderous earth*, the acid will quit the alkali, and unite with the earth, i. e. the nearest in order to the uppermost fubject, will difengage the more diftant.

There is alfo a more complicated procefs of this kind, which is called *double elective attraction*, namely, when . two compounds are decomposed, and two new ones are formed from them; which is the cafe in obtaining magnefia, as mentioned under that article. It will be found then, that every chemical composition and decomposition, is produced by either *fingle*, or *double elective attraction*.

		Vegetable Mineral Volatile	Vitriolic Sacial Nitrous Muniatic Sacial Muniatic Acid of Tartar, Amber, Lemons, Vincgar, Bo- rax Acrial Acid Witter Uncture Oils Sulpher Liteallic Calces	Phofphoric Acid Acid of Borax Acid of Artenic Virriolic Acid, &c. a9 in the order above.
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	Calx of Zinc.	Vitriolac Acid Muriatic Acid Nitrous Acid Acid of Tattar Acetous Acid Acid of Borax Acrial Acid	of Silver.	Muriatic Acid Vituiolic Acid Nitrious Acid Acid of Tartar, &c.	Water.	Vegetable Alkali <sup>4</sup> . Mineral Alkali Volatile Alkali Alkohol.	Vide Bergmann's Tables
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# MATERIA MEDICA.

### **REGNUM ANIMALE.**

#### CLASSIS I.

### MAMMALIA.

#### GLIS.

Pharmacopeia. in folliculo prope anum sito collecta. Russian Castor.

Linnæi Syftema Naturæ. Castoreum russicum, materia Castor Fiber cauda ovata plana calva.

#### PECORA.

Moschus, materia in folli- Moschus moschiferus folliculo umbilicali. culo prope umbilicum sito collecta. Mulk. Cervus, cornu. Hartshorn. Cervus Elaphus, cornibus ramofis totis teretibus recurvatis. Ovis, fevum. Sheep's Suet.

Ovis Aries cornibus compreffis lunatis.

#### BELLUA.

Sus, adeps. Hog's Lard.

Sus Scrofa dorfo anticè fetofo, cauda pilofa.

CETE.

#### CETE.

Sperma Ceti. Spermaceti. Phyfeter macrocephalus, et eius varietates.

Icthyocolla. Ifinglas. Acta Philofophica Londinenfia, 1773.

Acipenfer, Huf, Gadus, &c. et ex partibus piscium membranofis.

### CLASS. II. AVIS.

#### GALLINA.

Ovum. Egg.

Gallina domestica.

### CLASS. V. INSECTA.

#### COLEOPTERA.

Lin. Syft. ed. 14.

Canthăris. Spanish Fly. Lytta vesicatoria viridis antennis nigris.

#### HEMIPTERA.

Coccinella. Cochineal.

Coccus Calli, Calti coccinelliferi.

#### HYMENOPTERA.

Apis, micl. Honey.

Apis mellifera pubefcens, thorace subgriseo, abdomine fusco, tibiis posticis ciliatis; intus tranfverfè striatis.

#### APTERA.

Millepeda. Woodloufe.	Onifcus Afellus ovalis, cauda obtuía, ftylis fimplicibus.
Cancer, chelæ. Crab's claws.	Cancer Pagurus brachiatus, thorace utrinque obtufe novemplicato, manibus apice atris. MOLUSCA.

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### MOLUSCA.

Oyfter-shell.

Ostrea, testa.

Oftrea edulis tefta inæquivalva femiorbiculata, membranis imbricatis undulatis: valvula altera plana integerrima.

### VERMES.

#### ZOOPHYTA.

Corallium rubrum. Red Coral. Ifis *nobilis* ftirpe corrallina æquali continua, ftriis obfoletis obliquis, ramis vagis

Spongia. Sponge.

Spongia *officinalis* foraminulata fubramofa difformis tenax tomentofa.

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### **REGNUM VEGETABILE.**

#### CLASSIS I.

### MONANDRIA.

Pharmacopeia.	MON	OGYNIA.	Plantarum.		
Zingiber, radix.	Ginger.	Amōmum	Zingiber	бсаро	

Cardamomum minus, *femen*. Le/fer Cardamon.

Curcuma, radix. Turmeric.

Zedoāria, radix. Zedoary.

Amōmum Zingiber fcapo nudo, fpica ovata.

Amōmum *Cardamomum* fcapo fimplicifiimo breviflimo, bracteis alternis laxis.

Curcuma *longa* foliis lanceolatis; nervis lateralibus numerofidfimis.

Kæmpfēria *rotunda* foliis lanceolatis petiolatis.

### CLASS. II. DIANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Olīva, fructus, et ejus oleum. Olive.

Beccabunga, berba. Brocklime.

Gratiŏla, berba. Hedge Kyfop.

Rof-marinus, cacumen, flos. Rofemary. Olea Europæa foliis lanceolatis.

Veronica Beccabunga racemis lateralibus, foliis ovatis planis, caule repente.

Gratiola *officinalis* floribus pedunculatis, foliis lanceolatis ferratius.

Rofmarinus officinalis, corella inæqualis: labio fuperiore bipartito. Filamenta longa, curva, fimplicia cum dente. Eff. Gen. Ch. Salvia,

Salvia, folium. Sage.

Salvia officinalis foliis lanceolata-ovatis integris crenulatis, floribus fpicatis, calycibus acutis.

#### TRIGYNIA.

Piper nigrum, bacca. Black Pepper.

Piper longum, fructus. "Long Pepper. Cubēba, Cubeb.

Lin. Suplementum Plant.

#### Piper *nigrum*, foliis ovatis fubfeptemnerviis glabris, petiolis fimpliciffimis.

Piper *longum* foliis cordatis petiolatis feffilibulque.

Piper Cubeba foliis obliqueovatis S. oblongis venofis acutis; fpica folitaria pedunculata oppofitifolia, fructibus pedicellatis.

### CLASS. III. TRIANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Valeriāna fylvestris, radix. Wild Valerian.

Tamarindus, fructus, Tamarind.

Crocus, floris stigma. Safiron. Lin. Systema Vegetabile. Iris, radix. Florentine Orris. Valeriana *officinalis* floribus triandris, foliis omnibus pinnatis.

Tamarindus Indica.

Crocus officinalis autumnalis foliis angustioribus margine revolutis.

Iris *forentina* corollis barbatis, caule foliis altiore fubbifloro, fioribus feffilibus.

#### DIGYNIA.

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Saccharum.

Sugar.

### Saccharum officinarum, fioribus paniculatis, foliis planis. Lin. Syft. Veg. Avēna,

Avena, Semen. the Oat.

Horděum, *femen*, *perlatum*. Barley and Pearl-Barley.

Tritĭcum, farina, amylum. Wheat Flour and Starch.

- Avena *fativa* paniculata, calycibus dispermis feminibus lævibus; altero aristato. Lin. Syst. Veg.
- Hordeum *diffichon* flofculis lateralibus mafculis muticis; feminibus angularibus imbricatis.
- Triticum hybernum calycibus quadrifloris ventricofis lævibus imbricatis fubmuticis.

### CLASS. IV. TETRANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Rubia, radix. Madder.

Sarcocolla, gummi-refina. Sarcocol. Lin. Syft. Veg. Contrayerva, radix. Contrayerva.

Lin. Syft. Veg.

Rubia *tinctorum* foliis annuis, caule aculeato.

Lin. Syft. Veg.

Penæa Sarcocolla foliis ovatis planis, calycibus ciliatis folio majoribus.

Dorftenia *Contrajerva* acaulis, foliis pinnatifido-palmatis ferratis, receptaculis quadrangulis.

### CLASS. V. PENTANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Trifolium paludofum, berba. Buckbean. Spigēlia, radix. Indian Pink.

Menyanthes trifoliata, foliis ternatis.

Spigelia *merilandica* cauler tetragono, foliis omnibus appofitis. Lin. Syft. Veg. .

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Scammonium, gummi-refina. Scammony.

Jalapium, radix. Jalap.

Cinchōna, cortex. vulgo, Cortex Peruvianus. Cinchona, or Peruvian Bark.

Cinchona rubra. Red Bark.

Ipecacuanha, radix. Ipecacuanha.

Lin. Sup. Plant. et Syft. Veg.

Nicotiana, folium. Tobacco.

Piper Indicum, fruelus. Indian Pepper. vulgo, Cayenne.

Spina cervīna, bacca. Buckthorn Berry.

Ribes rubrum, fructus. Red Currant.

- Convolvulus Scammonia foliis fagittatis pofticè truncatis, pedunculis teretibus fubtrifoliis.
- Convolvulus Jalapa foliis difformibus cordatis angulatis oblongis lanceolatifque, caule volubili, pedunculis unifloris. Lin. Syft. Veg.
- Cinchona *officinalis* foliis ellipticis fubtus pubefcentibus, corallæ limbo lanato. Lin, Syft. Veg.

Species adhuc ignota.

- Pfychotria *emetica* herbacea procumbens, foliis lanceolatis glabris, ftipulis extrafoliaceis fubulatis, capitulis axillaribus pedunculatis paucifloris.
- Nicotiana *Tabacum* foliis lanceolata - ovatis feffilibus decurrentibus, floribus acutis.
- Capficum annuum caule herbacceo, pedunculis folitariis cum aliis. Hortus Kewenfis Aitoni.

Rhamnus catharticus fpinis terminalibus, floribus quadrifidis dioicis, foliis ovatis, caule erecto. Lin. Syft. Veg.

Ribes *rubrum* inerme, racemis glabris pendulis, floribus planiufculis.

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Ribes

Ribes nigrum, fructus. Black Currant.

- Ribes *nigrum* inerme, racemis pilofis, floribus oblongis.
- Vitis, Uva paffa, Vinum, Tartarum, Acetum. The Vine. Raifin, Wine, Tartar, Vinegar.
- Vitis *vinifera* foliis lobatis finuatis nudis.

#### DIGYNIA.

Barilla, Soda, vel Kali. Barilla, or Impure Natron.

Ulmus, cortex interior. Elm, the interior bark.

Gentiana, radix. Gentian.

Centaurium minus, cacumen. Smaller Centaury. Curt. Flor. Lond.

Eryngium, radix. Eringo.

Daucus fylvestris, Jemen. Wild Carrot.

Cicuta, berba, flos, femen, radix. Hemlock.

Affafætida, gummi-refina. Afafætida.

Angelica, caulis, folium, Jenuen. Angelica. Salfolœ tres fpecies, viz. Soda, Kali et *fativa*. Lin. Syft. Veg.

- Ulmus campestris foliis duplicato-ferratis basi inæqualibus.
- Gentiana *lutea* corollis fubquinquefidis rotatis verticellatis, calycibus fpathaceis.
- Gentiana *Centaurium* corollis quinquefidis infundibuliformibus, caule dichotomo.

Chironia Curtis.

- Eryngium maritimum, foliis radicalibus fubrotundis plicatis fpinofis, capitulis pedunculatis.
- Daucus *Carcta* feminibus hifpidis, pețiolis fubtus nervofis.
- Conium *maculatum* feminibus ftriatis.

Ferula *Affa fœtida* foliis alternatim finuatis obtufis.

Angelica Arebangelica folio impari lobato.

Galbanum,

Galbanum, gummi-refina. Galbanum.

- Sium, berba. Water Parfnip.
- Coriandrum, Jemen. Coriander Seed.
- Cuminum, Jemen. Cummin Seed:
- Opopănax, gummi-refina. Opopanax.

Anethum, femen. Dill Seed. Fæniculum dulce, femen. Fennel Seed. Carŭon, femen. Carraway.

Anīfum, femen. Anifeed.

Petrofelīnum, femen. Parfley.

- Bubon Galbanum foliis ovato-cuneiformibus acutis argutè ferratis, umbellis paucis, feminibus glabris, caule pubefcente glauco. Hort. Kewens.
- Sium *nodiflorum* foliis pinnatis, umbellis axillaribus feffilibus.
- Coriandrum *fativum* fructibus globofis.
- Cuminum Cyminum, in Æthiopia.
- Paftinaca Opopanax foliis pinnatis, foliolis bafi antice-excifis. Lin. Syft.Veg.
- Anethum graveolens fructibus ovatis.
- Anethum Faniculum fructibus ovatis.
- Carum Carui, fruetus ovatooblongus, ftriatus. Invol. 1. phyllum. Petala carinata inflexo-emarginata. Eff. Gen. Ch.
- Pimpinella Anifum foliis radicalibus trifidis incifis.
- Apium *Petrofelinum* foliolis caulinis linearibus involucellis minutis.

#### TRIGYNIA.

Sambūcus, cortex interior, flos, bacca. Elder. Sambucus *nigra* cymis quinque-partitis, caule arboreo.

PENTAGY-

#### PENTAGYNIA.

Flax, or

Linum, femen. Linfeed. Linum *ufitatiffimum* calycibus capfulifque mucronatis, petalis crenatis, foliis lanceolatis alternis, caule fubfolitario.

### CLASS. VI. HEXANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Allium, radix. Garlic.

Scilla, radix. Squill.

Aloes, fuccus spiffatus. Barbadoes and Socotrine Aloes.

Calamus Aromaticus, radix. Sweet Flag.

Sanguis Draconis, refina. Dragon's Blood.

- Allium *fativum* caule planifolio bulbifero, bulbo compofito, ftaminibus tricufpidatis.
- Scilla *maritima* nudiflora bracteis refractis. Lin. Syft.Veg. Radice rubra et alba. Hort. Kew.

Aloë *perfoliata* forfan ex numerofis hujus fpeciei varietatibus. Hort.Kew.

- Acorus *Calamus* fcapi nucrone longiffimè foliaceo. Hort. Kew.
- Calamus *Rotang*. Ex variis arborum fpeciebus colligitur. Lin. Sup. Plant.

#### TRIGYNIA.

Acetofa pratenfis, felium. Meadow Sorrel.

Colchicum, radix, recens. Meadow Saffron.

- Rumex Acetofa fioribus dioicis, foliis oblongis fagittatis.
- Colchicum *autumnale* foliis planis lanceolatis erectis.

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### CLASS. VIII. OCTANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Elemi, refina. Elemi.

Mezereum, cortex radicis. Mezereon, or Spurge Olive. Amyris *Elemifera* foliis ternatis acutis, quinato-pinnatifque fubtus tomentofis. Lin. Syft. Veg.

Daphne Mezereum floribus fessilibus ternis caulinis, foliis lanceolatis deciduis.

#### TRIGYNIA.

Bistorta, radix. Bistort.

Polygonum *Biftorta* caule fimpliciffimo monoftachyo, foliis ovatis in petiolum decurrentibus.

### CLASS. IX. ENNEANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Cinnamōmum, cortex. Cinnamon.

Camphora. Camphor.

Laurus, folium, bacca. Bay Leaf and Berry.

Saffáfras. Saffafras. Lignum, radix, ejufque cortex. Laurus *Cinnamomum* foliis trinerviis ovato-oblongis nervis verfus apicem evanefcentibus.

Laurus Camphora foliis triplinerviis lanceolato-ovatis. Arbor Camphoræ, Miller. Act. Phil. Lond. Tom. 68. p. 1.

Laurus *nobilis* folus venofic lanceolatis perennantibus, floribus quadrifidis dioicis.

TRIGYNIA

Laurus Saffafras foliis integris trilobifque.

#### TRIGYNIA.

Rhabarbărum Turcicum, radix. Turkey Rhubarb. Rheum *palmatum* foliis palmatis acuminatis.

Rhabarbarum Chinenfe, radix. Chinefe Rhubarb.

Rheum *undulatum* foliis fubvillofis undulatis, finubafeo dilatato, petiolis fupra planis, margine acuto. Hort. Kew.

### CLASS. X. DECANDRIA.

### MONOGYNIA.

Senna, folium. Senna.

Caffia fiftularis, fructus. Cane, or Piped Caffia.

Guaiacum, lignum, cortex, gum-refina. Guaiacum. Ruta, folium. Rue.

Balfamum Tolutanum. Balfam of Tolu.

Balfämum Peruvianum. Balfam of Peru.

Lignum Campechianum, vel Hœmatoxylum. Logwood. Caffia Sinna foliis fejugis fubovatis.

Caffia *Fifula* foliis quinquejugis ovatis acuminatis glabris, petiolis eglandulatis.

Guaiacum officinale foliolis bijugis obtufis.

Ruta graveolens foliis decompositis, petalis laceris, floribus lateralibus quadrifidis.

Toluifera Balfamum. Lin. Syft. Veg. ed. 13.

Myroxylon Peruiferum. Lin. Sup. Plant.

IIœmatoxylum Campechianum fpinefum foliis pinnatis, racemis terminalibus. Browne Jamaic.

Quaffia,

Quaffia, lignum, radix, et cortex. Quaffia.

Lin. Syft. Veg.

Simarouba, cortex.

### Lin. Syft. Veg.

Balfamum Copaiva. Balfam of Copaiva.

Uva Urfi, folium. Bear's Whortleberry.

Styrax, refina. Storax.

Benzöe, refina. Benzoin, or Benjamin.

- Quaffia *amara* floribus hermaphroditis, foliis impariparatis foliolis oppofitis feffilibus, petiolo articulato alato, floribus racemofis.
- Quaflia *Simaruba* floribus monoicis, foliis abruptè pinnatis, foliolis alternis fubpetiolatis, petiolo nudo, floribus paniculatis.
- Copaifera *officinalis*. Lin. Syft.Veg. ed. 13, et Hort. Kew.
- Arbūtus Uva Urfi caulibus procumbentibus, foliis integerrimis.
- Styrax *officinalis* foliis ovatis fubtus villofis, racemis fimplicibus folio brevioribus. Hort. Kew.
- Styrax *Benzein* foliis oblongis acuminatis fubtus tomentofis, racemis compofitis longitudine foliorum. Act. Phil. Lond. tom. 77.

### DIGYNIA.

Caryophyllum, rubrum, flos. Clove July-flower. Dianthus *Caryophyllus* floribus folitariis, fquamis calycinis fubovatis breviflimis, corollis crenatis.

### CLASS. XI. DODECANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Afarum, folium. Afarabacca. Afarum Europoum foliis reniformibus obtufis binis. Canella

- Canella alba, cortex. Lin. Soc. Tranf. tom. 1. tab. 8.
- Anctores Corticem Winteranum a Canèlla Albahodiè diftinguunt.

Canella alba foliis oblongis obtusis nitidisque.

Lin. Syft. Veg.

Floribus paniculatis glabris laciniis linearibus tubo longioribus, staminibus exfertis, foliis ellipticis glabris. Act. Phil. Lond. tom. 84. tab. 19.

### CLASS. XII. ICOSANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Pimento, bacca. Pimento, or Allspice.

Granatum, floris petalum.

Amygdăla amara et dulcis,

Prunus gallica, fructus.

Prunus fylveftris, fructus.

The Prune.

The Sloe.

nucleus. Bitter and Sweet

tus, cortex.

Almond.

Balauftium dictum, fruc-

Myrtus Pimenta foliis oblongis lanceolatis acuminatis, acumine obtufo.

Hort. Kew.

- Punica Granatum foliis lanceolatis, caule arboreo.
- Amygdalus communis foliis ferraturis infimis glandulofis, floribus festilibus geminis. Lin. Syft. Veg. dulcis & amara Hort. Kew.
- Prunus domestica pedunculis fubfolitariis, foliis lanceolato-ovatis convolutis, ramis muticis.

Prunus spinosa pedunculis folitariis, foliis lanceolatis glabris, ramis fpinofis.

#### PENTAGYNIA.

Cydonia, Malus, fructus, ejuque femen. The Quince. Pyrus Cydonia foliis integer-rinnis, floribus folitariis.

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#### POLYGYNIA.

- Rofa rubra, petalum. Red Rofe.
- Rosa damascēna, petalum. Damask Rose.

Cynolbătus, fructus. · Hip, or Dog Rofe.

Rubus idœus, fructus. Ra/pberry.

Tormentilla, radix. Tormentil.

Pentaphyllum, radix. Cinquefoil.

- Rofa gallica germinibus ovatis pedunculifque hifpidis, caule petiolifque hifpidoaculeatis. Hort. Kew.
- Rofa damafcena calycibus femipinnatis, germinibus ovatis turgidis pedunculifque hifpidis, caule petiolifque aculeatis, foliis ovatis acuminatis fubtus villofis. Hort. Kew.
- Rofa *canina* germinibus ovatis, pedunculifque glabris, caule petiolifque aculeatis.
- Rubus *idæus* foliis quinatopinnatis ternatifque, caule aculeato, petiolis caniculatis.
  - Tormentilla *erecta* caule erectiufculo, foliis feffilibus.
  - Potentilla *reptans* foliis digitatis, caule repente, pedunculis unifloris.

### CLASS. XIII. POLYANDRIA.

#### MONOGYNIA.

Papāver album, caput feu capfula. White Poppy.

- Papāver erraticum, flos. Red Poppy.
- Papaver *fomniferum* calycibus capfulifque glabris, foliis amplexicaulibus incifis.
- Papaver *Rhæas* capfulis glabris globofis (potius ovatis) caule pilofo multifloro, foliis pinnatifidis incifis.

Caryo-

Caryophyllus aromaticus, flos cum pericarpio immaturo. The Clove.

Ladanum, refina. Ladanum.

- Caryophyllus aromaticus foliis fubfeffilibus acutis.
- Ciftus *creticus* arborefcens exftipulatus, foliis spatulato-ovatispetiolatis enerviis.

#### TRIGYNIA.

Aconitum, herba Monk'shood.

Staphifagria, *Jemen*. Stavefacre. Aconitum Napellus foliorum laciniis linearibus fupernè latioribus linea exaratis.

#### Delphinum Staphifagria nectariis diphyllis petalo brevioribus, foliis palmatis lobis obtufis.

#### POLYGYNIA,

Hellebörus niger, vel Melampodium, *radix*. *Black Hellebore*. Helleborafter, *folium*.

Bear's-foot.

- Helleborus *niger* fcapo fubunifloro fubnudo, foliis pedatis.
- Helleborus *fatidus* caule multifloro foliofo, foliis pedatis.

### CLASS. XIV. DIDYNAMIA.

#### GYMNOSPERMIA.

Marum Syriacum, herba. Syrian Herb Maßliche. Teucrium Marum foliis integerrimis ovatis acutis, petiolatis fubtus tomentofis, floribus racemofis fecundis.

> Lin. Syft. Veg. Scordĭum,

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Scordĭum, berba. Scordium, or Water Germander.

Lavendŭla, flss. Lavender.

- Mentha piperītis, *bcr.ba*. *Peppermint*.
- Mentha fativa. Spearmint. berba.

Pulegium, berba, flos. Pennyroyal.

- Marrubium album, bcrba. White Horebound.
- Origănum, herba. Wild Marjoram.
- Majorāna, herba. Swcet Marjoram.

Melissa, bcrba. Balm.

- Teucrium Scordium foliis oblongis feffilibus dentato-ferratis, floribus geminis lateralibus pedunculatis, caule diffufo.
- Lavandula Spica foliis lanceolatis integerrimis, fpicis nudis.
- Mentha *piperita* fpicis capitatis, foliis ovatis ferratis petiolatis, ftaminibus corolla brevioribus.
- Mentha *viridis* fpicis oblongis, foliis lanceolatis nudis ferratis feffilibus, ftaminibus corolla longioribus. Lin. Syft. Veg.
- Mentha *Pulegium* floribus verticillatis, foliis ovatis obtufis fubcrenatis, caulibus fubteretibus repentibus, flaminibus corolla longioribus.
- Marrubium *vulgare* dentibus calycinis fetaceis uncinatis.
- Origanum *vulgare* fpicis fubrotundis paniculatis conglomeratis, bracteis calyce longioribus ovatis.
- Origanum Majorana foliis ovalibus obtufis, fpicis fubrotundis compactis pubefcentibus.
- Meliffa *officinalis* racemis axillaribus verticillatis; pedicellis fimplicibus.

#### ANGIOSPERMIA.

Digitālis, berba. Digitalis purpurea calycinis Fox-glove. foliolis ovatis acutis, corollis obtufis; labio fuperiore integro.

### CLASS. XV. TETRADYNAMIA.

#### SILICULOSA.

Garden Scurvygra/s.

Raphanus Rufticanus, radix. Horferadish.

Cochlearia hortenfis, berba. Cochlearia officinalis foliis radicalibus fubrotundis, caulinis oblongis fubfinuatis.

> Cochlearia Armoracia foliis radicalibus lanceolatis crenatis, caulinis incifis.

#### SILIQUOSA.

Nafturtium aquaticum, berba recens. Water-· creffes.

Sinapi, Semen. Mustard. Lyn. Syft. Veg.

Cardamine, flos. Cuckow-Horour, or Lady's Smock.

Sifymbrium Nasturtium filiquis declinatis, foliis pinnatis, foliolis subcordatis.

Sinapis nigra filiquis glabris racemo adpressis.

Cardamine pratenfes foliis pinnatis; soliolis radicalibus fubrotundis, caulinis lanceolatis.

## CLASS. XVI. MONADELPHIA.

### POLYANDRIA.

Althrea, radix. folium. Mer, brallow.

Malva. felium, flos. Mallow.

Althæa officinalis foliis fimplicibus tomentofis.

Malva fylceftris caule erecto herbaceo, foliis feptemlobatis acutis, pedunculis petiolisque pilotis.

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### CLASS. XVII. DIADELPHIA.

#### OCTANDRIA.

Seněka, radix. Rattlefuakeroot.

Polygala fenega floribus imberbibus spicatis, caule erecto herbaceo fimpliciffimo, foliis lato-lanceolatis.

### DECANDRIA.

Genista, cacumen, semen. Broom.

Santalum rubrum, lignum. Red Sanders. Lin. Supp. Pl.

Glycyrrhiza, radix. Liquorice.

Tragacantha Gummi. Gum Tragacanth.

Fœnum græcum, *semen*. Fænugreck.

Spartium scoparium foliis ternatis folitariis, ramis inermibus angulatis.

- Pterocarpus Santelinus foliis ternatis fubrotundis retufis glaberrimis, petalis crenatis, undulatis.
- Glycyrrhiza glabra legu-minibus glabris, flipulis nullis.
- Aftragalus Tragacantha caudice arborescente, petiolis fpinefcentibus.
- Trigonella Fænum græcum leguminibus feffilibus ftrictis erectiufculis fubfalcatis acuminatis, caule erecto.

### CLASS. XVIII. POLYADELPHIA.

#### ICOSANDRIA.

rior, et ejus oleum essentia dittum.

Limon, succus, cortex exte- Citrus medica petiolis linearibus.

Aurantium hispalense, folium, flos, fructus succus, et cortex exterior.

Citrus Aurantium petiolis alatis.

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#### POLYANDRIA.

Hypericum, flos. St. John's Hypericum perforatum flori-Wort. bus trigynis, caule ancipiti, foliis obtufis pellucido punctatis.

### CLASS. XIX. SYNGENESIA.

POLYGAMIA ÆQUALIS.

Taraxacum, radix, berba. Le

Artichoke.

Bardana, radix, berba.

Burdock. Cinara, folium.

- Leontodon *Taraxacum* calyce infernè reflexo, foliis runcinatis denticulatis lævibus.
- Arctium Lappa foliis cordatis inermibus petiolatis.
- Cynara Scolymus foliis fubfpinofis pinnatis indivififque, calycinis fquamis ovatis.

#### POLYGAMIA SUPERFLUA.

Tana	icētum	1 flos,	berba.	
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Abro	otŏnur	n, foli	ium.	
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Santonïcum, *femen, vel cacumen. Worm-feed.* Lin. Syft. Veg. et Mant.

Abfinthium maritimum. cacumen. Sea-Wormwood.

#### Abfinthium vulgare, herba. Common Wormwood.

- Tanacetum *vulgare* foliis bipinnatis inciús ferratis.
- Artemifia *Abrotonum* foliis ramocifinis fetaceis, caule erecto fuffruticolo.
- Artemifia *judaica* fruticofa foliis fubovatis obtufis lobatis, parvis floribus paniculatis pedicellatis.
- Artemifia *maritima* foliis multipartitis tomentofis, racemis cernuis, flofculis femineis ternis.

Artemifia Abfinthium foliis, compofitis multifidis. floribus fubglobofis pendulis: receptaculo villofo. Tufilago,

Tuffilago, herba. Colt's-foot.

Enŭla campana, radix. Elecampane.

Arnica, flos, herba, radix. Leopard's-bane.

Chamœmēlum, flos fimplex. Chamomile.

Pyrēthrum, radix. Pellitory of Spain.

- Tuffilago Farfara fcapo imbricato unifloro, foliis fubcordatis angulatis denticulatis.
- Inula *Helenium* foliis amplexicaulibus ovatis rugofis, fubtus tomentofis, calycum fquamis ovatis.
- Arnica *montana* foliis ovatis integris; caulinis geminis oppositis.
- Anthemis nobilis foliis pinnato-compositislinearibus acutis fubvillosis.
- Anthemis *Pyretbrum* caulibus fimplicibus unifloris decumbentibus, foliis pinnato-multifidis.

#### POLYGAMIA FRUSTANEA.

Carduus benedictus, herba. Bleffed Thiftle. Centaurea *benedic1a* calycibus duplicato fpinofis lanatis involucratis, foliis femidecurrentibus denticulato-fpinofis.

#### MONOGAMIA.

Viŏla, flos, recens. Viclet. Sweet Viola odorata acaulis, foliis cordatis, ftolonibus reptantibus.

### CLASS. XX. GYNANDRIA.

#### HEXANDRIA.

Serpentaria Virginiana, radix, Virginian Snakeroot.

Aristolochia Serpentaria foliis cordato-oblongis planis, caulibus infirmis flexuosis teretibus, floribus folitariis.

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#### POLYANDRIA.

Arum, radix, recens. Cuckow-pint. Arum *maculatum* acaule, foliis haftatis integerrimis, fpadice clavato.

### CLASS. XXI. MONŒCIA.

#### MONANDRIA.

Myriftica. Nux Moschata, fructus, nucleus, et integumentum ejus reticulare, Macis dictum. Nutmeg and Mace. Myriftica officinalis foliis alternis, petiolatis ovatis acutis venofis glabris integerrimis fubtus albidis: fructu pyriformi glabro. Lin. Suppl. Plant.

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#### TETRANDRIA.

 Urtīca, berba. Stinging Nettle
Morus, fructus. The Mulberry.
Urtica divica foliis oppofitis cordatis, racemis geminis.
Morus nigra foliis cordatiş fcabris.

#### POLYANDRIA.

The Oak.

Quercus, cortex.

Quercus *Robur* foliis deciduis oblongis fupernè latioribus, finubus acutioribus, angulis obtufis.

Juglans, fructus immaturus. The Walnut. Juglans *regia* foliolis ovalibus glabris fubferratis fubæqualibus.

#### MONADELPHIA.

Terebinthĭna vulgaris. Common Turpentine. Balfămum Canadenfe. Canada Balfam. Pinus, species variæ.

Pinus *Balfamea* foliis folitariis fubemarginatis; fubtus linea duplici punctata.

Cafca-

### MATERIA MEDICA.

Cafcarilla, cortex. Cafcarilla.

Ricinus, seminis oleum. . Palma Chrifii.

Croton lineare foliis linearibus integerrimis obtufis fubtus tomentofis, caule fruticofo. Hort. Kew.

Ricinus communis foliis peltatis fubpalmatis ferratis.

### SYNGENESIA.

spissatus fructus recentis. Wild Cucumber. Elaterium.

dulla.

Cucumis agrefiis, fuccus in- Momordica Elaterium pomis hifpidis, cirrhis nullis.

Colocynthis, fructus. Me- Cucumis Colocvathis foliis multifidis, pomis globofis glabris.

# CLASS. XXII. DIOECIA

# PENTANDRIA.

Terebinthina Chia. Chio Turpentine.

Pistacia Terchinthus foliis impari pinnatis : foliolis ovato-lanceolatis.

Mastiche, refina.

Pistacia Lentiscus foliis abrupte pinnatis; foliolis lanceolatis.

### HEXANDRIA.

Sarfaparilla, radix. Sar-Japarilla.

Smilax Sarfaparilla caule aculeato-angulato, foliis inermibus ovatis retufomucronatis trinerviis.

#### MONADELPHIA.

Juniperus,	bacca,	cacumen.	Juniperus communis foliis ter-
Juniper.			nis patentibus mucrona-
			tis bacca longioribus

Olibanum gummi refina. Olibarum.

Juniperus Lycia foliis ternis

undique imbricatis ovatis obtufis.

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Sabīna.

Sabīna, folium. Savin.

Pareira brava, radix.

Juniperus Sabina foliis oppositis erectis decurrentibus oppositionibus pyxidatis.

# CLASS. XXIII. POLYGAMIA. MONOECIA.

Hellebörus albus, radix. White Hellebore.

Parietāria, berba. Pellitory of the Wall.

Gambögia gummi-refina. Gamboge. Mur. Mat. Med. tom. 5.

Arabicum Gummi. Gum Arabic.

Catechu, vulgo, Terra Japonica. *fuccus fpiffatus. Catechu*. commonly called *Japan Earth*.

Lin. Suppl. Plant. Myrrha, gummi-refina. Myrrh.

Manna, Succus Spissatus.

Veratrum *album* racemo fupradecompofito, corollis erectis.

- Parietaria officinalis foliis lanceolato-ovatis pedunculis dichotomis, calycibus dyphillis. Lin. Mat. Med.
- Stalagmitis Cambogioides.— Gambogia Gutta et ex aliis arboribus adhuc ignotis.
- Mimofa *nilotica* fpinis ftipularibus patentibus, foliis bipinnatis partialibus extimis glandula interftinctis, fpicis globofis pedunculatis.
- Mimofa Catechu fpinis ftipularibus, foliis bipinnatis multijugis : glandulis partialium fingulis, fpicis axillaribus geniinis S. ternis pedunculatis.

Mimofœ forfan species.

### DIOECIA.

Fraxing fpecies, forfan Ornus foliolis ferratis floribus corollatis.

Ginfeng.

Ciffampelos *Pareira* foliis peltatis cordatis emarginatis.

### MATERIA MEDICA.

Ginfeng, radix.

Panax quinquefolium foliis ternis quinatis.

#### TRIOECIA.

Ficus, Carica, fructus. Fig. Ficus Carica foliis palmatis.

# CLASS. XXIV. CRYPTOGAMIA.

#### FILICES.

Filix, radix. Fern.

Polypodium Filix mas frondibus bipinnatis: pinnis obtufis crenulatis, stipite paleaceo.

### MEDICAMINA.

Ex Vegetabilibus nobis adhuc ignotis.

Ammoniacum, gummi-refina.

Colomba. radix. Kino, refina. Myrrb. Sagapenum, gummi-refina. Thus, refina. Frankincenfe.

Myrrha, gummi-refina.

# EX MINERALIBUS FOSSILIBUS, ATQUE ALIIS MATERIIS.

Acidum Vitriolicum. Vi-	Borax. Borax.
triolic Acid.	Calx. Quicklime.
Alümen. Alum.	Cera alba et flava. White
Antimonium. Antimony.	and Yellow Wax.
Argentum. Silver.	Cineres Clavellati. Pot or
Barilla. Barilla.	Pearl Ajhes.
Bolus Gallicus. French Bole.	Creta, Chalk.
	Cuprum

### MATERIA MEDICA.

Sacchărum purificatum ---Cuprum. Copper. Refined Sugar. Ærugo. Verdigris. Sal Ammoniacus. Sal Am-Vitriŏlum cœruleum. Blue moniac. Vitriol. Sal Muriaticus. Sea Salt. Ferrum, Iron. Sapo. Soap. Galla. The Gall. Spiritus vinofus rectificatus. Hydrargyrus. Quickfilver. Rectified Spirit of Wine. Magnefia Vitriolata. Bit-Spiritus viuofus tenuior .---purging Salt. Proof Spirit. Nitrum. Nitre. Stannum. Tin. Opium. Opium. Succinum. Umber. Ovum. Egg. Sulphur. Sulphur. Petroleum., or Sulphuris Flores. Flowers Rock Oil. of Sulphur. Pix Burgundica. Burgundy Zincum. Zinc. Pitch. Lapis Calamināris. Cala-Pix liquida. Tar. mine. Plumbum. Lead. Tutiæ. Tutty. Cerussa.' Cerusse. Vitriŏlum Album. White Lithargyrus. Litharge. Vitriol. Minum. Red Lead. Quæ post partem sequentem Saccharum non purificaex ordine funt notata. tum. Soft Sugar.

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### PRÆPARATA VARII GENERIS.

# PREPARATIONS

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# VARIOUS KINDS.

THE preparation of earthy and other pulverable fubftances, which are not foluble in water, is no more than the fimple reduction of them into an impalpable, powder. The following are particularly noticed:

Antimonium—*Antimony*; for which, vide Præparata; ex Antimonio.

Cancrorum Chelæ—*Crab's-claws*. The black tip of, the claws of the *Cancer Pagurus*, or the common fea crab, is the part in ufe, and which is ranked in the clafs of abforbents. Dr. Lewis has obferved, that this powder, being prepared from a calcareous animal earth, contains a glutinous quality; which renders it apt to concrete with the mucous fubfrance ufually lodged in the first passages.

Corallium Rubrum—*Red Coral.* Coral is chiefly. brought from the Mediterranean. It is a branched cre-, taceous fubfrance, of a red or white colour; grows on rocks covered by the fea, and upon the fhells of fifnes; and is fuppofed to be the habitation and production of the marine polypi. Fifnermen are employed to entangle it with ftrong netting, and drag it forcibly from the rocks.

#### PRÆPARATA

Creta—*Chalk*, is an alkaline abforbent earth, entirely foluble in vinegar and other vegetable acids, and is reducible to lime by the force of fire. Its aftringent quality is rather doubtful, and it is at this time principally used as an abforbent or antacid. This and the testaceous powders are ordered for fuch purposes, in doses from 10 to 30 gr.

Oftreorum Teftæ—Oyfter-fhells. The prepared fhell is alfo ufed as an abforbent. Thefe fhells calcined form a ftrong quick lime, which is found to impregnate water in a much greater degree than any other lime; it is therefore preferred for compounding of lime water.

Lapis Calaminaris—*Calamine*, is the native ore of Zinc, and is found in England, Germany, and other countries, either in diffinct mines, or mixed with the ores of lead, iron, and other minerals. It is a calciform fort of ftone or mineral, of a greyifh brown colour, inclining to a yellow or reddifh caft, and in its crude ftate contains fulphureous and fometimes arfenical matter; to diffipate which, it is generally roafted or calcined previous to its being ufed for medical purpofes. When finely lævigated, it is employed in lotions for fore eyes and eye-lids, and is the bafis of a famous epulotic. Vide Zincum Vitriolatum.

Succinum—Amber, is a brittle bituminous fubftance of the foffil kind, either opake or transparent, and of a white or brownish colour. It is found on, or floating near, the fea coast in the East Indies, and Prussian Pomerania, in which province it is dug out of the earth. Amber is foluble in vitriolic acid; and is compounded of phlogiston, a volatile acid falt, bituminous oil, and a small portion of phlegm. It is of little use in its simple state. Vide Ol. Succin. Rectif. Tutia Tutia—*Tutty*, is an argillaceous ore of Zinc, found in Egypt and Perfia, and formed, by means of cylindrical moulds, into tubular pieces, which are hardened by heat. Thefe hollow bodies are fmooth and yellowifh on the infide, and on the outfide ftudded with fmall protuberances, of an afh colour, inclining to a blue. This fubftance, when duly lævigated, is alfo ufed as an opthalmic.

Ærugo Æris—Verdegris, is a metallic falt, artificially formed by the faturation of vinegar with copper. It is prepared in the South of France, by grape ftalks foaked in wine, and laid on plates of copper; which in a few days corrode their furfaces, and produce a blueifh green concrete. It was formerly given for expedition fake, as an emetic in cafes of poifon, in the quantity of 1 or 2gr. and ufed in the Mel. Ægyptiacum, as a detergent; but is now rarely ufed except in procuring the concentrated acid, called Acidum Acetofum.

# ADIPIS SUILI.Æ, SEVIQUE OVILLI PRÆPARATIO.

*Porklard* and *Mutton Sues* are best prepared by melting them over the fire in water; which will prevent the fat from being burnt, and turning black. It should afterwards be kept close from the air.

# AMMONIACI PURIFICATIO.

The Purification of Gum Ammoniacum and other refinous gums, requires no other comment, than that depuration renders a future folution in water more difficult; on which account the pure and unftrained tears are to be preferred.

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#### PRÆPARATA

Ammoniacum is a concrete gum-refinous juice, exuded from a plant growing in the interior parts of Ægypt, and probably of the umbelliferous kind. It is brought to us in lumps, made up with tears or drops of various colours; has a naufeous fweetifh bitter tafte, and a finell fomewhat like that of Galbanum. It is an ufeful deobftruent and expectorant, and is given in fubftance, from 10 to 20gr. or more, repeatedly, in the form of pills; alone, or in composition; but is most frequently prefcribed in folution. Vide Lac. Ammon.

### CORNU CERVI USTIO.

The burning of Hart/horn.—The horn of any kind of deer is now known to poffefs no fingular virtues, and to yield the fame principles, by diftillation, with every other animal fubftance. Calcination deprives it of those principles, and reduces it to an infipid animal earth. Thus prepared, it is commonly given in the form of a Decottion against diarrheas. Quod vide.

# HERBARUM ET FLORUM EXSICCATIO.

The drying of Herbs and Flowers.—Herbs flould be gathered just before the flowers unfold; and in fome plants the flowery tops are preferred. They flould all be dried by the heat of the fun, or of a common fire of equal heat with what the fun affords; but they must not be exposed to the flrong action of the folar light, which will injure both their colour and virtue.

### MELLIS DESPUMATIO.

The clarifying of Honey.—In prefling the honey from the comb, it gathers particles of wax and other impurities, ties, which being lighter than honey, liquified by heat, rife freely to the furface, and may eafily be feparated from it.

Honey is a faccharine mucilaginous vegetable juice, collected by the bees from various flowers, and deposited in the cells of their combs; from which it is extracted. That which flows from them fpontaneoutly is more pure than the expressive of the pectoral kind, and is often employed to unite oils and balfams with aqueous liquors. Taken daily in the quantity of feveral ounces for two or three years, it is faid, to have cured a long-continued afthma. It has also proved ferviceable in lithonthriptic cafes.

#### MILLEPEDÆ PRÆPARATIO.

Præparation of Millepedes.—The virtues of Millepedes, or Woodlice receive no injury from being made pulverable after this manner :—They are prefcribed both frefh and dry, in obftructions of the liver, and fuppreffion of urine : in powder, from a feruple to a dram, and in an expressed Vinous Infusion, the quantity of a wine-glafs full repeatedly. They have also been fwallowed alive in great numbers daily, and for fome time together, but with no great effect; in confequence of which their virtues are much doubted.

### PULPARUM PRÆPARATIO.

Preparation of Pulps.—It may here be observed, that the pulp of Cashia should not be taken from the pod 'till: wanted; and that it may be obtained from the pods in a more pure state, by slitting them, then pushing out the feeds

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feeds together with the cells, and clearing the pulp from the mucilaginous part, by repeatedly washing with warm water. For the nature of the Cassia fiftularis, vide Elect. e Cassia.

### SCILLÆ EXSICCATIO.

The drying of the Squill.-The Squill, or Sea Onion is brought from the fandy fhores of Spain and the Levant. There are two forts of it, one of a reddifh colour, the other white; yet equally efficacious. This root is intenfely bitter, and naufeous to the tafte. It yields the whole of its virtues to aqueous and vinous menstrua, and to vegetable acids; and proves emetic, cathartic, or diuretic, according to the peculiar irritability of the patient's habit, and the measure of the dofe. It is an useful expectorant in hydropic afthma, &c. and is most likely to increafe urinary fecretion, when joined with a gentle opiate and the aromatic powder. The dofe to an adult, may be gradually raifed from 2 to 6gr. of the dried, and from 5 to 20grs. of the fresh root, according to its effect on the flomach and bowels. It is often exhibited with mercurials in dropfies, either as a diuretic, a carthatic, or an alterative. Dr. Cullen thinks the fublimate folution more likely to render it diuretic than calomel, the former being lefs apt to purge. Four gr. of the dried root, is about equal to 20gr. of the fresh.

#### SPONGIÆ USTIO.

The burning of Sponge.—Sponge is found adhering to rocks in the fea, and from its abundant quantity of volatile alkaline falt, is fuppofed, like the corallines, to be of animal origin. The virtues of burnt fponge, feem to depend depend upon a volatile falt, just formed and combined with its own oil, and an earthy matter. It is given in fcrophulous and cutaneous diforders, particularly in the Bronchocele, in which complaint it is administered, by placing half a dram of it, mixed up with a fufficient quantity of honey, under the tongue, and gradually fwallowing it for fix fucceflive nights, giving a purge every eighth day; but it may be more conveniently used in the form of a lozenge, in all fuch cafes. It is also ordered in powder and infusion, as an abforbent, against acidities in the primæ viæ. Burnt sponge rubbed in a brass mortar, is apt to acquire an emetic quality, from its falt eroding the metal.

The dofe of this powder is from 20 to 40gr. or more, twice a day, joined with 2 or 3gr. of powdered rhubarb. To an infant from 5 to 8, with 1gr. of the latter.

### STYRACIS PURIFICATIO.

The Purification of Storax.—Storax is an odoriferous refinous fubftance, exuded from the Styrax tree, a native of Syria, and other eaftern countries. There are three forts of it—the calamita, or cane; the lump, or red; and the common; of which the latter is most in use. The two first are brought to us in lumps of tears, the last in an uniform mass of a fine refinous juice, mixed with faw-dust. The storax totally disfolving in the spirit of wine, may be readily freed from its impurities.

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Conferves are compositions for the prefervation of certain recent vegetables, whose virtues may be injured or D destroyed

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deftroyed by being dried. The acrid bitter of the fquill, and the pungency of the arum, are flightly covered by the mucilaginous quality of the fugar. The confiftence of a conferve renders it much more convenient for reducing ponderous powders into pills, than fyrups, &c. Conferves in general may be taken from 1 to: 3 dr. The dofe of the Conf. Ari, which was much prefcribed by Sydenham, in chronic rheumatifm, is about 1 dr.

Sugar will not incorporate well with the fubject, unlefs it has first been well rubbed into powder, and passed through a fieve.

# CONSERVA LUJULÆ.

Conferve of Wood-forrel has an acidulous grateful flavour, and is used to cool the mouth, fauces, and primæ viæ, in bilious remitting fevers. It is also employed with medicines of the tonic and antifcorbutic tribe.

The wood-forrel, or four trefoil, is a perennial plant, and grows wild in the woods. The leaves are fimilar, in tafte and quality, to those of the common forrel, but are more grateful both to the palate and ftomach.

# CONSERVA ABSINTHII MARITIMI.

ener to the flomach.

The leaves of the fea wormwood are much fmaller than the common fort, and are hoary on both fides; the ftalks are alfo hoary. This plant grows near the fea, is a ftrong bitter, and was formerly much ufed in medicated ales and wines, as a ftomachic and corroborant. It is now chiefly preferibed in diffutient fomentations. Its effential oil has been often given with fuccefs, in the quantity of 2 or 3gtt. made

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made into pills, with the crumb of bread, as a vermifuge; and has been mixed up with a moderate portion of fweet oil, and rubbed into the belly, for the fame purpofe.

### CONSERVA ROSÆ RUBRÆ.

----- of Red Rofe is a pleafant light reftringent, and is much recommended against catarrhous coughs, and phthifical complaints, in doses of a tea-spoonful, or more, mixed up with a cup of warm milk.

There are two forts of rofes used in medicine; the damask, which is an elegant pale flower, of a cordial sweetfcented nature, and rather opening; from which a syrup is made—and the red, the buds of which have a mild aftringent quality, and form this conferve.

# CONSERVA CORTICIS EXTERIORIS AURANTII HISPALENSIS.

——— of the Outer Rind of Seville Orange Peel, is an elegant warm ftomach bitter, and contains all the virtues of the peel. The rind of the orange peel abounds with a fragrant effential oil, which is lodged in the cells of its furface. Vide Tinct. Cort. Aurant.

#### CONSERVA ARI.

of Wake-Robin, or Cuckow-pint.—This is a lowperennial plant, and grows in hedge rows. Its root is thick and roundifh, brown without and white within, with an exceffive pungent acrimonious tafte. This conferve is ftimulant and attenuant, and is extremely well fuited to cold phlegmatic habits. The dofe about a dram.

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## CONSERVA CYNOSBATI.

The conferve is a pleafant cooling reftringent. It was formerly ordered in large dofes to correct acrid bile, fharp urine, and heat in the ftomach; but is now, like most other medicines of this form, principally used as a vehicle to more efficacious remedies.

# CONSERVA PRUNI SYLVESTRIS.

## CONSERVA SCILLÆ.

*of the Squill.*—The mucilaginous quality of the fugar covers the naufeous acrid bitter of the fresh fquill, and preferves its virtues. The dofe of this preparation is from 20 to 40gr. For its nature and virtues vide Scillæ Exficcatio.

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Juices are obtained by expression, and some are afterwards infpissed, by exhaling the more aqueous part over a gentle fire. Expressed juices should be repeatedly set by

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to fettle, and paffed through a firainer; then put into glafs bottles. They may be preferved for fome time by the addition of a little fpirit of wine, and covering the furface with oil.

### SUCCUS COCHLEARIÆ COMPOSITUS.

Compound Juice of Scurwygrafs.—This composition is preferved with difficulty; it is antifcorbutic, gently diuretic, and maintains a laxative habit. The dole from 3 spoonfuls to 402. or more, two or three times a day. It confifts of the following ingredients.

Cochlearia hortenfis.—The Garden or Dutch Scurvy-grafs, is a low plant, with thick juicy fpoon-formed leaves, which when fresh have an unpleasant smell, and a pungent acrid taste. It is a powerful antiseptic, attenuant, and aperient, and is a ferviceable medicine in cachectic habits.

Nafturtium Aquaticum.—The Water-crefs is a juicy plant, and grows wild in clear ftanding waters, and in rivulets. It has brownifh oblong obtufe leaves, which remain green throughout the year; they are moderately pungent to the tafte, and yield a quick penetrating finell. This herb has the fame general virtues with the cochlearia, but is milder in flavour.

*B-cabunga.*—Brooklime or Water Pimpernell, is a low creeping plant, with round reddifh ftalks, and darkfulning green-coloured indented leaves. This alfo grows in rivulets and ditches. The leaves have an herbaceous flight bitterifh tafte, and the juice is rather faponaceous: it feems to be defigned by nature, to fheathe the acrimonious qualities of both the former.

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A native acid of either forrel or orange, is a proper addition to this composition; as it, affords a pleasant quickness to the acrid juices, and determines them to an acescent fermentation.

### SUCCUS BACCÆ SAMBUCI SPISSATUS.

Infpiffated Juice of Elder-berry is a cooling aperient, and when taken freely promotes the natural fecretions. It is recommended in dyfpepfy, and debility of the urinary paffages, in dofes from 1 to 2 or 3dr. The elder tree, its flowers, and fruit or berries, are well known; fo alfo is the plant and fruit of the Currant.

#### SUCCUS RIBIS NIGRI.

*Juice of Black Currant* is fubacid and cooling; boiled up with fugar it makes an excellent jelly, which is much ufed to moiften the mouth and fauces with, in fore throats and fevers.

### · SUCCUS CICUTÆ SPISSATUS.

The infpiffated fuice of Hemlock.—The Conium maculatum of Linnæus, or Greater Hemlock, is a tall umbelliferous plant, with large leaves, of a blackifh green colour on the upper fide, and a lightifh green underneath, and divided into oblong fegments. The *flowers* are white, and have five white-pointed petals. The *flowers* are greenifh, flat on one fide, convex on the other, unequal, with five elevated ftriæ, elegantly indented. The *flalk* rifes to feveral feet, is the thicknefs of a finger—round, hollow, and variegated with ftreaks and fpots of a red or blackifh purple. The *root* is biennial, oblong, about the fize of a moderate parfnip, rather yellowifh without, white and fungous within. The indentation of the elevated ftriæ on the SUCCI.

the feeds, and the ftrong foctid fmell, like that of mice, are the characteristic marks of its nature and the ftrength of its virtues.

Profeffor Murray cautions us against miftaking the Chærophillum bulbofum for the Cicuta, both which have a globofe root, and a fpotted stalk; but the former is fwelled at the fetting on of the branches and leaves, has the leaves at the foot-stalk and fegments and at the inferior part of the corolla, rather downy, and the feeds fmooth and awlslaped.

Dr. Stork has very warmly recommended this medicine in most obstinate complaints; but its great efficacy, when joined with a mercurial alterative, has been more particularly obferved in fcrophulous and fcirrhous diforders; and in hectic complaints, arifing from tubercles in their early stage. The dofe at first, should not be more than 2gr. twice or thrice a day, to be increased gradually, according to its effect on the nervous fystem. Two drams have been given in a day to fome, and continued for feveral weeks, without much fenfible effect on the nerves; whereas others have not been able to proceed further daily, than 6, 8, or 10gr. without head-aches, dizzinefs, stupefaction, and other alarming fymptoms. A cautious ufe therefore, of this and every other virulent plant, is extremely neceffary. To fuch habits as the latter, a fmall portion of the aromatic powder has proved a grateful addition. Mercurials alfo in the alterative stile, feem to counteract the flupefactive quality of this herb. The powdered herb has been fuccefsfully ufed in fmall dofes internally, joined with calomel and the aromatic powder; alfo externally, with linfeed meal, or common white bread, made into a poultice with milk and water, in the propor-

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tion of one-fourth or fixth part of the herb, when applied to indurated tumours in the breaft and other parts. Both thefe means have been fuccefsfully employed in removing obftructions in the membranous part of the urethra, and enlargement of the proftrate gland. It is alfo, in fome cafes, given with advantage, if joined with the Peruvian bark.

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Extracts and Refins confift of those parts of vegetables which are foluble in water and spirit, and are reduced to a thick confistence, by exhalation. Some are fost, and are readily formed into pills; others are hard, and more fit to be rubbed into powder. Those parts of vegetables which abound with effential oils and with refins, and are possible of flavour and aromatic qualities, should be reduced into an extract, with rectified spirit of wine : those in which sweet, glutinous, emollient, bitter, and aftringent qualities refide, are better extracted by means of boiling water. The virtues of others, such as woods, barks, roots, &c. in which the refin is divided by a glutinous matter, are more effectually obtained by a mixture of water and spirit.

• The evaporation is most conveniently and foonest performed in broad shallow vessels, and with a moderate fire; and when the matter begins to grow thick, it should be kept constantly stirring, for fear of empyreuma.

Extracts may be preferved by fprinkling them with fpirit of wine, or by keeping them in oiled bladders.

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### EXTRACTUM CHAMÆMELI.

The Extract of Chamonile. — Chamzemelum, the trailing perennial, or Roman canomile, is found wild in pafture grounds, and is cultivated in gardens for a crop of the flowers. The fingle is efteemed the beft, as its difc, about which the virtues chiefly refide, is larger than that of the double. It has a powerful aromatic fmell, and a bitter naufeous tafte. The flowers powdered have been given up to half a dram or more, repeatedly, with fuccefs, in obftinate intermittents; more particularly when joined with an equal quantity of myrrh.

The extract is fimply bitter, and is a good ftomachic. The dofe is from 10gr. to 40.

# EXTRACTUM CACUMINIS GENISTÆ.

—— of Broom Tops.—Genista or Broom, is a shrubby plant, common on heaths and uncultivated fandy grounds. The leaves, flowers, and feeds are all in use—the tops most fo: they have a bitter nauseous taste. The infusion, decostion, and extract are excellent aperient, diuretic medicines, in hydropic cases; the latter is given to adults, in doses from half a dram to a dram, repeatedly.

Dr. Cullen recommends a decoction made with half an ounce of fresh broom tops, in a pint of water to half a pint—two table-spoonfuls of the strained liquor to be taken every hour or two, till it operates by stool or urme; and to be repeated every, or every other day, accordingly. Some prefer the infusion in the form of tea.

### EXTRACTUM GENTIANÆ.

------ of Gentian.--- The root of this plant is the part used, which is of a light brown colour without, and a yellow yellow or gold colour within. It abounds with a refin and gum intimately mixed, and has a ftrong bitter tafte, which is rendered much more grateful, when covered with the aromatic bitter of the orange peel. The plant is perennial and grows principally on the mountainous parts in Germany.

This preparation is a useful stomach bitter, and is generally exhibited with an aromatic, or some additional power, in the form of pills. The dose from 10 to 30gr.

# EXTRACTUM HELLEBORI NIGRI.

#### EXTRACTUM GLYCYRRHIZÆ.

of Liquerice.— The plant is a native of the fouthern parts of Europe, and is much cultivated in England and other European countries. The root is well known, and abounds with a fweet mucilage, which is ufeful towards blunting the acrimonious fluids, and is employed

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ployed for that purpofe in pectoral infufions and decoctions; alfo to cover the acrid or bitter tafte of other ingredients. The extract is ufed with the fame intent, againft coughs and catarrhous affections, in folution or otherwife; and is faid to have a peculiar property of allaying thirft.

## EXTRACTUM RUTÆ.

*of Rue.*—Rue is a finall furubby plant, growing in most gardens, and holds green all the winter. It has a strong bitterist pungent taste, and a solution disagreeable finell. Its medicinal virtues are stimulating, attenuating, and detergent; and its effential oil is reckoued a vermifuge.

The watery extract contains chiefly its gummous parts, yet more of the aromatic quality than might be fuppofed. The dofe is from 10 to 20gr. or more, repeatedly.

### EXTRACTUM SABINÆ.

of Savin.—The leaves and tops of Savin are the parts in ufe; they have an acrid bitter pungent tafte, and a ftrong difagreeable fmell, and abound in effential oil. It is a warm ftimulant, and, promotes glandular fecretions and uterine difcharges; but fhould only be ufed in relaxed aud phlegmatic habits. The powdered leaf has been given internally from 5 up to 15gr. but is now chiefly ufed as an efcharotic againft venereal warts. Evaporation renders this extract lefs powerful than the powder; the dofe of it therefore may be carried from 10 to 3cgr. It is principally employed in the Tinct. Myrrh. Comp. q. v.

# EXTRACTUM COLOCYNTHIDIS COMPOSITUM.

Compound Extract of Bitter Apple.—Colocynthida or bitter Apple, is the produce of a plant of the Gourd kind, which which grows in Turkey; and the medullary or pulpy part of it, confifting as it were of white fpongy membranous leaves, is only ufed. This fungous medulla has a naufeous acrid intenfely bitter tafte, and is a ftrong irritating purge. It has operated fo violently in dofes of § or 10gr. as to occafion bloody ftools; is therefore feldom ufed, except as a ftimulus to other purgatives.

This compound extract is a powerful cathartic; its dofe is from 10 to 25gr.

# EXTRACTA CINCHONÆ, SIVE CORTICIS PERUVIANI.

----- of Cinchona, or Peruvian Bark.-Cinchona is the bark of a tree which grows on the hills near Quito in Peru. It has a flight odour and a bitter aftringent aromatic tafte. There are two forts of it in use, the pale and the red; the latter is most refinous, confequently most efficacious, but is generally too much fophifticated to be depended upon. It is used in various forms, but the fubflance only flould be relied on in obstinate agues, and putrid diforders. The decoction is fufficient in most remittents, and in the decline of other fevers; alfo to relieve periodical fpafmodic complaints, and as a reftorative; in which cafes the tincture is generally added. The fubftance may be given up to 1dr. or more. Bark, finely powdered and quilted into the folds of a linen waiftcoat, or repeatedly exhibited in the form of a clyfter, has frequently proved efficacious in obflinate agues, when every other method has failed; particularly with children, and in relaxed habits.

The extracts are well calculated for weak ftomachs that will not bear much bark in fubftance, and to be formed into

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into pills with other medicines. Ten or 12gr. of the hard extract or refin, are equivalent to about half a dram of the bark itfelf, and the foft watery extract may be given up to 2fcr. or more. The hard extract or refin often proves too reftrictive with irritable ftomachs.

# EXTRACTUM HÆMATOXYLI, SIVE LIGNI CAMPECHIANI.

—————of Logrwood.— The Wood is brought from the bay of Honduras in large logs. It is a red wood, and is chiefly ufed by the dyers; it has an aftringent fweetifh tafte, and is employed medicinally in decoction, and a watery extract, against diarrheas and dyfenteries. The extract is often mixed with powders or juleps, and is given for the fame purposes. The dose may be from 10 to 40gr. repeatedly.

#### EXTRACTUM CASCARILLÆ.

The powdered bark is ordered from 10 to 30gr. and is fometimes joined with the Peruvian bark. The dofe of the extract is the fame.

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### EXTRACTUM JALAPII.

The extract is a good purgative medicine, and of more uniform firength than the crude root. The dofe of the refin, from 5 to 10gr. the watery extract is a milder purgative, and may be given in much the fame proportion as the root, at leaft from 10 to 20gr.

### EXTRACTUM SENNÆ.

### OPIUM PURIFICATUM.

Purified Opium.—This concrete gum-refinous inspiffated juice, derived from the Papaver fonniferum, is brought from from the Levant in flat round cakes, covered with leaves to prevent their adhefion; therefore is neceffarily cleanfed from thofe foreign matters by folution and colation. It contains a refin, effential oil, a principle of odour, and a foapy extract; is of a darkifh brown colour, and yields a faint fmell and a bitterifh tafte. Opium is a very powerful remedy, and is a principal ingredient in many officinal compofitions. It mitigates pain, procures fleep, allays irritability and fpafins, and promotes perfpiration; particularly when joined with camphor, ipecacuanha, or fome other medicine of the diaphoretic clafs.

This valuable drug will not agree with every confitution; it fhould therefore be administered with caution to thofe who are not accuftomed to it. The general dofe is from half a gr. to 1 or 2gr. and may be repeated or increafed at proper intervals, in proportion to the degree of pain or fpafmodic affection. The operation of a moderate dofe is fuppofed to continue about fix hours; but in cafes of an increafed painful fpafm it will be neceffary to give a fecond dofe in two or three hours time. It is foluble in every menftruum, but moft fo in proof fpirit, which is allowed to diffolve three-fourths of dried opium. The beft mode of exhibiting it is in that of a pill with an equal quantity of hard foap, which divides its fubftance, and renders it more readily foluble in the ftomach, and confequently quicker in its effect.

#### ELATERIUM.

The infoiffated Juice of Wild Cucumber.—The Cucumis Agrefis is a hairy watery oval fruit, which when ripe burfts on being touched, and throws out its juice and black feeds. The thick fecula is what is called Elaterium, rium, which is a powerful emetic and cathartic. It is faid to have proved efficacious in hydropic cafes, but great caution is required in ufing it. The dofe is from  $\frac{1}{2}$  a gr. to 3gr. and it is mostly ufed to quicken other purgatives. A pill with Extr. Gentian, gr. 4, Elater. gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$ , repeated every two hours till it operated fufficiently by ftool, and given every third or fourth day, is faid to have prevailed much in reducing dropfical fwellings, and making way for corroborants.

# OLEA.

Oils are obtained by expression and distillation—those by expression are procured from certain feeds, kernels, rinds, and other parts of fruits: fuch are oils of almonds, mace, citron, olives, &c. Expressed oils contain the resinous and oily, but not the gummy and mucilaginous parts of vegetables.

Those by diffillation are of two kinds—effential, poffeffed of the odour and virtues of plants from which they are drawn; and empyreumatic, which have a ftrong fætid fmell, and are produced from vegetable, animal, and mineral fubftances, burnt in close veffels. Effential oils, when rubbed with eight or ten times their quantity of fugar are foluble in aqueous liquors; and when mixed with water, by means of mucilages, produce an uniform milky liquor. They are alfo foluble in three or four times their quantity of fpirit of wine. Solutions of this kind may be taken on fugar, or mixed with fyrups.

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# OLEUM AMYGDALÆ.

Oil of Almonds .- Almonds are the kernels of the nuts of the almond tree, which grows in the fouthern parts of Europe. They not only yield much oil, but alfo a mucilage, which gives them the power of incorporating oil with water. The oil of bitter almonds have the fame innocent qualities with that of the fweet; but as it is a wellknown fact, that the kernels have proved deleterious to animals, they are feldom ufed.

Camphor, Refina Jalapii, and other refinous fubftances, rubbed with almonds, are rendered milder, and mifcible with water.

This Oil, as well as that of Olives and Linfeed, are of an emollient demulcent nature. Externally, they foften and relax the folids-internally, they flicath acrimonious bile and humours, and relieve catarhous complaints and tickling coughs. They are commonly given in the form of an emulfion, and mixed with a watery menftruum, by means of a fufficient quantity of the yolk of an egg, gum mucilage, or volatile alkaline fpirit, in the proportion of two ounces of the oil to about half a pint of the diffilled . water, and fweetened with half an ounce or more of fyrup of Tolu. Vide Lac Amygdalæ.

### OLEUM LÍNI.

Oil of Linfeed .- The common flax or linfeed, is brought from different parts of Europe. It abounds with oil and mucilage, and is much used in infusions and ptifans. The cold drawn oil is given in the form of an emulfion, as a pectoral and demulcent, for the relief of catarrhous tickling coughs, and to promote expectoration. It is recommended by Bergius in the Iliac paffion, both by the mouth and

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and by way of clyfter. An emollient and refolvent Cataplafin is formed from the farina or meal.

### OLEUM OLIVÆ.

Oil of Olive.—The olive tree grows in moft of the mild and warm climates, and its fruit yields a great quantity of oil, which when frefh and pure is perfectly bland; having no particular tafte or fmell. There are two or three forts of this oil—the pureft is obtained by flight preffure; the common fort is ftrongly preffed from the remaining magma, or groffer part of the olive, heated. They all contain an aqueous moifture, and a mucilaginous fubftance, which fubject them to putrefcence. This oil is nearly of equal ufe with the former, but is principally employed in forming plaifters, unguents, &c.

#### OLEUM RICINI,

Commonly called *Caftor Oil*, is extracted from the purgative feed of the Ricinus or Palma Chrifti, which comes to perfection only in warm climates. It is a fafe mild laxative in bilious and calculous diforders. The beft is free from rancidity, which quality is greatly cccafioned by ufing heat, and unfair mixtures.

The dofe for a child is 1 or 2dr.—for an adult, from half an oz. to 1 oz. floating in a glafs of water, or peppermint water; or mixed up with either, by means of mucilage, egg, honey, or volatile fpirits.

### OLEUM SINAPEOS.

Oil of Muflard.—This oil is expressed from the ftrong pungent feed of an annual plant, a native of England; but is much cultivated for medicinal and dietetic purpofes.

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pofes. It is nearly as infipid and lubricating, as the former; the pungent quality refiding in the cake after exprefion.

The feed affords a variety of medicines-a powerful aqueous or vinous Infusion against paralytic, fcorbutic, and hydropic diforders, particularly if joined with horferadifu root shaved : a spoonful of the feed, unbruised, is taken twice a day, against the fame complaints, with an infusion of broom tops, or fome stomach bitter. Sinapilas, with equal parts of the powder, or flour of muftard, and wheat-meal, mixed up into a foft poultice with vinegar, are applied as ftimulants to benumbed limbs; or to the foles of the feet in the low flate of fevers; or to pained parts in chronic rheumatifms. An excellent embrocation is made with bruifed muftard feed, well moiftened with fimple fpirit of lavender, and then ftrongly fqueezed by a hand prefs; the liquid from which is an uniform active mixture of the oil with the pungent part, and the aromatic fpirit of the lavender.

The expressed oils from aromatic fubstances differ much in one respect, from the expressed oil of mustard; which is, that they retain the aromatic quality of the fubject.— Such are oils of nutmeg, mace, &c.

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## OLEUM ESSENTIALE ANISI.

Effential Oil of Anifeed is one of the mildeft of the kind; and from 3 to 10gtt. or more, may be given for a dofe, in flatulencies and colics. This oil acquires a bu-E 2 tyraceous

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tyraceous confiftence, even in the process of distillation, provided the water in the refrigeratory be kept too cool.

Anifum or Anife, is a finall umbelliferous plant, bearing firiated feeds, flatted on one fide and pointed at one end, and of a pale colour inclining to green. The beft feeds, which are the only parts in ufe, are brought from Spain—they have a firong aromatic finell, and a warmfweetifth tafte. A fcruple of them powdered, has been given at a dofe, as a warm carminative. It is the chiefingredient in the Compound Spirit of Anifeed.

### OLEUM ESSENTIALE CARUI.

*Effential: Oil of Carraway* is a warm carminative, and may be given from 1 to 5gtt. at a dofe.

Caruon or Carraway, is an umbelliferous biennial plant, with firiated branched ftalks, and finely divided leaves, fet in pairs along a chanelled rib; and is cultivated in gardens. The feeds only of this plant are in ufe; they are very finall, of a brownifh or blackifh colour, flat on one fide, and rounding on the other; they have an aromatic fmell, and a warm penetrating tafte; diffel wind, and help the digeftive powers; and may be taken up to 30gr. at a dofe.

### OLEUM ESSENTIALE JUNIPERI BACCÆ.

Effential Oil of Juniper. Berry is also a waym carminative medicine, but possessibles the further qualities of a diuretic and deobstruent; and may be taken from 2 to 8 or 10gtt.

Juniper is an evergreen tree or bufh, with flender, long, fnarp-pointed leaves, and grows in most parts of Europe. The berries which are chiefly brought from Holland and Italy, Italy, are, when unripe, of a green or red colour; when ripe, of a blueish black. They have a warm aromatic fweetish taste, and a powerful smell, abound with effential oil, and are often employed in medicated wines and ales, on account of their stomachic and diuretic qualities.

### OLEUM ESSENTIALE LAVENDULÆ.

Effential Oil of Lavender is of use in vertigoes, nervous head aches, and hysteric complaints, and may be given from 1 to 5gtt.

This plant is common in gardens; and requires no further information, than that the broad-leaved flowers afford three times the quantity of effential oil that the narrow-leaved do—the feeds yield but little.

### OLEUM ESSENTIALE MENTHÆ PIPERITIDIS.

*Effential Oil of Peppermint* is a warm, carminative, ftomachic medicine; and is given from 1 to 3 or 4gtt. at a dofe.

Mentha Piperitis or Peppermint, is faid to be a native of this kingdom only. It has acuminated leaves on very fhort pedicles, and flowers fet in fhort thick fpikes or heads. It is plentifully grown in gardens, and receives no injury by the change of foil.

# OLEUM ESSENTIALE MENTHÆ SATIVÆ.

*Effential Oil of Spearmint* relieves flatulency, and checks naufea, or fickness arising from cold viscid phlegm lodged in the flomach. The dose is from 2 to 5gtt.

The plant has oblong narrow pointed leaves joined clofe to the ftalk, and fmall purplifh flowers ftanding in long fpikes at the top. It is a native of the warmer climates,

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### OLEA DISTILLATA.

yet is common in our gardens. It has an agreeable aromatic finell, and a moderately warm, bitterifh, rough tafte.

#### OLEUM ESSENTIALE PULEGII.

*Effential Oil of Pennyroyal* is ufeful in hyfteric complaints, as an aperient and deobstruent; and may be given from 1 to 5gtt. at a dofe.

Pulegium vulgare, or common Pennyroyal, has oval obtufe leaves, and trailing ftalks, which ftrike root at the joints. It is a plant of the mint kind, and grows on moift commons and watery places; has a warm, pungent, aromatic tafte, with a potent fmell. It is much given in infufion againft uterine obftructions.

### OLEUM ESSENTIALE RORISMARINI.

Effential Oil of Rofemary.—This oil has much the fame qualities and powers as that of lavender, and may be taken in dofes from 2 to 5gtt.

*Rofmarinus*, or Rofemary is a large bufhy plant, with narrow ftiff leaves fet in pairs, and hoary underneath: bears pale blueifh flowers in clufters round the fralk, and is not uncommon in our gardens. The tops and flowers are ufed as tea, for nervous head aches, finkings, and vertigoes.

N.B. Each of the plants and feeds from which the foregoing effential oils are drawn, affords alfo an officinal Spirit and Water. Quæ vide.

### OLEUM ESSENTIALE ORIGANI.

, Effential Qil of Origanum, or wild Marjoram, is chiefly nfed internally.

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The herb grows on dry grayelly, or chalky hills, and much refembles thyme in its warm pungent tafte, and pleafant finell.

# OLEUM ESSENTIALE RADICIS SASSAFRAS.

*Effential Oil of Saffafras* is the most heavy of all effential oils, and is recommended in cachectic habits. Its dofe, from 2 to 10gtt.

Seffefras is the root of a large tree of the laurus kind, growing in America: it is brought over in long pieces, covered with a rough fungous bark, which is of an afh colour without, and of a rufty iron colour within; it has a fragrant fmell and an aromatic fubacrid tafte. Its qualities, like those of guaiacum, are warm and Aimulating, and tend to promote both perfpiration and urine.

### OLEUM ANIMALE.

Animal Oil.—Oils of this kind when rectified, are greatly freed from their empyreumatic fmell and tafte, and become more fubtile and penetrating. This oil is given as an antifpafmodic, fedative, and diaphoretic, in dofes from 5 to 30gtt.

### OLEUM PETROLEI.

Oil of Petroleum, or Rock Oil.—Petroleum is a common name to bitumens, and the oil is its purer fubstance. British oil is of this nature, and is extracted from a kind of stone coal. These bituminous liquids are recommended externally against rheumatic pains, and paralytic complaints. They partake of the stature of Ol. Succin. et Terebinth.

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## OLEUM TEREBINTHINÆ.

Oil of Turpentine. — Common Turpentine is a refinous fubftance, obtained from the *Piftacia Terebinthus*, and various pine trees. It yields, by diftillation, a ftrong effential oil, and leaves behind a brittle infipid matter, which is ufed in fome plaifters and ointments, and is called Refina Flava, or Yellow Refin. A few drops of this oil will act with great ftimulus on the urinary paffages; it fhould therefore be ufed with much caution. The rectified oil is far preferable for medicinal purpofes.

# OLEUM TEREBINTHINÆ RECTIFICATUM.

Rectified Oil of Turpentine is much lighter than that of the first diffillation, but is lefs acrid. It has been employed as a diuretic, and fudorific; and was formerly much used towards promoting a digestion in wounds. From 10 to 50gtt. of it, mixed up with three times the quantity of honey, have been given at a dose in the fciatica and chronic rheumatism, washing it down with a large draught of thin gruel or mallow tea. It is neceffary to begin with a small dose of this, and all other such stimulating medicines, cautiously to increase it, and to drink with them plenteously of some smooth diluting liquid, otherwise ftrangury, bloody urine, &c. may ensue.

### OLEUM SUCCINI RECTIFICATUM.

Rectified Oil of Amber has a ftrong fmell, and a very acrid tafte : it promotes urine and allays the irritability of the nervous fyftem. It has been generally preferibed in epilepfy, hyfteria, whooping cough, and other convulfive complaints, in dofes from 5 to 20 gtt. on a lump of fugar, or mixed up with mucilage of gum arabic into a draught with with diffilled water, and wafhed down with any weak liquid. It is alfo applied externally, as a warm ftimulant to the fpine, mixed with a moderate portion of fweet oil. Obffinate intermittents are faid to have been cured by fuch means. The Swedifh College directs 1 oz. of amber to be digefted in 4 oz. of vitriolic æther; the dofe of which tincture is from 20 to 60gtt. in the fame complaints that the Ol. Succin. Rectif. is prefcribed for. 'Vide Succinum.

# OLEUM VINI.

Oil of Wine.—Each preparation of the æther kind fhould be very cautioufly mixed; fully and intimately incorporating the vitriolic acid with the fpirit of wine, in fmall quantities at a time; and the heat in diffillation fhould be carefully and regularly reduced to a moderate degree. The oil will be found in the retort in a febaceous form. It has a pungent fmell, and feems to be a compound of the pure effential oil of the vinous fpirit, and of the moft fubtile part of the vitriolic acid. The cauftic alkali is added in order to engage the uncombined vitriolic acid. This oil is extemporaneoufly ufed in making Hoffinan's Anodyne Liquor. Vide Æther. Vitriolicus et Spirit. Æther. Vitriol. Comp.

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*\$ALTS* are fapid foluble fubftances, faid to be a compofition of earth, water, and phlogifton; and have a tendency not only to unite with water, but alfo with earthy and inflammable matters.

The great Bergman enumerates 25 Acids, the principal of which are the vitriolic, nitrous, marine or muriatic, and the vegetable. The reft are particularly fpecified and explained in his excellent Differtation on Elective Attractions, and in Dr. Berkenhout's First Lines of Chemistry.

Alkaline Salts are of three kinds—the vegetable, the mineral or foffil, and the pure volatile. These combined with acids form neutral falts. Ex. grat.

AČID.	ALKALI.	NEUTRAL.
Diftilled	Vegetable	Acetated Kali
·Vinegar.	Foffil	Acetated Rochelle Salts
1	Volatile	Mindererus's Spirit
Marine.	Vegetable	Digestive Salt of Sylvius
	Foffil	Common Salt
	Volatile	Common Sal Ammoniac
	Vegetable	Common Nitre
Nitrous.	Fofiil	Cubic Nitre
	Volatile	Ammoniacal Nitre
Vitriolic.	Vegetable	Vitriolated Kali
	Foffil	Vitriolated Natron
	Volatile	Vitriolated Ammonia.
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Divers other neutral falts may be formed from a combination of the Alkali with the reft of the acids; all of which may be diffinguished by the peculiar form of their crystals, and are readily deliquescent. Vide Bergman's Tables of Attractions.

Saline compounds are also formed by an union with foluble earths and metallic bodies. Thus the vitriolic acids united with an argillaceous earth form alum; with a metallic basis, vitriol, &c.

It is the general property of acids to excite heat, when mixed with alkaline or metallic bodies, or with one another—to diffolve calcareous earths; alfo animal and vegetable fubftances; to attract moifture from the air; to produce heat with water, and cold with ice or fnow; and to change the purple and blue hues of vegetables to red, and of alkaline to green. The beft tefts for proof of either are turnfole, or the fyrup of violets.

### ACIDUM VEGETABILE.

*Vegetable Acid* may be diffinguished by the appellations of native, fermented, and diffilled. The native is obtained from fruits and plants : fuch are the acid juices of lemon, forrel, &c. the fermented are vinegar and tartar; and the diffilled is drawn from certain refinous plants and woods; of which kind is the acid from fir-wood.

Liquors which have gone through the fpirituous and acid fermentation, yield a purer acid, by diffillation with the heat of boiling water; but the acid juices of lemons, barberries, &c. and verjuice, give over an infipid water only.

# ACETUM DISTILLATUM.

Diftilled Vinegar.—Vinegar is the kind of vegetable acid beft underftood, and moft in ufe. It is produced by

by a continuation of the vinous fermentation, and retains its acidity after diffillation. It may be concentrated, or made more acid, by freezing its watery particles, or by faturating it with alkalies, earths, or metallic calces; then decomposing their neutral falts with two-thirds of their weight of vitriolic acid, and diffilling them in a fand heat. The specific gravity of the strongest vinegar is to the weight of diffilled water, as 1069 to 1000; and about 1402. of it are required to faturate 1 oz. of vegetable alkali. It mixes readily with water, and by uniting it with spirit of wine affords an æther.

By long digcftion it will diffolve animal fubftances, and foften horn, bone, &c. The acids of tartar, vinegar, and fugar, are faid to be modifications of the fame acid. Water fweetened with honey, and ftrongly medicated with vinegar, is efteemed an antidote againft vegetable poifons; but fhould be preceded by an emetic with Antimon. Tartarifat. or Vitriol. Alb. diffolved in water. Diffilled vinegar in the quantity of 2 or 3 oz. in the day, for a continuance, premifed by bleeding, is recommended in maniacal diforders. It is a powerful fudorific in the form of whey, and mixed with thin drinks, corrects putrefcent acrimony; but will not agree with phlegmatic habits.

# ACIDUM ACETOSUM.

Acetous Acid.—This concentrated acid is not fo pure as that obtained by froft, or drawn from a neutral falt, being apt to retain a portion of the copper, which is eafily to be proved by its turning blue when faturated with Aq. Ammonia.

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# ACIDUM MURIATICUM.

Muriatic Acid, or Marine Acid, is generally procured from fea falt, which is compounded of fotil alkali, or natron, and muriatic acid. It may also be obtained from vegetables, fossils, urine, foot, &c. In this process likewife the vitriolic acid is commonly employed to decompose the falt, and to fet the marine acid at liberty. The neutral falt left in the retort is, when cleanfed, the vitriolated natron, or Glauber's cathartic falt, viz. the alkaline basis of the fea falt, and the vitriolic acid united.

The marine acid acts readily on metallic bodies, and has a greater attinity to most of them than other acids. It does not touch gold in its metallic state, except mixed with eight times its quantity of the nitrous acid, which forms an aqua regia. It mixes readily with spirit of wine, and affords a true æther. When concentrated, it is of a yellow colour, and oily particles float on its surface. Its specific gravity to that of diffiled water, is as 1170 to 1000.

This is the weakeft of the mineral, but ftronger than the vegetable acids, and is chiefly ufed as a menftruum. It is given to adul.s in dofes of 10 to 40gtt. or more, with draughts of diluting liquors, in fevers of the putrid kind, after having cleanfed the primæ viæ; and is nuch recommended in malt infufion, for the fea fcurvy: it is alfo ufed to acidulate gargles, particularly againft fore throats of the putrid kind; the ulcerated parts of which may be fometimes limited by frequent applications of the following epithem.—R. Tinct. Benz. comp. Mel. Anglic, āā 1dr. Acid. Muriat. gtt. 10 M.

#### ACIDUM NITROSUM.

Nitrous Acid.—Nitre is a neutral falt, composed of an acid and an earthy basis, impregnated with animal or vegetable

getable matter. This acid may be feparated by the force of fire, but is much more eafily obtained by the affiftance of a proper quantity of vitriolic acid; the latter having a greater affinity to the alkaline part, fets free the nitrous acid, which by diffillation is carried over into the receiver. This acid is commonly in a fluid state, of a reddifh colour, and emits noxious fumes; it is fpecifically lighter than vitriolic acid, effervesces strongly with oils and vinous fpirits, diffolves most metallic and all kinds of animal and vegetable fubftances, generates cold, increafes inflammability, and promotes fusion. Exposed to intense heat, it produces a large portion of pure air—10 $\frac{1}{2}$ dr. of this acid will faturate 1 oz. of falt of tartar, or prepared kali. The more concentrated it is, the more volatile, the more diluted, the more fixed. The fpecific gravity to the weight of distilled water, is as 1550 to 1000.

### ACIDUM NITROSUM DILUTUM.

Diluted Nitrous Acid.—The vapour which rifes in mixing thefe fluids, is nitrous acid air, and is deleterious. This acid is ufed as a menftruum, and in a few particular preparations.

### ACIDUM VITRIOLICUM.

*Vitriolic Acid* is generally in a liquid form. It exifts in various metallic and earthy bodies; but is chiefly obtained from green vitriol, and from fulphur; 16 oz. of the latter yielding 9 oz. of the acid

It is the ftrongeft of all acids, and has the greateft fpecific gravity; the proportion of which to diffilled water, is as 18co to 1000. It generates much heat with water; becomes dulcified, that is, lofes it acidity, when incorporated rated with fpirit of wine; diffolves iron, zinc, and copper; and with boiling heat may be united to all metals. It corrodes all animal and vegetable fubftances, checks fermentation, and neutralizes alkalies; and will become volatile by the addition of phlogifton, or by mixing it with liver of fulphur, made with cauftic alkali; but in this volatile ftate its affinities and powers are much diminifhed.

# ACIDUM VITRIOLICUM DILUTUM.

Diluted or Weak Vitriolic Acid.—This was lately called Spiritus Vitrioli Tenuis, and is frequently ordered inftead of the Elixir Vitrioli Acidum, of the former Difpenfatory. Mixed to an agreeable tartnefs with juleps and common drinks, it acts as an antifeptic, a cooling aftringent, or a ftomachic. The dofe may be from 10 to 30gtt. This acid, as well as muriatic acid, taken in malt infufion, or with the bark, are excellent remedies in putrefcent cafes, particularly in the fea fcurvy.

# FLORES BENZOËS.

Flowers of Benzoin or Benjamin, is a concrete, refinous, light-coloured juice, obtained from the ftyrax benzoine tree, which grows in the ifland of Sumatra.

The flowers are a particular kind of acid falt, of grateful odour, which by fublimation floots into cryftalline fpiculæ; 9 or 10dr. of which may be procured from 2lb. of the refin. It will diffolve in fpirit of wine, and in heated water; and is recommended in afthmatic and other pectoral difeafes, in dofes from 5 to 10gr. mixed up with fimple fyrup, or with gummofe pills.

# SAL ET OLEUM SUCCINI.

Salt and Oil of Amber .- Vide Ol. Succin. Rectific.

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# SAL SUCCINI PURIFICATUS.

Purified Salt of Amber is a volatile acid falt, peculiar in its nature, and of a brown colour. It may be freed from the oil by drying it between the folds of bibulous paper—is foluble in vitriolic acid and in balfams, alfo in water made boiling hot; and effervences with both fixed and volatile alkalies.

It is principally used as a diuretic and anti-hysteric. The dose from 5 to 15gr.

#### AMMONIA PRÆPARATA.

Prepared Ammonia .- The volatile alkali, or Ammonia, may be procured from all animal and vegetable fubftances, but very fparingly from the latter before putrefaction. The two kinds most in use are distilled, either from the horns and bones of animals, or from fal ammoniac, which is a neutral falt composed of muriatic acid and volatile . alkali. In the preparation of ammonia, the chalk unites with the muriatic acid, and fets free the volatile principle. With lime it becomes cauftic, by being deprived of its fixed air, and rifes fluid; but with an abforbent earth, or mild fixed alkali, having caught their fixed air, it proves mild, and fublimes in a concrete form. Volatile alkali in the liquid ftate, diffolves copper and iron, and dropped into a folution of the former, gives it a blue colour. It diffolves the calces of metals, and precipitates gold from aqua regia. The mild fixed alkali unites with effential, but not with expressed oils; the caustic alkali with both, and with fulphur. The volatile alkalies, both mild and caultic, unite with acids; the former raifes effervefcence with them.

This preparation is given as an attenuant, a cordial ftimulant, and a diaphoretic. The dose of the falt is from 5 to 20gr. 20gr. and is beft administered when enveloped with sperma ceti and mucilage.

#### AQUA AMMONIÆ.

Water of Ammonia.—This preparation, formerly termed Spirit of Sal Ammoniac, has the falt decomposed, either by the foffil or vegetable alkali uniting with the marine acid. This is used as a mensfruum or epithem, and is given in doses from 10 to 30gtt. properly diluted, as an antiseptic and diaphoretic; and to excite the nerves to action in lethargic and other nervous diforders.

# AQUA AMMONIÆ PURÆ.

Water of pure Ammonia.— The Ammonia being deprived of its fixed air by the lime, and thereby rendered cauftic, is much more pungent than the foregoing. It is principally ufed to ftimulate the noftrils in fainting fits; alfo as a menftruuni, and as an epithem.

# LIQUOR VOLATILIS, SAL, ET OLEUM CORNU CERVI.

The Volatile Liquor, Salt, and Oil of Hart/horn may be drawn off by diffillation from the folid parts of animals, and with the black earth or caput mortuum, are confidered as the confituent parts of most animal fubftances. The earth calcined in an open fire, becomes white, and is called burnt hartfhorn.

The Salt of Hart/horn is a penetrating ftimulant, of like nature with the ammonia, and is ufed for the fame reviving purpofes. The dofe from 3 to 20gr. in a fpermaceti draught, or a proper quantity of fome demulcent liquid. The Spirit is the falt diffolved in water, and may be taken

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in the fame manner, in doles from 20gtt. to 1dr. The Oil is used externally to excite stimulus in benumbed or palsied limbs.

The Animal Oil is derived from this oil, by repeated diffillations. Quod vide.

#### KALI PRÆPARATUM.

Prepared Kali.—By boiling the afhes of burnt vegetables, filtering the folution, and evaporating it, a purified fixed alkaline falt is obtained; which will not cryftallize, but deliquefces when expofed to the air. Nitre, when deflagrated in a red hot crucible, with charcoal, or fome other phlogiftic body, yields this kind of alkali; as alfo does calcined tartar; each being deprived of its refpective acid, and leaving the alkaline bafis. Purified vegetable alkali, from whatever fubftance procured, is nearly the fame.

Combined with phlogifton, it promotes the fufion of metals; and by an increafed heat, fufes and vitrifies calcareous, argillaceous, filiceous, and metallic earths.

Fufed with fulphur, it forms liver of fulphur, which is • foluble in water, and is given as an antidote to arfenical poifon. Five times the quantity of alkaline falt to that of fulphur, renders it wholly foluble in water.

Acids mixed with purified alkali, produce an immediate effervefcence, by difengaging the fixed air which is contained therein; whereas cauftic alkali being deprived of that principle, yields no fuch effect.

Mild alkali does not diffolve in pure fpirit—cauftic alkali does. Mild alkali acts fafely as an antacid, attenuant, and diuretic, in dofes from 5 to 20gr. properly diluted cauftic alkali crodes and diffolves both animal and vegetable fubflances. *Vegetable* 

*Vegetable Alkali* forms with each acid its refpective neutral falt—the principal of which are the following :

ALKALI.	ACID.	NEUTRAL.
Vegetable Alkali.	Vitriolic	Vitriolated Tartar
	Nitrous .	Nitre
	Muriatic	Digeftive Salt
	Vinegar	Diuretic Salt.

# AQUA KALI PRÆPARATI.

Water of prepared Kali is fimilar in its nature to the ley or oil of tartar per deliquium. Dr. Mead prefcribed this with good effect in dropfies, joined with laudanum or tincture of opium; in dofes from 20 to 30gtt. of each, and made into a draught, to be taken at bed time. It is ufed alfo in gravelly and calculous diforders, but fhould be carefully diluted with diftilled water, or thin broth, and the quantity be regulated according to the patient's age and conflitution.

### AQUA KALI PURI.

Water of pure Kali.—In this preparation the lime feizes upon the fixed air contained in the alkali, and renders it cauftic. This is the Lixivium Saponarium of the laft Difpenfatory, and although not fo concentrated as moft of the pretended folvents, yet in dofes from 10 to 30gtt. will produce fimilar effects in calculous diforders. This is alfo neceffarily taken in a draught of fome diluting liquor, mixed with honey, or with thin veal broth. The following folution of vegetable alkali is milder in its nature, and perhaps more likely to prove efficacious. Diffolve 2 oz. of Kali Præparat. or Sal. Tartar in two quarts of diftilled water, and faturate the folution with aerial acid, of what

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is commonly called fixed air. From 6 to 8 oz. of this preparation is ordered to be taken every eight hours.

### CALX CUM KALI PURO.

Line with pure Kali is the former ftrong common cauftic. It is flow in its operation, but may be better confined to its limits than the pure kali.

#### KALI PURUM.

*Pure Kali.*—This is the Lapis Septicus, or Infernalis of former difpenfatories. It is ufed as a cauftic; is very powerful, but too apt to liquify and fpread in its operation.

### NATRON PRÆPARATUM.

*Prepared Natron.*—The foffil or marine alkali, is the true natron or nitre of the antients, and is often found in the bowels of the earth. It is to be obtained from fea falt, mineral waters, marine plants, and damp walls. When pure and cryftallized, 100 parts contain 20 of alkali, 16 of aerial acid, and 64 of water.

*Barilla* or *Soda*, is a faline earthy concrete, obtained from plants growing on the fea coafts in the Mediterranean; and is chiefly brought to us from Spain. The beft fort is hard and dry, with many holes; of a blackifh grey colour, inclining to blue; yielding, when moift, a violet and rather urinous finell; and readily effervefcing with acids.

The ingenious Mr. Kirwan fays, that the alkaline part of Barilla wants two-thirds of the portion of fixed air neceffary to its faturation. It has therefore a cauftic quality.

The fotil or marine alkali, has lefs affinity to acids, than the vegetable alkali; but differs little from it except

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in the nature of its neutral falts; which are the following :---

ALKALI.	ACID.	NEUTRAL SALTS.
	Vitriolic	Glauber's Salts
	Nitrous	Cubic Nitre
Foffil or	Marine	Sea Salt
Marine.	Acetous	A kind of Rochelle Salt
	Cryftals of Tartar	Rochelle Salt
	Sedative Salt	Borax.

A lefs pure afh or faline earthy concrete than the Barilla, called Kelp, is produced from fea plants caft on the fbores of Great Britain.

# SALES NEUTRALES.

Neutral Salts may be formed after different modes-by mixing the acid and alkali to faturation, in a fufficient quantity of diffilled water; then evaporating the water till a pellicle appear on its furface, or fo as to admit the falt to fhoot into crvftals, as in tartar vitriolat. &c .- by employing mixed fubftances containing the above principles-by adding one of the fubstances to a mixed fubstance containing the other; as in the process of obtaining the nitrous acid, from which process the falt remaining in the retort, if diffolved in a fufficient quantity of water, evaporated, and crvstallized, will prove to be a vitriolated kali; or, by mixing the vitriolic acid with a faturated folution of vegetable alkali, &c. which will alfo yield a vitriolated kali.

kali. Salts prepared with vegetable alkali, and vegetable acid, are commonly evaporated to drynefs.

Neutral falts are to be decomposed either by forcing off one of the component parts by fire, or diffolving them in water, and adding a fubftance which will attach itfelf more to one of the parts than to the other.

If the process of crystallization be regularly performed, each falt invariably assumes a figure peculiar to itfelf.— Thus the crystals of Glauber's falts are of an hexagonal form; nitre, an hexagonal prifm; common falt has a cubical shape, &c.

When the cryftals of falts are not free from impurities, wash them first with the remaining liquor, then with a little diffilled water or rectified spirit of wine.

# AQUA AMMONIÆ ACETATÆ.

Water of Acctated Ammonia is the volatile falt neutralized with diffilled vinegar. From 2 to 6dr. may be given in fevers, once in 4 or 6 hours, as a diaphoretic and attenuant; and it is generally administered in flow remittents with two-thirds camphor mixture; and in rheumatic fevers, with 1dr. or more of the fyrup of poppy.

It is commonly called Mindererus's Spirit.

#### KALI ACETATUM.

Acctated Kali, or the diuretic falt, is composed of vegetable fixed alkali, faturated with the acctous acid or vinegar. It is a cooling deobstruent, and is given in fevers, in dofes from 10 to 30gr. once in 3 or 4 hours; and in larger quantities as a powerful diuretic and moderate purgative. Dr. Lewis recommends from 1 to 2dr. of the fixed alkaline falt, faturated with distilled vinegar, and corrected

rected by the addition of a large fpoonful or two of fpirit of juniper, as a fafe and eafy purge in dropfical cafes.

# KALI TARTARISATUM.

Tartarifed Kali is what was lately called foluble tartar. It is a composition of vegetable alkali and cryftals of tartar, diffolved in diftilled vinegar, and properly neutralized. It is frequently given with rhubarb in the quantity of 30gr. or more. A folution of it from 2 to 6dr. acts as a mild purgative, and it is fometimes ordered in fevers, after the fame manner as the acetated kali, mixed up with diftilled water or almond milk, with a fmall portion of fyrup of orange peel.

Both the foregoing falts are foluble in vinous fpirits, and may be united with oils, gums, and refins. They alfo render metals foluble in vinous fpirits.

# KALI VITRIOLATUM.

Vitriolated Kali.—This neutral falt is an union of the vitriolic acid and vegetable fixed alkali remaining after the diftillation of the nitrous acid. The cryftals are pyramidical hexagons, which keep dry even in moift air: they require a large proportion of water to diffolve them, and are not foluble in vinous fpirits. It is given as a febrifuge, and an attenuant, in dofes from rogr. to a dr.—in larger dofes, and diffolved in aqueous liquors, it is a gentle cathartic.

# NATRON TARTARISATUM.

Tartarifed Natron is a neutral composition of foffil and mineral alkali, and the crystals of tartar; and is commonly called Rochelle Salt. The form of this falt, and that of  $F_4$  Kali

Kali Tartarifatum and Acetatum, are very fimilar, exhibiting five or fix fides of various breadth, and a flat furface at each end. This falt, given from 6dr. to an oz. or more, proves a mild purgative. This and other aperient falts fhould be administered in a proper quantity of liquid.

# NATRON VITRIOLATUM.

Vitriolated Natron.—This is Glauber's Cathartic Salt; in which the vitriolic acid is combined with the mineral or foffil alkali. Vide Acidum Muriaticum. This falt forms into hexagonal cryftals, does not readily deliquefce, and may be diffolved in an equal weight of water, From 4 to 12dr. properly diffolved in warm water or gruel, is a cooling purge. A fmaller dofe plentifully diluted with water, acts as a gentle aperient and diuretic.

# SAL MURIATICUS, SIVE NATRON MURIATICUM.

Muriatic, Marine; or Common Salt; called alfo Sal Gem, or Rock Salt.—It is procured from fea water and falt fprings, and is found native in the falt mines of this and many other countries. This neutral falt confifts of a peculiar acid, called marine or muriatic, and a foffil or mineral alkali, called natren. Its cryftals are fomewhat cubical, and do not diffolve per deliquium, unlefs fraught with a portion of the Epfoin falt, or after having been expofed to a confiderable heat. It diffolves in three times its weight of boiling water, and does not concrete again when cold. Sea water on an average yields about one-fortieth part of falt—the falt fprings one-fifth or fixth part. Befides the common falt, fea water contains a portion of purging purging bitter falt; after the cryftallization of which there remains a faline fubftance, pungent in tafte, and compounded of marine acid and calcareous earth.

Salt is feldom ufed medicinally, except in the quantity of a large fpoonful or two, or more, as an additional flinulus to opening clyfters. We read in the Med. Tranf. vol. 1. that a man troubled with bott worms, accompanied with a continued conflipation of fourteen days, took 2lb. of common falt diffolved in two quarts of water, within the hour. Its operation was violent to a degree, and many worms were difcharged, both upward and downward; the dofe was repeated on the third morning, which had the fame effect: lefs dofes were taken at intervals, and the perfon was cured. Dr. Rufh orders only 30gr. of falt to be taken every morning, fafting, againft worms; and a tea or table fpoonful every day, as a refrigerant, againft fpitting of blood.

. In reference to the briny dofe, defperate difeafes are faid to require defperate cures. It is a well-known fact, that one Poftle, of Ingham, in Norfolk, who was troubled with worms to a flate of idiotifm, was fortunately releafed from both, by privately fwallowing above a pound of white lead and oil, which had been mixed up for paint. Yet one may venture to affert, that the boldeft empiric which this *highly-favoured nation* can boaft of, would not dare to preferibe a *medicine* of fo noxious a quality, were the difeafe ever fo inveterate.

# NITRUM PURIFICATUM.

Purified Nitre.—Common nitre or falt petre, is mostly imported from the East Indies. The earth from which it is produced is fo strongly impregnated with it, as to tafte

tafte of it; and its furface is faid to be covered with a faline cruft, much refembling a hoary froft. It is prepared in Europe from putrified vegetables and animal fubftances, alternately ftratified with pot afhes and quick-lime, which are first exposed to the air for feveral months, then laid in water till the falt is diffolved : it is afterwards purified, evaporated, and cryftallized.

This falt is composed of vegetable alkali and nitrous acid, and its crystals take the form of prismatic hexagons, which fuse with moderate heat, and do not readily deliquesce. Vide Acidum Nitrofum.

It is given in dofes from 5 to 30gr. with equal quantities of gum arabic or fugar well powdered, and diffolved in a cupful of barley water, thin gruel, or the like; and is administered repeatedly, as a cooling attenuating medicine, in acute fevers, and other inflammatory diforders. Large doses feldom fit easy on the stomach, and it is apt to debilitate and depress hypochondriac and nervous habits; on which account it is fometimes joined with a few grains of camphor.

# ALUMINIS PURIFICATIO.

Purification of Alum.—Alum is a cryftallizing falt formed from the vitriolic acid and argillaceous earth. Other acids united with clay earths, will form a falt of the fame kind. Fixed or volatile alkali will decompose alum, the vitriolic acid preferring them to clay. It is artificially produced by calcining and exposing certain minerals to the air, and after-

afterwards elixating them by means of water. It diffolves in fourteen times its weight of water, and after due evaporation forms into a femi-transparent crystal of an octagonal figure. By adding chalk, the vitriolic acid quits an adequate portion of the earthy basis, and renders the folution more fit for crystallization.

It is a powerful aftringent, and may be exhibited from 2 to 12gr. it has been given up to 30gr. for a dole; but finaller doles repeatedly are preferable. It is beft exhibited with the refinous fubftance, called dragon's blood, or gum kino, gum arabic, fpermaceti, or opium. Thus prepared, it has been administered repeatedly in violent uterine and other hæmorrhages, and in immoderate fecretions. It is alfo ufed in collyria and aftringent gargles. From 3 to 6gr. of alum and canella alba, with about 1dr. of Peruvian bark, taken 3 or 4 times a day, have prevented the return of obftinate intermittents.

# ALUMEN USTUM.

Burnt Alum.—In this process the alum is freed from the moifture retained in its crystalline form, and is used as an efcharotic; which mostly leaves a hardness on the part to which it has been applied. By increasing the heat to a certain degree, it parts with its acid, and leaves an infipid white earth, foluble in any kind of acid. Alum is likewise used externally in the form of an aqueous folution, and as an epithem. Que vide.

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# MAGNESIA VITRIOLATA.

Vitriolated Magnefia, heretofore called Sal Catharticus Amarus, or Bitter Purging Salt, and Epfom Salt.—It is a compound of magnefia and the vitriolic acid, and was firft obtained by evaporating the Epfom purging mineral water, but is now generally procured from the bittern; a liquor that is drained from common falt, or remains after it has been raked from the pans. This liquid is kept for fome months in pits made tight with clay, and properly flieltered; and is then evaporated by boiling to cryftallization.

This purging falt has a naufeous bitter tafte; and when diffolved in the proportion of 2 or 3dr. to a pint or more of water, operates more powerfully, and in a more eafy manner, than twice the quantity in 3 or 4 oz. of water. It may thus be made a tolerable fubflitute for the purging mineral waters, or fea water. As an efficacious laxative, vide Infuf. Sennæ.

# MAGNESIA ALBA.

White Magnefia.—That which is precipitated with kali, from a folution of Epfom falt, is most pure. Magnefia diffolves in acids to effervescence, but does not burn to lime. It confists of one-half earth, one-fourth fixed air, the rest water. The Epfom falt is principally vitriolic; its basis is a fine absorbent earth, called Magnefia; and the combination is difunited by the following double attraction:

The vitriolic acid quitting the earth, unites with the mild kali, and forms a vitriolated tartar, whilft the magnefia or earthy bafis connects itfelf with the aerial acid or fixed air, which is diffengaged from the kali. The vitriolated

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lated kali remains afloat in the watery folvent, and the magnefia, with its companion, falls to the bottom.

This powder corrects acidities in the primæ viæ, in the quantities of 10 to 30gr. and may be given up to a dr. or two, as an aperient. The best vehicle for taking it, is mint water, or fome fuch carminative aqueous liquid.

#### MAGNESIA USTA.

Burnt Magnefia.—Although deprived of its fixed air, magnefia does not become cauftic like calcareous earths; but it has twice the ftrength of the former. It is thought preferable to the aerated, becaufe it raifes not effervefcence with the acidities in the ftomach : yet many have fuffered violent pain from taking it, particularly when not plentifully diluted; whence it may be prefumed that it is not entirely free from a cauftic quality. The dofe is from  $\frac{1}{2}$ dr. to a dr. which latter quantity is a brifk purge to fome habits.

# PRÆPARATA E SULPHURE.

Preparations of Sulphur.—Sulphur is a mineral concrete, which melts very readily over the fire, and yields a blueifh flame and a fuffocating acid fume. It is compounded of the vitriolic acid and phlogifton. The foffil or fictitious fort, which is brought from the fulphur works abroad, and made by the firatifying minerals abounding in vitriolic acid with wood, and fetting the latter on fire, is lefs common than the native, and not fo proper for medicinal purpofes, being fubject to a noxious mixture of arfenical or other metallic fubfrances. The native is dug out of the earth, earth, or found on its furface, in transparent pieces, of a greenish bright yellow, or a dark grey colour streaked with yellow; the latter of which is a true fulphur vivum. What is fold by that name in the shops, is no more than the dross remaining after the fulphur has been sublimed. Sulphur digested in vitriolic acid is deprived of its phlogiston. It unites with alkaline falts, is foluble in all oils, is immiscible with either water or ardent spirits, except by the interposition of alkaline falts or quick-lime, and may be united with every metal except gold and zinc.— Sulphur restrains the action of antimonial and mercurial preparations—it also renders arfenic less poisonous.

Sulphur is never ufed internally in its crude ftate; the fulphur vivum is advantageoufly ufed against the Itch, in the form of an ointment.

# FLORES SULPHURIS LOTI.

Washed Flowers of Sulphur.—This process is intended to cleanfe the flowers from a portion of acid, which in large works unavoidably taints them, and to render them less irritating to the flomach and bowels.

Pure fulphur loofens the belly, and promotes infenfible perfpiration. It is given from a fcr. to a dr. in milk or treacle; is frequently joined with nitre, cryftals of tartar, and electuary of fenna, against the piles; and is used in an ointment, externally, for the cure of the Itch.

#### KALI SULPHURATUM.

Sulphurated Kali.—This is the Hepar Sulphuris, and is perfectly foluble in water, in the proportion of two to one: A folution of a dr. to a pint has been recommended as a wafn in cutaneous diforders, and is faid to have cured the Itch. Itch. Small dofes from 3 to 6gr. or more, in a large draught of barley water, have been recommended againft herpetic and other cutaneous complaints. It has a foctid finell, and a naufeous tafte. Bergman, Navier, and others, advife a folution of hepar fulphuris as an antidote to arfenical and other mineral poifons. Most of the metals become foluble in water, by being fused with this fulphurated kali.

#### OLEUM ET PETROLEUM SULPHURATUM.

Sulphurated Oil and Sulphurated Petroleum.—Particular care is neceffary in melting thefe fubftances with the oil; it flould be done over a flow fire, as they are fubject to rife fuddenly when near the point of ebullition. Balfam of Sulphur was thus prepared, and was formerly in high effimation in diforders of the lungs. Its dofe was from 10 to 30gtt. diffolved in honey, and mixed with a pectoral drink; but the prefent practice has judicioufly difcarded thefe hot irritating medicines upon all fuch occasions.

Petroleum is a common name for various liquid bitumens or mineral oils, which exude from the earth or from rocks. The rock oil or Barbadoes tar, which is petroleum of a thicker confiftence, are feldom ufed, except externally as a difcutient, and againft numbnefs or pains in paralytic affections, or chronic rheumatifm, mixed with oil in the form of an embrocation or epithem. The Barbadoes tar has been much ufed externally, as a remedy to incipient white fwellings.

## SULPHUR PRÆCIPITATUM.

Precipitated Sulphur.— The kali or liver of fulphur, is here decomposed by the attraction of the alkaline falt to the

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the vitriolic, acid; from the union of which the fulphur precipitates in the form of a light-coloured yellowith powder. This preparation differs very little in quality from the Flores Sulphuris, except being lefs powerful in its effect.

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Preparations of Antimony.—Antimony not being poffeffed of the general properties of metals, fuch as malleability, ductility, and fixidity by fire, is called a femi-metal. It is a heavy brittle mineral, of a dark leaden colour, intermingled with fhining ftreaks like needles. That from the mines in Germany, Hungary, and France, is found in lumps mixed with ftones and earthy fubftances, and is feparated from them by fufion. That which is found in England is generally mixed with a portion of lead, confequently not fo proper for medicinal ufe.

The production of the fufing process is called crude antimony, which is composed of the metallic part, called regulus of antimony and fulphur. The reguline part is easily feparated from the fulphur by calcination, and remains alone in the form of a grey calx, which may be reftored to its original reguline ftate, by fluxing it with charcoal or fome other phlogiftic matter.

In crude antimony the reguline is intimately blended with the fulphureous part, which renders it altogether mild; and when levigated is recommended to be taken in dofes from 1 fcr. to 1 dr. or more, two or three times a day, as an alterative, particularly in leprous and other cutatieous diforders. AntiAntimonial preparations vary in their ftrength, according to the quantity of nitre employed in the deflagration, or the difcharge of the fulphur.

# ANTIMONIUM CALCINATUM.

Calcined Antimony.—In this the quantity of nitre is not only fufficient to confume the fulphur, but alfo to deftroy the inflammable principle of the regulus, and to reduce it almost to an inert calx. It may be perfectly cleanfed from any reguline portion by washing, as directed in separating the earthy powders from their grosser parts. This preparation was formerly recommended as a gentle diaphoretic in fevers and inflammatory diforders, in doses from 10 to 30gr. repeatedly; but in the present practice, James's powder, and other more active antimonials are preferred.

# ANTIMONIUM MURIATUM.

Muriated Antimony.—This preparation, formerly called Butter of Antimony and Antimonial Cauftic, is a folution of the metallic part of the antimony with the marine acid of the falt; the natron or mineral alkali of which had been difengaged by the vitriolic acid. It fhould be obferved, that the folution will not well take place with the marine acid in its liquid form; and that the antimony thus united comes over into the receiver in appearance like butter.

It is a cauftic, but not much in use at present, and was formerly made with equal parts of corrosive sublimate and crude antimony. In which process, the muriatic acid of the sublimate united and rose with the reguline part of the antimony, and the antimonial sulphur remained in the retort with the quickfilver. This residuum being sublimed in a coated matrafs, with an open fire, produced a deep

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red fpiculated mass, called *Cinnabar of Antimony*, an indeterminate compound of fulphur and quickfilver. The vapours in the latter process are extremely noxious; and should the retort burst, the life of the operator would be in great danger.

# ANTIMONIUM TARTARISATUM.

Tartarifed Antimony is a preparation more generally known by its former title of Emetic Tartar. The acid of tartar in folution, is made to take up a quantity of the metallic part of the antimony; the water faturated therewith is then fufficiently evaporated, and fet by to cryftallize. Emetic tartar is fometimes prepared from the glafs of antimony; alfo from Algeroth's powder, which is the precipitated folution of the Antimon. Muriatic. by the addition of water.

The dofe, as an emetic, is from 1 to 5gr. as an alterative and diaphoretic, from an eighth to one half of a gr. It is given repeatedly in the latter quantities, in the beginning of remittent fevers, joined with a few gr. of fugar, or fome teftaceous powder; and with 10 or more gr. of nitre, in inflammatory diforders. The French preferibe' it *en lavage* (that is, a moderate dofe well diluted in barley water, or fome thin liquid) and give it in very finall portions every half hour, till it acts either by vomiting or by ftool. This they do particularly, at the attack of bilious fevers; at which period of the difeafe, they moft commonly join a due portion of it with tamarinds, manna, or purging falts, diffolved in ptifan or barley water, in order to clear the firft paffages; by which means the difeafe is frequently removed in its firft ftage.

The beft mode of giving it to children, is in folution. In the proportion of a gr. to an oz. of water, with enough

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of fugar to fweeten it. A tea fpoonful or two may be taken every half hour, till the patient vomits. It is thus made to anfwer in fevers, and when the ftomach is loaded with phlegm, or the lungs with mucus; and it fhould be repeated according to the neceffity of the cafe, and the ftrength of the patient.

Tartarized antimony duly prepared and properly managed, will produce all the good effects of Dr. James's powder, or any other antimonial.

### ANTIMONIUM VITRIFICATUM.

*Vitrified Antiniony.*—Antimony is thus reduced to a glaffy frate by the force of fire only. It is too active a preparation for internal ufe by itfelf; yet if combined with wax or refins, it may be fafely given in fmall quantities. It is the bafis of the antimonial wine.

Vitrified antimony, melted over a gentle fire with a ninth part of yellow wax, and kept flirring for about half an hour, forms a fnuff-coloured powder, called *Cerated Glafs* of Antimony; which has long been efteemed a ufeful medicine in Dyfenterics. The dofe, from 2 to 3gr. up to 20, repeatedly, according to the ftrength of the patient. It commonly acts by vomiting or by ftool; yet has fometimes effected a cure without occafioning any evacuation.

#### CROCUS ANTIMONII.

Crocus of Antimony.—In this precess the antimonial fulphur is deflagrated with the nitre in fuch proportion, as to leave the reguline part extremely active, and quite unfafe as a medicine in its prefent form. The falt is added to affift the fusion. The antimonial wine was formerly made with the crocus—it is now prepared with the glass of antimony.

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#### PULVIS ANTIMONIALIS.

Antimonial Powder.—Antimony calcined with hartfhorn in a reverberatory furnace becomes a mild preparation, fimilar in its nature and effect to Dr. James's powder. It is a calx intimately blended with the refiduum, or abforbent earth of the hartfhorn. Given from 3 to 6gr. particularly if joined with a quarter of a gr. of powdered opium, it acts as an alterative and diaphoretic; in larger dofes, as an emetic and laxative. It has frequently proved of ufe in inflammatory fevers of the rheumatic kind, by repeating the dofe once in fix or eight hours, or according to the ftate of the diforder, and ftrength of the patient.

# SULPHUR ANTIMONII PRÆCIPITATUM.

Precipitated Sulphur of Antimony.—In this preparation the cauftic alkali having deprived the antimony of its fulphur, forms a hepar fulphuris, which intimately mixes with water; 'but upon the acid being added, an union takes place immediately with that and the alkali, the fulphur is let loofe and precipitated, and the water is impregnated with.' the vitriolated kali.

The quantity of reguline particles which this medicine unavoidably contains is uncertain; therefore it flould be taken at first in finall doses, from 3 to 6gr. It is chiefly used as an alterative and diaphoretic, in cutaneous diforders.

Equal parts of this fulphur and calomel, intimately rubbed together in a glass mortar, are effected an excellent alterative in venereal and other eruptions; in dofes from 3 to 6, 8, or rogr. twice a day, with a very finall portion. of opium, and made into pills with Conf. Cynofbat.

. It is to be obferved, that this precipitate, in the quantity of 4 or 5gr. will prove emetic, if taken on an empty fromach."

# ARGENTUM NITRATUM.

Nitrated Silver .- Excepting gold, filver endures fire more than all other metals, and may be freed from extraneous fubstances by fire; more particularly by adding lead, which accelerates its calcination, and thereby promotes its feparation. Silver diffolves in pure nitrous acid; and this folution exficcated, is what was heretofore called Lunar Cauffic. It is generally used to keep down fungous flefh in wounds and ulcers, by moderately touching their edges.

# PRÆPARATA E FERRO.

Preparations of Iron .- Iron is feldom found in a malleable ftate, but as a calx or earth, which is reducible to iron by adding charcoal or phlogiston. It is calcined with more eafe than any other metal, and unites with every metal except lead and mercury. It is foluble in all acids, and is corroded into a ruft or calx, by the moifture of the air, or rather by the action of the aerial acid. Its calx may be revived by fusion with fulphur, or any inflammable matter. Diffolved in vitriolic acid it produces inflammable air, by means of which an extraordinary phenomenon has . of late been frequently held forth to the amazement of the public at large; the principles of which, the philosophical part of the world were long fince well acquainted with; but it remained for more adventurous men to bring them into .

into action. Sulphur unites with iron in preference to all other metals; and iron precipitates all other metals excepting zinc. Iron fixed, or hardened by means of animal or vegetable coal, forms steel, which is not so proper for medicinal use as in the softer state.

The medicinal virtues of these metals are indeterminate, their action being different in different habits, and under opposite circumstances. They are aperient or aftringent, they promote or suppress the secretions; but their principal effects are those of constringing the folids and quickening the circulation of the fluids; consequently their use ought to be confined to relaxed and phlegmatic constitutions. When an acid prevails in the first passages, the rust of iron, or crude filings finely powdered, are most fuitable, otherwise the faline preparations are to be preferred; the acid folvent reducing the iron to an absolute calx, by attaching itself to the alkaline basis of the animal juices.

# FERRUM AMMONIACALE.

Ammoniacal Iron.—In this operation the fpiritus ammoniæ will firft arife, which fhould be caught in a receiver; then the white flowers which are ufelefs, at length rife the deep orange-coloured flowers, which is the intended refult of this operation, and an indeterminate compound of ferrum and fal ammoniacus. The fuccefs of this procefs depends upon the heat being quickly raifed to a force equal to the carrying up a fufficient quantity of the iron.

It is like all other preparations of iron, a deobstruent and corroborant, but perhaps has no better effect than the subsequent simple preparation, although the creature of an elaborate process. The dose is from 3 to 15 or 20gr. in form of a bolus.

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# FERRI RUBIGO.

Ruft of Iron.—This preparation is thought preferable to those made by a ftrong fire, and is frequently given in chlorofis, joined with aromatic powder, in dofes from 5to 30gr. but all preparations of iron answer best in small dofes, which should rather be repeated than enlarged.— The following formula was much prefcribed by the late Dr. Hugh Smith against hypochondriac and epileptic complaints; it has also proved fuccessful against worms, in weak and relaxed habits, and as an emmenagogue. R. Conf. of fea wormwood 1 oz. ruft of iron half an oz. Conf. of Arum 2dr. fyr. of orange peel enough to form an electuary. The dofe, the bigness of a nutineg night and morning, occasionally interposing Rhubarb, or fome laxative medicine.

#### FERRUM TARTARISATUM.

Tartarifed Iron is an elegant preparation of iron, and is faid to have taken effect after all others have failed; the fuperfaturated falt being fuppofed to render the metal more foluble in the animal fluids, but with what truth is not clearly afcertained. Monf. Malouin fays, it may be given from 10gr. to a dr. once or twice a day, in ptifan or broth, but 30gr. are the extent.

#### FERRUM VITRIOLATUM.

Vitriolated Iron—the former Salt of Steel.—Purified green vitriol is generally fubfituted for this falt; which may be known by the cryftals taking a brownifh caft. This is a folution of iron in diluted vitriolic acid, evaporated and fet by to cryftallize; and the vapour being inflammable air, is confequently deleterious. Like the reft of the me- $G \perp$  dicines dicines of this class, it accelerates the circulation of the fluids, relieves obstructions, strengthens the tone of the fibres, and destroys worms.

On fome occasions it is best exhibited in a liquid form, largely diluted, in the proportion of 10gr. to a pint or more of water, and given in repeated moderate draughts, with proper exercise, after the manner of taking Chalybeate Waters. It may be taken in doses from 3gr. to 20, and is often given as a tonic and deobstruent, with myrrh and extract of bark. Large doses of chalybeate medicines are apt to occasion fickness and purging. Vide Tinct. Myrrh.

# PRÆPARATA EX HYDRARGYRO.

Preparations of Quickfilver.—Quickfilver is an opake filver-coloured metallic fubftance. It is either found in its fluid form, or in different kinds of ores; but more particularly in that ore which goes by the name of Native Cinnabar; and is found in the mines of Hungary, Spain, and the Indies. Nitrous acid diffolves it, vitriolic acid corrodes it, and the marine acid, in its liquid flate, fcarcely touches it; yet the latter may be united with it in the form of a fume. It has little or no effect in the crude flate, but will act powerfully when divided by earthy, unctuous, refinous, and other fubftances; or combined with acids. Its action is reftrained when divided by fulphur. It is eafily carried over by diftillation in its fluid form

form, and with a moderate and continued heat may be calcined into a reddifh powder, formerly called *Præcipitate per fe*, now calcined mercury. It may be combined with all metallic fubftances, except iron.

# HYDRARGYRUS PURIFICATUS.

Purified Quickfilver.—Iron not having the leaft affinity to mercury, is most useful in purifying it from any other metallic fubstance, by its inclination to attach itself to the extraneous matter. Quickfilver is frequently adulterated with bifmuth and lead; the latter of which may be known by its communicating a fweetish tafte to vinegar. It was formerly much used in its fluid state, as a remedy for the asthma, and in obstinate constipations of the bowels, but with very doubtful effect.

Most of the following mercurial preparations are more or lefs combined with acids, and are proportionably more or lefs violent in their action : others are fubtly divided by earthy, viscid, unctuous, and other substances, or calcined by heat, &c. From which comminution of particles they are enabled to enter the circulation, and by a particucular stimulus, promote the different fecretions, more espepecially that of the falivary glands, whether received by the absorbent vessels of the alimentary canal, or those of the stimule.

Calomel and other active mercurials, for a length of time, had been chiefly employed in the cure of venereal, glandular, cutaneous, and other chronic difeafes; but Drs. Clarke, Hamilton, and a few other ingenious men have proved their efficacy in the early ftage of acute inflammatory complaints, fuch as hepatitis, phrenitis, pleuritis, &c. when exhibited freely, both with and without opium, in repeated dofes, agreeable to the violence of the difeafe; and the ftrength of the conftitution-vide Calomelas.-Joined with camphor and opium they have also had a great good effect in fpafmodic complaints; and with fquill and the aromatic powder, much fervice has followed their use in anafarcous fwellings, &c.

# HYDRARGYRUS ACETATUS.

Acctated Quickfilver .- By the greater attraction of the kali to the nitrous acid, the quickfilver which was previoufly diffolved, is let fall in the form of a calx. This precipitate, after having been washed till perfectly infipid, is then diffolved in the acetous acid, evaporated, and fet by to cryftallize. This mercurial falt is the mildeft of the faline kind, and is faid to be the bafis of Keyfer's alterative and anti-venereal pill. From 1 to 6gr. are given twice in a day, made into a pill or two with the crumb of bread,

# HYDRARGYRUS CALCINATUS.

Calcined Quickfilver .- This tedious process will be haftened by using a wide-mouthed, flat-bottomed glass body; by means of which, air, which is effentially neceflary to calcination, will be more freely admitted. This medicine, with a finall portion of opium, is highly efteemed as an alterative and a diaphoretic, and in a confirmed lues.

From  $\frac{1}{2}$ gr. to 2gr. with  $\frac{1}{4}$  or  $\frac{1}{2}$ gr. of opium, made into a pill with the crumb of white bread, may be given every hight at bed time, with a draught of decost. farfæ or hordei; a full quart of which is generally taken in the day and night.

# HYDRARGYRUS CUM CRETA.

Quickfilver with Chalk .- In this medicine, lately called Mercurius Alkalifatus, the mercury is fubtly divided by triture,

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ture, and united by an abforbent earth. If duly prepared without an intermedium, it proves an ufeful alterative, and is given against cutaneous and venereal diforders, in dofes from 5 to 20gr. To prevent affecting the mouth. it is fometimes joined with a fmall quantity of rhubarb. It is certain that this preparation is rendered lefs active by diminishing the quantity of acid in the primæ viæ.

### HYDRARGYRUS MURIATUS.

Muriated Quickfilver.—Here the vitriolic acid quits the dried mafs, and unites itfelf with the foffil alkali, or natron of the fea falt; the acid of which, in the form of a fume, attaches itfelf to, and diffolves the calx of the quickfilver; which matter, by gradually increasing the heat, is fublimed into a white cryftalline mafs, and adheres to the upper part of the cucurbit. The vitriolic acid remains, united with the natron or alkaline bafis of the fea falt, at the bottom of the veffel.

This preparation, formerly called *Mercurius Corroficuus* Sublimatus, is a ftrong poifon, and till lately was thought too acrid to be ufed internally. It is now frequently given in finall dofes, from a  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  a gr. diffolved in a tpoonful or two of brandy or phlegm fpirit, and joined with a few drops of Tinct. Opii, once or twice a day; drinking with each dofe half a pint at leaft of barley water, farfaparilla decoction, or fuch like foft diluting drink; plentiful draughts of which are neceffarily taken with and after each dofe, to guard againft its griping corrofive quality. It is a very ufeful mercurial alterative, and is extremely ferviceable, from its quick effect, as a previous medicine to check the rapid fymptoms of the lues; but muft not be confided in as an *efficaciona* remedy for a confirmed firmed pox. It alfo promotes the cure of leprous and other eruptive complaints, and is fometimes fuccefsfully applied externally, in the form of a diluted folution, in the proportion of from 3 to 6 or 8gr. in a pint of water, or mixed with an oz. or 2 of Ungt. Adipis Suillæ. In fcorbutic and relaxed habits it will be proper to give from  $\frac{1}{2}$  a dr. to a dr. of the peruvian bark twice a day, during the courfe of this as well as every other mercurial alterative; and to keep the bowels in a regular ftate.

### CALOMELAS.

Calomel.—In this preparation it is abfolutely neceffary, that the ingredients be perfectly united by trituration before fublimation is begun; and every caution is requifite to guard the eyes and mouth of the operator from the lighter particles of the fublimate arifing in the procefs.— The corrofive quality of the muriated mercury is abated, in proportion to the quantity of frefh mercury that is combined with the acid and corrofive quality of the fublimate.

This white mercurial faline fubftance, formerly called Mercurius fulcis, is also much used as an alterative, in fmall doles from  $\frac{1}{2}$  a gr. to 2gr. once or twice a day, in the discass before-mentioned; and from 3 to 8 or rogr. joined with a moderate dose of rhubarb, it proves an efficacious purge to worms and bowel obstructions. A pill with rgr. of calomel, 2 of fulph. antimon. præcip. and  $\frac{1}{4}$ of a gr. of opium, taken once or twice a day, has proved an excellent alterative in venereal and glandular complaints. From 3 to  $\varsigma gr.$  joined with the fame quantity or more of camphor, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  a gr. of opium, have been administered repeatedly with great fucces, in the early stage of a pleurify, and have rendered repeated bleedings unneceffary. HYDRAR-

# HYDRARGYRUS MURIATUS MITIS.

Mild Muriated Quickfilver.—This is what was formerly called Mercurius dulcis præcipitatus; and is again introduced into practice by M. Scheele, under the name of Mercurius Dulcis; in which the folution of quickfilver being mixed with the folution of fea falt, a double attraction immediately takes place. The acid of the falt quitting its alkaline bafis; attaches itfelf to the quickfilver, and precipitates with it in the form of a white calx; whilf the nitrous acid unites itfelf to the alkaline bafis of the fea falt, and remains fufpended in the fluid; which after due evaporation yields a cubic nitre.

This medicine is given as an alterative only, in the fame dofe as calomel, and for the fame purposes; and is thought to render the tedious process of making the latter quite needlefs.

### CALX HYDRARGYRI ALBA.

White Calx of Quickfilver.—Corrofive fublimate confifts of mercury united with a large proportion of marine acid; in the preparation of calomel or mercurius dulcis, it is dulcified or rendered mild, by adding as much mercury as will fatiate the fuperabundant acid; whereas in this procefs, all the acid which is not fatiated is feparated.— The fixed alkali unites with the marine acid of the fublimate, and with the fame acid borrowed from the ammoniacal falt; by which means the volatile alkali is difengaged, and the mercury being deprived of its acid, is precipitated. The fal ammoniacus is both neceffary to the folution of the fublimate, and to the whitenefs of the precipitate.

This preparation is chiefly used in ointments, being too acrid for internal use.

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# PRÆPARATA EX HYDRARGYRO.

# HYDRARGYRUS CUM SULPHURE.

Sulphurated Quickfilver.—By continued trituration' the fulphur divides the quickfilver into fmall particles, and is intimately blended therewith. This is the *Æthiops Mine*ralis, which is preferibed in cutaneous difeafes, and joined with finall portions of rhubarb, is given againft worms. The dofe of the Æthiops may be from 10 to 40gr. twice a day. Many of the faculty are of opinion, that this preparation paffes through the alimentary canal without being taken up by the abforbent veffels; but it is a known fact, that in relaxed and watery habits both this and the following medicine have produced ptialifin.

#### HYDRARGYRUS SULPHURATUS RUBER.

Red Sulphurated Quickfibver.—This process has a more immediate and intimate effect than the foregoing; but care must be taken not to hasten the operation, for fear of a burst. This is the *Cinnabaris Factitia*, which was lately effecemed an efficacious medicine in cutaneous difeases, and in gouty, rheumatic, and epileptic cases; but it is supposed never to be active, except by *having left a portion of its fulphur*; which is the case when it is used as a fumigation against venereal ulcers in the nose, fauces, &c. The mercury is then resolved into a fume, and blended in part with a volatile vitriolic acid, derived from the fulphur. It is also a factitious vermillion, and is used as a pigment.

#### HYDRARGYRUS NITRATUS RÜBER.

Red Nitrated Quickfilver, or Red Precipitate.—The nitrous acid is here ufed as a menftruum in reducing the mercury to a calx; and the fire being increased to a greater degree of heat, changes the calx into red crystals: which which the fmall addition of mutriatic acid renders more bright and fparkling.

This preparation, by reafon of its corrofive nature, is only ufed as an efcharotic; and is applied for the purpofe of forming a new furface, by eroding the foul parts; callous edges, and loofe flefth of ulcers. It is often adulterated with minium, which gives it a dark hue, and may eafily be difcovered by the fweetifth tafte which it impartsto vinegar.

## HYDRARGYRUS VITRIOLATUS.

Vitriolated Quickfilver, formerly called Turpeth Mineral, and Mercurius Emeticus Flavus.—It is quickfilver diffolved in the vitriolic acid, calcined by the force of fire, and afterwards well wafhed. This preparation is of a ftrong acid nature, and is feldom ufed as an alterative. It is principally preferibed as a brifk emetic, in dofes from 1 to 4gr.; but there are other remedies of the alterative and emetic kind, which are lefsviolent, more fafe, and equally efficacious.

# PRÆPARATA EX PLUMBO.

Preparations of Lead.—Lead is found in mines in this and feveral other countries. It is one of the heavieft of metals, melts in a moderate heat, and calcines eafier than any other metal. It diffolves readily in nitrous acid, but with difficulty in the vitriolic; wines, vinous fpirits, and vegetable acids, in part diffolve it. Its calces are foluble by heat in expressed oils, from which are formed unguents, cerates, and plaisfters. Pure water has no effect on lead, but 96

but waters impregnated with acid, or with neutral falt, may acquire a noxious quality, by being lodged in leaden vésiels or cifterns, or in passing through leaden pipes.

Reduced to an afh coloured calx by fire, it forms plumbum ufum; exposed to a ftronger heat it becomes first yellow, then red, and is called minium or red lead. If the fire in this process be fuddenly raised to a great heat, the calx appears like oil; which, when cooling, gives a fost, flaky, yellowish, or reddish fubstance, called *Litbarge*; and if urged with a still stronger fire, it vitrifies.

## AQUA LITHARGYRI ACETATI.

Water of Acetated Livbarge,—Litharge is the calx of lead fufed by a hafty fire. It is also produced in the purification of filver from lead, and in the refining of gold and filver, by means of that metal; whence it is called litharge of filver and litharge of gold. It is either of a pale or deep colour, according to the degree of heat it has fuftained.

This water, as it is here called, is the former Acctum Lithargyrites of the Edinb. Difp. it is a folution of the Litharge in diffilled vinegar; which is an improvement of Goulard's Extract, being lefs incumbered with the Litharge in the boiling, and equally impregnating the vinegar.

## CERUSSA ACETATA.

Acctated Ceruffe.—Ceruffe is prepared from thin plates of lead, repeatedly exposed to the steams of vinegar, till they become eroded into a white powder, which is a calx of lead. This powder, tied up in a piece of muslin, and sprinkled lightly on running, or excorciated parts, is moderately cooling and drying.

## PRÆPARATUM E STANNO.

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The acetated ceruffe is vinegar faturated with ceruffe, evaporated and cryftallized. It formerly went under the name of *Sacebarum Saturni*, or fugar of lead. From  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 and 2gr. with  $\frac{1}{4}$  or more of a gr. of opium have been repeatedly and fuccefsfully preferibed, as a flyptic in uterine and other hæmorrhages. But the ufe of fuch medicines internally, require the greateft caution; lead, in all fhapes, being extremely noxious to the flomach and bowels, and to the nervous fyftem.

# PRÆPARATUM E STANNO.

Preparation of Tin.—Tin is the lighteft of all metals, its fpecific gravity, with refpect to gold, being as 3 to 8. It melts very readily, and calcines to a light greyish powder, its proper menstruum is aqua regia, or a mixture of nitrous and marine acid; other mineral acids may be made to act upon it in part—vegetable acids corrode it. Much has been faid against its medical use, on account of its affinity to arfenic, the garlic sepentedly administered by Dr. Alston, of from  $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. to an ounce, clearly prove, either that the quantity of arfenic therein contained is too infignificant, or 'that it is too intimately combined therewith to do any great harm.

## STANNUM PULVERATUM.

Powdered Tin.—The tin is here flightly calcined, but fome prefer the rafpings or filings to the calx or powder, however prepared. The powder has been given to chil-

# PRÆPARATA E ZINCO.

dren two or three times a day with treacle, in dofes from 10 to 40gr. and to adults from 1 to 2 or 3dr. or more. It was formerly given againft hyfteric and other nervous complaints, but is now chiefly exhibited, with intervening purgatives, againft worms.

# PR. EPARATA E ZINCO.

Preparations of Zinc.—Zinc is a heavy femi-metal, refembling lead in colour, and is obtained from Lapis Caliminaris, its ore, by fublimation. It melts in a red heat, and, when air is admitted, flames and fublimes into white downy flowers; but, when the air is excluded, with a ftronger heat it fublimes in a metallic form. It is foluble in all kind of acids, more particularly in that of fugar; and, as is the cafe with gold, fulphur does not touch it.

## ZINCUM CALCINATUM.

Calcined Zine.—Zinc being thus deprived of its phlogifton or connecting medium, the calx or flowers adhere to the fides of the crucible. This preparation is thought preferable to tutty, pompholix, or any other impure fublimates of the kind, or even to its native ore, calamine, for medicinal purpofes. It has been lately preferibed in epileptic cafes, and other fparmodic affections, in dofes of 2gr. and gradually increased to 6gr. or more, twice a day; but its effects are too uncertain to be depended upon.

### ZINCUM VITRIOLATUM.

Vitriolated Zinc, or White Vitriol, is a metallic falt formed of zinc and vitriolic acid; and when, by the addition of volatile

volatile alkali to a folution of this falt in water, it turns blue, or with a folution of galls it takes a purplift black colour, it gives fure marks of its containing copper or iron, and of its being adulterated. This preparation is a folution of white vitriol in diluted vitriolic acid, exhaled and cryftallized. Thus purified, it is far preferable to the common white vitriol, which frequently contains metallic impurities. The vitriolic acid is probably intended to prevent a decomposition of the metallic falt, which is not unlikely to be the cafe, when diffolved in fo great a proportion of water.

From 10 to 20gr. diffolved in water, it operates mildly and quickly as an emetic; which, on acount of its immediate effect, is a ufeful remedy where poifon has been fwallowed. It is faid to have been lately administered, with good effect, in dofes from  $\frac{1}{2}$ gr. to 1 or 2gr. in the chincough, and other spatimodic complaints. It has long been found ferviceable, as an aftringent and tonic collyrium for weak eyes; and by injection, for the relief of the fluor albus, gleets, and femilial weakneffes, in the proportion of 1 dr. to a pint.

# AQUÆ DISTILLATÆ.

Diffilled Waters.—The flavour and virtues of plants chiefly exift in their effential oils; which being difengaged by maceration, and diffolved in water or fpirit, rife with the vapour. Subfrances flrongly poffeffed of warmth, pungency, fcent, and flavour, are the general fubjects of H 2 this this procefs; whereas purging emetic, aftringent, bitter, fweet, cooling, emollient, and nutritious qualities, cannot be conveyed over the helm. The number of diffilled waters is greatly reduced, the most efficacious only being retained. They are principally used as vehicles to more active medicines.

## AQUA DISTILLATA.

*Difiilled Water* is freed from earthy, faline, or other extraneous matter, and is better fuited to the purpofes of pharmacy, than common water.

### AQUA ANETHI.

Dill-feed Water.—The dill is a ftrong fmelling umbelliferous plant, a native of Spain, but grows in our gardens. The leaves are finely divided, and its flowers are yellow; the feeds of a pale yellowifh colour, convex and flat, and nearly of an oval form. The feeds are better calculated for diffillation than any other part of the plant; they are warm and pungent, but not very agreeable to the taffe, and yield an arcmatic fmell.

# AQUA CINNAMONI.

Cinnamon Water. -Cinnamon is the inner bark of a beautiful laurel tree, which grows in the island of Ceylon, and in otheparts of the East Indies. It has a warm pungent aromatic tafte, and a fragrant smell, and possesses a grateful cordial aftringency. The substance is fometimes used in powder to affist and correct cold aftringents, in the quantity of from 3 to 5gr. or more for a dose, and has been taken in doses of 10gr. in a debilitated state of the intestines from continued diarrheas. A drop or two of the effential oil, theathed

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fheathed with mucilage or fugar, is an excellent ftomachic and cordial, when the appetite is loft, or the ftomach is too weak to retain its contents; it alfo gives relief in hiccoughs, arifing from irritability. This water is ftrongly impregnated with the cordial aftringent virtues of the fpice.

## AQUA FOENICULI.

Fennel Water.—Fennel water is diuretic and carminative; the feeds of this plantalfo are preferred to every other part.

Fæniculum dulce, or fweet fennel, is a well known plant. The feeds are long, narrow, and generally crooked, and of a pale yellowifh colour; they do not arrive at the perfection in England which they do in Germany, from whence the fhops are chiefly fupplied. This kind of fennel has a ftrong aromatic finell, and a warm pungent fweetifh flavour.

## AQUA MENTHÆ PIPERITIDIS.

Peppermint Water.—It contains the extreme pungency of the plant, warms the ftomach, and relieves flatulency. Vide Ol. Effent.

### AQUA MENTHÆ SATIVÆ.

Spcarmint Water ftrengthens the ftomach, and checks naufea or ficknefs, arifing from cold vifcid phlegm. The infufion is alfo an ufeful medicine. Vide Ol. Effent.

## AQUA PIMENTO.

All-fpice Water is a warm ftomachic, and ferves moft of the good purposes of waters drawn from the more costly fpices.

Pimente, Jamaica-pepper, or All/pice, is the dried fpicy berry of a large tree of the myrtle kind, which grows in H 3 the

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the mountainous parts of Jamaica. Its effential oil finks in water, and refembles in flavour a mixture of cloves, cinnamon, and nutmegs.

### AQUA PULEGII.

*Pennyroyal Water* is generally prefcribed as a vehicle for medicines of the antifpafmodic and deobftrent tribe. Pennyroyal has a warm pungent aromatic tafte, with a ftrong fmell, and is much given in infufion, as an aperient and deobftruent in hyfteric complaints, and uterine obftructions. Vide Ol. Effential.

### AQUA ROSÆ.

*Rofe Water* poffeffes the agreeable odour and flavour of the flower, but neither the opening quality of the damafk, nor the aftringency of the red rofe, will rife in diftillation. Vide Conferva Rofæ.

# SPIRITUS DITILLATI.

Diffilled Spirits.—Spirit rifes with lefs degree of heat than water, and the more flow the procels the more it is freed from phlegm. But although fpirit of wine is the moft powerful folvent of effential oils, they are known, in fome inftances, to be too ponderous to mix and rife together with the fpirit, on which account the virtues of fome plants are more equally imparted to water. The difference proceeds from the fpirit not being fufceptible of for

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great a degree of heat as water; it being proved that fpirit of wine will boil with 1-5th lefs heat than water.

## ALKOHOL.

Highly Rectified Spirit.—The kali, or alkaline falt, imbibes the remaining phlegm, and the difagreeable unctuous matter of the fpirit, and carries them down to the bottom of the veffel. A few particles of the kali will be apt to rife, which may be prevented by adding a fmall piece of burnt allum, the acid of which unites with the kali, and forms a vitriolated kali, which remains in the cucurbit. The true fpecific gravity of alkohol is, to that of diftilled water, as  $\$_{15}$  to 1000; whereas that of rectified fpirit is as  $\$_{35}$  to 1000.

*Rectified Spirit of Wine* contains in 100 parts 95 of alkohol and 5 of phlegm, and a pound, by meafure, fhould weigh 13 oz. Rectified fpirits are applied as menftrua to extract the virtues of medicines, are the fame from whatever fubjects they are obtained, are feparable from aqueous fluids by a heat lefs than boiling water, and diffolve effential oils; but expressed oils fink in them.

Spiritus Vinofus Gallicus, or the vinous fpirit, called brandy, properly diluted, and occafionally taken, is a pleafant ufeful cordial, but when habitually drank, will furely prove a defiructive poifon. Applied by itfelf, or moderately diluted with water, it diffipates the heat from inflamed parts without repelling the humour, which is not always the cafe with Goulard water, and other aqueous preparations.

Spiritus Fingus Tenuior.—Proof fpirit of wine contains 55 parts of alkohol, and 45 of diffilled water in 100 parts, and its fpecific gravity is as 930 to 1000 of diffilled water, II 4 That

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That which is prepared with rectified fpirit and diffilled water, is a more pure and certain menftruum than the *proof fpirit*, which is drawn from various fermented liquors.

### SPIRITUS ÆTHERIS VITRIOLICI.

Vitriolic Spirit of Æther is the dulcified fpirit of vitriol of the laft difpenfatory. This preparation is a combination of the vitriolic acid with fpirit of wine. In the continued procefs, the volatilized acid becomes fated with the inflammable oily matter of the fpirit, the compound of which proves a bituminous fulphureous mafs. This fpirit differs only from the following æther, by the acid being more predominant, and lefs intimately combined with the vinous fpirit. In this, as well as other proceffes of like nature, the acid fhould be added to the fpirit of wine in finall quantities, and each addition fhould be well incorporated. Vide Ol. Vini.

It promotes perfpiration and urine, and abates fpafmodic complaints; in fact, it is not much inferior in virtues to the Spirit. Æther. Vitriolic. Comp. or Hoffman's celebrated Anodyne Mineral Liquor. The dofe is from 20 to 60gtt. or more.

### ÆTHER VITRIOLICUS.

*Vitriolic Æther*,—The cauftic alkali is here ufed to take up the portion of vitriolic acid not intimately mixed in the preceding composition, by which means the finell and flavour are corrected. Were the mild alkali to be used for this purpose, the separation of its fixed air would endanger the burfting of the vessel.

Æther is the most volatile and inflammable of all fluids; its fpecific lightness, with respect to alkohol, is as 7 to 8.

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It powerfully diffolves oils, balfams, and refins, and is a particular folvent of caoutchouc or the elaftic refin. Applied externally to the afflicted part, it relieves the head and jaw ach, and eafes moft pains of the fpafmodic kind. Internally in dofes, from 1 fcr. to a dr. or more, it relieves' gouty, rheumatic, and hyfteric complaints, alfo convulfive diforders. The beft mode of exhibiting it is, with a tea-fpoonful of brandy in a cup of camphor mixture.

A composition has lately been obtruded upon the public, as being preferable to all others of the æther kind; but it is evident, that its fupreme excellence confifts only in the extravagant profit which it yields to the proprietor; and that the trick of colouring gives it the diffinctive mark.

## SPIRITUS ÆTHERIS NITROSI.

Spirit of Nitrous Æther.—The acid must be almost imperceptibly added to the spirit, for fear of violent ebullition; the same will also happen from changing the order of mixture. This is the *dulcified spirit of nitre*, which has been long held in great esteem, as a diuretic and cooling febrifuge. It may be given from 20 to 60gtt. or more repeatedly, in some smooth convenient vehicle; such as barley water, &c.

## SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ.

Spirit of Ammonia.—The marine acid of the ammonia is here taken up by the kali, and the volatile alkali being fet free, unites itfell by diftillation with the fpirit of wine. Pot-afhes, by poffeffingin part a cauftic quality, renders the preparation more pungent than it made with prepared kali, which is not fo certain in its ftimulating effects; it admits of more regular efferve.cence with acids. This, and the following following fpirit are ftrong ftimulants to the nervous fyftem, and are ufeful in lethargic, paralytic, hyfteric, and epileptic complaints. The dofe, from 1fcr. to 2, or more, according to its ftrength, in water or any other fuch vehicle. The volatile falt and fpirit of ammonia are the pureft of all this kind of medicine.

### SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ FOETIDUS.

Fætid Spirit of Annonia.—The addition of the fætid gum is thought to improve the foregoing medicine, by giving it a more powerful agency in fpafmodic afthmas, and other nervous complaints. The dofe is the fame.

The following fpirits are feldom exhibited by themfelves, but moftly as auxiliaries to other remedies; or, by their warmth, to correct and render faline and other draughts, mixtures, &c. more grateful to the flomach. Some of them are taken by way of cordial in the quantity of  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. or more; but great caution is neceffary in fuch practices.

## SPIRITUS ANISI COMPOSITUS.

Compound Spirit of Aniford is an elegant cordial ftomachic medicine. For Anifum vide Ol. Effential. Anifi.

Angelica is a large umbelliferous plant, with hollow jointed ftalks, and indented oval pointed leaves, fet in pairs, containing a milky juice, with channelled ribs on the upper fide. The *f.eds* are white or pale coloured, rather oval, flat on one fide—convex, and marked with three ridges on the other. The *rest* is long and thick, outwardly brown

brown and juicy. This plant is a native of the northern parts of Europe, but the Spanish fort is preferred. Every part, when fresh, yields a fweet fragant smell, and a pleafant bitterish glowing taste, but foon loses its flavour. The root is most efficacious, and sugar is its best prefervative, with which it makes an agreeable fweetmeat.

### SPIRITUS CARUI.

Spirit of Carraway is drawn from the feeds of the plant, and is an excellent ftomachic. For Caruon, vide Ol. Effen.

# SPIRITUS CINNAMOMI, PIMENTO, ET NUCIS MOSCHATÆ.

Spirit of Cinnamon, Pimento, and Nutmeg, are agreeable cordials and carminatives. For the two former, vide the diffilled waters.

Nux Mofchata, Myrifticha, or Nutmeg, is the kernel of a roundifh nut, produced from a tree growing in the Eaft Indies, and much refembling a pear tree; mace is its reticulated covering. It has alfo a foft flefhy outfide covering, which, when the nut is ripe, floots off fpontaneoufly, like that of a walnut. Both nutmug and mace are well known warm aromatic fpices.

## SPIRITUS JUNIPERI COMPOSITUS.

Compound Spirit of Juniper.—This fpirit has the fame warm carminative virtues, with the addition of a diuretic quality. For Juniper, vide Ol. Effential.

# SPIRITUS PULEGII, MENTHÆ PIPERITIDIS, ET SATIVÆ.

The Spirits of Pennyroyal, Pepper and Spear Mint, are carminative, flomachic, and antifpafmodic. Vide their refpective waters, and effential oils.

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### SPIRITUS RAPHANI COMPOSITUS.

Compound Spirit of Horferadi/b is ferviceable in phlegmatic conftitutions; it is ftimulating, diuretic, and antifeorbutic.

Raphanus Rufticanus, or horfe-radifh, is a perennial plant, with long large leaves, indented at the edges; it is cultivated in the gardens, both for medicinal and culinary ufes, but rarely perfects its feeds, it is therefore propagated from transfverse cuttings of the roots. The root only is used, which has a penetrating pungency, both in taste and so finell. An infusion of it with bruised mustard feed, either in wine or boiling water, acts as a stimulant and diuretic, and is often prefcribed, with fuccess, against dropsical and paralytic complaints. It is also an antifcorbutic.

# SPIRITUS RORISMARINI.

Spirit of Rofemary is chiefly used as a perfume, but is fometimes ordered in dofes, from 1 to 2dr. in nervous and fpafmodic complaints. It is the folvent in the *linimentum faponis*. For Rofemary, vide Ol. Effen.

### SPIRITUS LAVENDULÆ.

Spirit of Lawender is also of use, both as a perfume and a medicine, and is preferibed in the fame doses, and on the like occasions with rosemary. For Spiritus Lavendulæ Compositus, vide Tinct. Lavendul. Compos.

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DecoElions and Infufions.—Water extracts the active principles of the following preparations, and heat quickens, and in

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in fome cafes, increafes its action; but it is apt to diffipate the finer parts of fome fubjects, unlefs performed in covered veffels. Dried vegetables in general are allowed to yield more of their virtues, than those that are fresh. Water, by decoction, will extract also the gelatinous parts of animal fubfrances, and will take up a portion of the calcined calcareous earths. Water, when cold, diffolves a certain quantity of falts; if heated it takes up more, which furplus feparates as the liquor cools, and when quite cold it retains no more than it would do before the application of heat. It unites with gummy fubfrances until it is deprived of fluidity, readily extracts the gummy and faline parts of vegetables, and, in fome cafes, partakes of the refinous and oily principles, particularly when they are intimately connected with the former.

## DECOCTUM CORNU CERVI.

Decortion of Hart/born has an abforbent, and rather an aftringent quality; it is therefore generally ordered as a common drink in fevers attended with fluxes. Calcined hartfhorn is not preferable to the calx of any kind of bone, except that the former is cleaner and whiter. Vide Cornu Cervi Uftum.

#### DECOCTUM CINCHONÆ.

Decoction of Cinchona, or Peruvian Bark.— Although Bergins prefers the infufion of bark to the decoction, practice has proved, in this country, that neither of thofe preparations can be depended upon, in the cure of obftinate intermittents, or periodical complaints, petechial fevers, gangrenes, and other vehement diforders. The prefent mode of boiling this ufeful drug, both as to time and the covered

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covered veffel, is equally efficacious with former directions, and more conveniently adapted to weak ftomachs, and in flight cafes where tonics are required; otherwife, it ought only to be confidered as a vehicle to more fubftantial forms. It fhould be taken in the turbid ftate, the refinous part being but partially fufpended in an aqueous menftruum. The dofe is to be fuited to the occafion, and may be increafed from 1 to  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. repeatedly. Vide Extractum Cinchonæ.

# DECOCTUM PRO ENEMATE.

Decosition for a clifter.—This decoction is generally prefcribed as a vehicle to more active medicines, in the quantity of 10 or 1202. for which purpose warm water or thin gruel may be made substitutes.

The Malva, or Common Mallow, is a perennial plant, with roundifh notched leaves, fet alternately on pedicles; bell-fhaped monopetalous flowers, of a light purple, or white colour with deeper ftripes.

Both leaves and flowers are in ufe, are of the emollient kind, and employed in clyfters and fomentations. They are frequently ordered in infufion or tea, fweetened with honey, in gravelly and lithonthriptic diforders. For the nature of camomile flowers, vide Extract. Chamœmeli.

### DECOCTUM PRO FOMENTO.

Decoction for a fomentation.—Fomentations are not fo much depended upon as formerly, and may do as much harm as good. This is recommended as a warm diffutient.

Abrotonum, or fouthernwood, is a fhrubby plant, with leaves of a greyifh green colour, and finely divided into flender fegments; has a firong finell, and a pungent bitter tafte. It is used in fomentations only.

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Abfinthium Maritimum.—The leaves of fea-wormwood are much finaller than those of the common fort, and have an hoary appearance on both fides—the ftalks have the fame. It grows wild in the falt marshes, is a ftrong bitter, and was formerly much employed in medicated ales and wines, as a ftomachic, but is now chiefly used in diffutient fomentations. The effential oil has been fometimes applied externally to the abdomen, as a vermifuge. Vide Conferva.

Baccæ Lauri.—Bay-berries. Thefe are the produce of the laurus nobilis, which flourifhes in the fouthern parts of Europe, yet bears the cold of this climate. They have a bitter aromatic tafte, and contain both an unctuous and effential oil. Neither the leaves nor the berries are ufed internally, but both are fometimes ordered in fomentations and catapl..fms.

### DECOCTUM HELLEBORI.

Decoction of Hellebore.—This decoction is recommended as a fafe and efficacious application in cutaneous foulneffes, fuch as pfora, tinea, &c. but with tender fkins it requires to be diluted. It may be ufed twice a day.

Hell borus albus, or white hellebore, grows wild in Germany. The root, which is the part ufed, is flort, about an inch in thicknefs, with numerous hanging fibres; is externally brownifh—internally white. It has a naufeous acid tafte, and when frefh, emits a ftrong acrimonious juice, too powerful for internal ufe.

# DECOCTUM HORDEI SIMPLEX, ET COMPOSI-TUM.

Simple and Compound Decoction of Barley.—The former, when carefully prepared, is a grateful nutritive drink in acute

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acute difeafes; the latter is rather too fweet and mucilaginous, otherwife it would be an ufeful drink in acid defluxions on the throat and trachea, as well as in moft pectoral diforders.

Barley, freed from the hufk or fhell, is called French or Scotch barley. Pearl barley, called fo from its pearly whitenefs, is formed into finall grains, and comes in that fhape from Holland, all which is worked by mills.

Figs and Raifins are imported from Spain and the Levant, and are the well-known preferved fruits of the figtree and the vine.

For Liquorice, vide Extract. Glycirrhiz.

# DECOCTUM SARSAPARILLÆ SIMPLEX, ET COMPOSITUM.

Simple and Compound Decoction of Sarfaparilla.—This root confifts of many long ftrings, about the fize of a goofe quill, flexible and free from knots. They are covered with a thin brownifh coat, under which is a white fubftance, with a woody pith in the middle. It has a mouldy bitterifh tafte, but no fmell. Sarfaparilla is imported from Spanifh America, and is thought by fome to be highly efficacious in the cure of lues and fcrophula, with, and after a mercurial courfe: others fuppofe it has no greater effect than barley water, or any other obtunding liquor taken in large quanties.

Daphne Mezereum, commonly called Mezereon or fpurgeolive, is a native of Germany, but is cultivated in moft pleafure gardens. It bears elegant pale purplifh or white flowers in clufters, above which appear a few feffile, lancefhaped, tender leaves. The bark of the root is preferred to any other part, yet fome confide in the bark of the ftem,

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and the woody part of the root. Dr. Ruffel joined farfaparilla with mezereon, and pronounced it excellent in the cure of nodes, tophes, &c. of the venereal kind. He alfo gave it in a decoction, with equal fuccefs, without the farfaparilla, in the proportion of  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. of Cort. Rad. Mezer. in 6 pints of water, to be boiled down to four; adding at the latter end  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. of Rad. Glycirrhiz. incis. half a pint of which was given 3 or 4 times a day.

For the reft of the ingredients, vide Ol. Saffafras. Extract. Glucirrhiz. and Tinct. Guaiac.

Both the fimple and compound decoction of farfaparilla, are generally ordered in the quantity of half a pint 3 or 4 times a day. The famous *Lifbon diet drink* is faid to be the fame fort of preparation with the latter, excepting the abfurd addition of crude antimony.

#### DECOCTUM ULMI.

Decoction of Elm.—This preparation is given from the quantity of a pint and an half to a quart daily, towards the relief of leprous and other cutaneous diforders.

The Ulmus Campefiris, or elm, is a tall tree, commonly known; its outward bark is brown, rough, and brittle, the inner bark is white, fmooth, and tough, and free from any particular tafte or fmell. The decoction is flimy and mucilaginous, and perhaps fimply emollient, therefore not wholly to be depended upon.

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Mucilages and Gums are glutinous, vegetable, fubftances, foluble in water. Guins are most tenacious, and naturally I exude

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exude from the plant. Mucilages are feparated by art; both are ufed to correct acrimony and allay irritation. The three particularly noticed in the London Pharmacopœia, are those of *Amylum*, *Gummi Arabicum*, and *Semen Cydonii Mali*. The first is beneficial by way of clyster or otherwife, with a proper proportion of Tinct.Opii. in obstipate diarrheas, dysenteries, and tenessimes; the second ferves as an ufeful medium in compounding emulsions, lynctuss, &c. and is often dissolved in barley water, and given to correct acrimony, and to sheathe the urine and its passages, in strangury, difury, &c. the last, sweetened with fyr. mori, with a moderate addition of borax, composes an efficacious remedy against apthous and ulcerous complaints of the mouth and fauces. Vide Borax.

The *Malum*, or *Apple* of the quince, yields an auftere acid juice; the *Marmalade* is a pleafant aftringent, is efteemed a prefervative against fea fourvy, and covers well the rough bitter taste of the Peruvian bark.

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Infustors.—The gummy and faline parts of vegetables are readily extracted by a watery menstruum, and the refinous and oily principles, by being fo intimately blended with the former, are in great part taken up with them. In proof of which, we find that the whole substance of a gum-refin is foluble in water; also, that by an artificial mixture of gummy and faline matter, the pure effential oil and odorous refins, when separated from the other principles, may be made foluble in water.

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Moft vegetables, when moderately and newly dried, will yield their virtues more freely than when frefh, and fuch only are neceffarily infufed in their recent flate as are liable to receive injury by drying. It is further remarked, that hot water does not take up more than cold, provided the latter be allowed a longer time to infufe.

## INFUSUM GENTIANÆ COMPOSITUM.

Compound Infusion of Gentian.—This preparation is a light pleafant bitter, it ftrengthens the ftomach and reftores the appetite; but when flatulency prevails fhould be joined with about an eighth part of the Tinct. Cardamom. or fome other carminative. The dose of this infusion is a common wine glass full twice a day. For Gentian, vide Extract. Gentian.

### INFUSUM ROSÆ.

Infusion of the Rofe.—This infusion acts as a light aftringent, and helps to reftrain hæmorrhagy. In the latter eafe it may be given as freely as the ftomach and bowels can bear, in the quantity of 2 oz. or more, at a time. It is fometimes joined with Deeoct. Cort. Peruv. and a few gtt. of Tinct. Opii. The former infusion called Tinct. Rofarum. is more pleafantly acidulated with the undiluted aeid of vitriol. This preparation should not be made in a glazed veffel, the aeid tending to corrode its covering.

# INFUSUM SENNÆ SIMPLEX, ET TARTARISA-TUM.

Simple and Tartarifed Infusion of Senna.—There are about 3 dr. of Senna to 4 oz. of water in each of these preparations, which quantity may serve for two gentle doses. That

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with the cryftals of tartar is leaft apt to occafion gripings. The first is frequently joined with a dr. or two of neutral purging falt, which also tends to correct the griping quality. Vide Extract. et Tinct. Sennæ.

Zingiber, or ginger, is a hot pungent root brought from the Eaft and Weft Indies. It is a warm ftimulant, and of use in a weak tone of the ftomach and bowels, and in languid habits—may be given from 3 to 20 gr. It is commonly used to correct purgative medicines, &c. and enters feveral compositions.

Coriandrum.—Coriander is an umbelliferous annual plant, a native of Italy, and cultivated in England. It produces fpherical *fceds*, which are the parts in use; they are carminative, and are faid to be particularly corrective of the odour, tafte, and griping quality of Senna.

Tartarum.—Tartar is a faline concrete thrown off from wines, after fermentation, to the fides and bottoms of the containing veffels. There are two kinds, the white and the red, the former is generally most pure in its natural flate. It requires ten or twelve times its weight of water for folution, but must be affisted by a boiling heat, on the declenfion of which it immediately fhoots into cryftals; with twenty times its weight of water boiling it admits of If the filtered folution be confiltration before it fhoots. tinued boiling, the falt rifes to the furface in thick pellicles, which are repeatedly fkimmed off with a perforated wooden skimmer, and form what is called Cremor Tartarri, or cream of tartar. This has the general properties of an acid, yet tartar is abfolutely a neutral falt, composed of vegetable alkali, fuperfaturated with vegetable acid. Much trouble and great accommodations are neceffary in this procefs, we are, therefore, chiefly fupplied with thefe articles by the refiners and traders in Holland and France. Purified

Purified tartar is gently aperient and cooling, from  $\frac{1}{2}$  dr. to 1 dr. 2 or 3 dr. prove laxative—more, moderately purgative; but its acid quality is too prevalent for tender bowels to bear in the larger quantities. It is frequently given with jalap, duly corrected with ginger, as a hydragogue.

## AQUA CALCIS.

Lime Water.—If the folution be exposed to the air, either during the preparation or afterwards, repeated crufts or pellicles will form on the furface of the water, the fucceffive precipitations of which are caufed by the abforption of the aerial acid from the atmospherical air, which renders them mild and infoluble. The fermentation arising in the compound preparations of lime water, is found to precipitate the lime in its fluid flate—therefore they receive but little benefit from its caufticity.

Line water has been given in repeated draughts from 6 oz. up to a pint, or more, in a day, with or without a fourth or fifth part of milk, against leucorrheas, diabetes, and acidities. It is fometimes applied as a wash to foul ulcers, and by injection for the relief of the fluor albus, and other preternatural discharges.

## ACETUM SCILLÆ.

Vinegar of Squills.—It will be proper to add the fpirit before the vinegar is poured off from the faces, by which means, the purification is rendered perfect without fecond trouble. It is a powerful flimulant, and an attenuant of tough vifcid phlegm, relieves the afthma, and proves diuretic in hydropic and other complaints, and may be given from 20 to 60 gtt. or more, repeatedly, in an aromatic water, or with Lac Ammoniacum. Vide Scillæ Exficcatio. VINA

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Medicated Wines.—The confituent principles of wine, are water, alcohol, a peculiar acid, tartar, and an aftringent gum-refinous fubftance, in which the colour of the red wines is lodged. Vinous liquors being a compound of water and inflammable fpirit, will take up fuch parts of vegetable and animal matter as are foluble in thofe liquors; but the vifcous fubftance, with which fome of them abound, renders them lefs powerful menftrua than pure mixtures of water and fpirit. A fubtle acid alfo reftrains their action on fome vegetable and animal fubjects, but it enables them to diffolve the active parts of metallic bodies; as in fteel, antimony, lead, &c. A twentieth part of proof fpirit at leaft fhould be added to all medicated wines when ftrained off, to prevent fermentation, and they fhould be kept in glafs bottles well corked.

# VINUM ALOËS.

Wine of Aloes.—This is an improvement of the Tinclura Sacra, and is an excellent warm aperient, or purgative, in phlegmatic, paralytic, and apoplectic cafes. The dofe is, from 6 dr. to 2 oz. A defert or large fpoonful, with a dr. or tea-fpoonful of Tinct. Lavend. C. taken repeatedly, about noon, or at bed time, has been often beneficial in dvfpepfia, and cephalalgia. Vide Tinct. Aloes.

### VINUM ANTIMONII.

Antimonial Wine.—This preparation was formerly made with the Crocus Antimonii, but the Vitrum, or glafs, is now preferred. From 10 to 50 gtt. it proves diaphoretic and and alterative, in larger dofes diuretic and carthartic. With or without a fourth part, or more, of Tinct. Opii, and made into a draught, with mint water and fpirit of cinuamon, it is an excellent diaphoretic in painful and inflammatory fymptoms; 3 or 4 dr. of the wine are ftroughy emetic in most habits. It is used in fevers and rheumatism in the finaller dofes, and occasionally in the larger quntities, for the relief of maniacal and apoplectic diforders.

# VINUM ANTIMONII TARTARISATI.

Wine of Tartarifed Antimony is used on the fame occasions with the foregoing, in doses, from 20 to 40 gtt. or a teafpoonful, and from a dr, to 2 dr. as an emetic.

### VINUM FERRI.

Wine of Iron.—This fimple composition is, in fome measure, preferable to the *Vinum Chalybeatum*, of the former pharmacopœia, the cinnamon of which, by its aftringent matter uniting with a part of the iron, throws down an inky precipitate, and probably changes the properties of the feparated fubftances. This is an excellent remedy in chlorotic cafes, and in debilitated phlegmatic conftitutions, but should be cautiously administered in habits of a contrary nature. The dose is from 1 dr. to  $\frac{1}{2}$  cz. twice a day, in a light bark or bitter infusion.

### VINUM IPECACUANHÆ.

Ipecacuanha Wine.—This preparation is a fafe, pleafant emetic, in dofes from 2 dr. to an ounce and a half, and is often given as a gentle diaphoretic, in dofes, from 20 to 40 gtt. with a fourth part, or more, of Tinft. Opii.

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Ipecacuanha Root is brought from Spanish America; there are three forts of it vended by the druggists, the ashcoloured, or Peruvian, the brown from Brazil, and the white, or bastard fort, which is a kind of apocynum, or dog's bane. The leading marks of the first and last are brittleness, deep wrinkles, a bitterish taste, and a greyish ash colour.

### VINUM RHABARBARI.

Wine of Rhubarb.—The rhubarb wine is excellent in colics, arifing from a redundancy of acid vifcid phlegm, and relieves and ftrengthens the inteffines in diarrheas arifing from fimilar caufes. The dofe from  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. to 1 oz. or more.

The beft *Root of Rbubarb* is brought from Turkey and Ruffia in light round pieces, with a hole in the middle of each; it is externally yellow, and internally variegated with reddifh and yellow ftreaks. An inferior fort, and of a more purgative quality, is imported from the Eaft Indies, in long, flinty, firm pieces.—The firft kind powdered may be taken as a purge, in dofes from 1 fcr. to 1 dr. the latter from 10 to 30 gr.

# TINCTURÆ.

*Tinctures.*—The word Tincture is more particularly applicable to the extraction of colour, but is generally underftood in a medical fenfe to figuify the acquirement of the effential parts of vegetable and other fubftances, by means of a fuitable menftruum; and the appellation is here rather arbitrarily arbitrarily confined to fpirituous preparations. The effential oils and refins of vegetables are wholly foluble in rectified fpirit of wine. Water has equal effect on the gummy mucilaginous and faline parts, and proof fpirit is nearly adapted to the whole.

In fome cafes it has been found neceffary to add water to the latter, and it is poffible for the menftruum to be fo proportioned as to take up the whole of the foluble parts of moft vegetable fubjects. It may be obferved, that the addition of fixed alkali does not affift the folvent power of a menftruum, and that moft of the tinctures are exhibited in fuitable draughts or mixtures.

# TINCTURA ALOËS.

*Tinclure of Alocs* is a mild preparation, and may be taken in the fame mode and dofe as the Vinum Aloes.

Aloes is the infpiffated juice of a plant of the fame name, which has a naufeous bitter tafte, and a warm purgative quality. There are three forts in ufe, the Socotrine, the Hepatic, and the Caballine, or Horfe Aloës.

The Socotrine, which comes to us wrapt in fkins, is in general preferred to the reft, and takes its diffinctive name from Socotora, an ifland in the Indian Ocean, this and the Hepatic, which is brought in gourd fhells from the ifland of Barbadoes, are most fuitable to the human frame. The Socotrine is a friable fubstance, has a glosfy furface, is of **a** bright yellow colour when powdered, and yields a flight aromatic flavour.

The Hepatic is of a dark colour, more compact and dry, has a ftronger fmell and tafte, and is more difagreeable to the palate.

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The Socotrine contains more gummy fubftance than the Hepatic, is therefore liable to act with greater irritation, and is more apt to purge.

Aloes, in dofes of a few grs. is occafionally mixed into pills, with a third or equal part of fome faponaceous or refolvent body, fuch as Extract. Gentian. and Glycirrhiz. fapo albus, or the like, and is feldom given in large dofes, or to hot bilious habits. It is a flow but fure working purge, and is generally taken at bed-time, feldom operating until the next day. Aloes operates particularly upon the rectum; its preparations are, on that account, fometimes employed in the larger dofes, to produce the bleeding piles, when they have been fuddenly and injurioufly fuppreffed.

# TINCTURA ALOËS COMPOSITA.

Compound TinEture of Aloes is an improvement of the antient Elixir proprietatis. It is a warm flimulant, aperient, and emmenagogue. The dofe is a tea-fpoonful, or more, two or three times a day, in a cup of pennyroyal tea.

#### TINCTURA ASÆ FOETIDÆ.

Tincture of Afa-fatida.—The tincture being made with rectified fpirit, contains little more than the refinous part; on which account it is perfectly clear, but it is far from being poffeffed of equal powers with the real fubftance, or an aqueous folution of it. It is commonly given, from half a dr. to a dr. or more, repeatedly, in fome fuitable draught or vehicle.

Afa-fætida is a ftrong fmelling concrete juice, or gumrefin, exuded from the root of a large umbelliferous plant that grows in Perfia. It has an acrid tafte and fmell like garlic, garlic, and confifts of about two-thirds gummy matter, and one-third pure refin; it is therefore more foluble in an aqueous than a fpirituous menftruum.

It is an excellent medicine in all fpafmodic and convulfive complaints, particularly in hyfteric and and hypochondriag affections, and the nervous afthma; and may be adminiftered in the form of pills, a watery folution, or tincture. From 1 to 2 dr. of the fubftance, diffolved in 4 or 6 oz. of diffilled water, have been often adminiftered with fuccefs, by way of clyfter, in ftrong convulfions. The dofe in fubftance may be from 10 to 20 gr. or more, repeatedly.

## TINCTURA BALSAMI TOLUTANI.

Tincture of Balfam of Tolu.—This tincture is given in the quantity of a tea-fpoonful, or two, in the fame complaints with that of Peru. It possifies all the virtues of the balfam; and, mixed with the simple fyrup, it forms a fyrup, far preferable in virtue and effect to that which is made from the aqueous decoction. Care should be taken that the tincture be made with a pure spirit, otherwise it will yield a naufeous flavour.

Balfamum Tolutanum flows from a fort of pine tree, which grows in the northern part of South America, and is brought to us in fmall gourd fhells. It has a foft aromatic refinous tafte, and a very pleafant fragant fmell. It wholly diffolves in rectified fpirit of wine, but yields little or none of its virtues to water, and is given in fubflance from 5 to 20 grs. or more, after the fame manner, and for the fame complaints as the balfam of Peru. Vide the Syrup.

### TINCTURA BALSAMI PERUVIANI.

Tincture of Balfam of Peru.—This tincture takes up the whole of the balfam, and may be given in the quantity of a tea-spoonful, or two, at a dose.

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*Balfamum Peruvianum* is faid to be a watery extract from an odoriferous tree, growing in Peru. It has a warm fub-acrid aromatic flavour, and a fragrant fmell—is a ftrengthening attenuating medicine, and is prefcribed in difpepfy, fpafins, &c.'and in cold debilitated habits—alfo in gleets and weakneffes. The dofe is from 6 to 30 gr. repeatedly, mixed into a draught with egg, fugar, or honey.

# TINCTURA BENZOËS COMPOSITA.

Compound Tineture of Benjamin.—This composition is a just reform of the famous Turlington's Balfam, and is much used, externally, to fresh wounds and cold tumours—internally it is given up to a dr. or more, repeatedly, in the form of an emulsion, mixed up with egg, or honey, against spasmodic affections of the stomach and bowels; and, united with sugar, or gum-mucilage, it abates tickling coughs, and pectoral complaints, when free from inflammatory symptoms. For Benzoin and Storax, vide Flor. Benzoës and Styracis Purificatio.

## TINCTURA CANTHARIDIS.

Tincture of the Spani/h Fly.—This tincture is given as a powerful ftimulant and diuretic, and is much recommended in the dry leprofy, and other cutaneous diforders, alfo in fome habits for the relief of paralytic complaints. From 10 to 40 gtt. have been taken, two or three times a day, in a cup of mucilaginous drink, without occafioning painful fymptoms, whereas, many have not been able to bear more than a flight dofe or two, without producing ftrangury, and otherwife difordering the fyftem. It is therefore neceffary to begin with a fmall dofe, and gradually to increafe it, according to its effect; alfo to defift giving it on the approach of heat of urine, or painful irritation in the urinary urinary passages. Such fymptoms, if attended to at firft, may be easily removed by fost demulcent and mucilaginous liquors, and are not likely to prevent a future use of the medicine.

*Cantharides* are infects of a greenifh colour, intermixed with a blue and gold, and are commonly found on the leaves of trees and flurubs in Spain, France, and Italy. They are fraught with a peculiar acrid fubftance, by means of which, when applied to the fkin in the cuftomary form' of a plaifter, or ointment, they inflame, excoriate, and blifter. The Spanifh Fly has been frequently given in dofes of a gr. or two, joined with three or four times the quantity of camphor, in cold phlegmatic habits, for the relief of the complaints mentioned under this article ; but the tincture is efteemed the fafeft preparation for internal ufe.

## TINCTURA CARDAMOMI.

Tincture of Cardamon.—The lefs cardamom feeds are the produce of a plant, with reed-like ftalks, which grows in the Eaft Indies; they are triangular, and contained in hufks of the fame fhape, in which their virtues are well preferved. The *feeds* are of a brown colour without, white within, and have a pleafant aromatic warm flavour, which is chiefly extracted in this preparation. They are a warm cordial ftomachic, and may be taken in powder, from 5 to 10 gr. The dofe of the tincture is from 1 to 3 dr. and both are frequently employed as correctors to medicines of the cold aperient clafs.

# TINCTURA CARDAMOMI COMPOSITA.

Compound Tineture of Cardamon.—This is also a warm ftomachic tincture, and is often ordered by itfelf, or in ftomach

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fromach draughts, and fometimes up to  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. or more joined with Æther. and Tinct. Opii. against gouty and other spafmodic affections of the stomach and præcordia. The quantity of raisins diminishes the power of the spices in too great degree.

## TINCTURA CASCARILLÆ.

Tineture of Cafearilla.—This tineture is well fraught with the active power of the bark itfelf, and may answer its purposes in most cases. The dose is, from 1 to 3 dr. repeatedly, in some convenient draught or mixture. For the nature of the bark, vide Extract. Cascarillæ.

### TINCTURA CASTOREI.

Tincture of Caftor.—Caftor is a firong fmelling fatty fubflance, taken from facculi, which are fituated near the rectum of the beaver, an amphibious animal, that inhabits the northern parts of Europe and America. This drug has an acrid bitter tafte, and foctid fmell, and is compounded of an earthy matter, a gum-refin, a volatile fpirit, and a fragant oil.

Caftor is a warm nervine anti-hyfteric medicine, and may be taken, in powder, from 10 to 20 gr. repeatedly. The dofe of the tincture is from a fcr. to a dr.

The Edinburgh College gives a far preferable composition from the addition of the afafætida, but more immediately from the change of mensfruum, viz. take of Russi castor 1 oz. afafætida  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. vinous spirit of fal ammoniac 1 pint—digest for fix days.

The Spiritus Salis Ammoniaci Vinofus is a folution of the volatile falt in fpirit of wine, and of the fame nature with the fpiritus ammoniæ of the London Pharmacopæia. TINCTURA

## TINTURA CATECHU.

Tincture of Catechu.—One, two, of three dr. of this Tincture, may be taken in red wine, or fome proper vehicle, in obstinate purgings, and in most cafes where mild aftringents are proper. The cinnamon is a prostable addition, it warms the stomach and increases the astringency.

Catechu is the Indian name for what is erroneoufly called japan earth. It is an infpiffated juice, produced from a tree of the Mimofa kind, which grows in the province of Bahar in the Eaft Indies. It is of a reddifh brown colour, and has an aftringent, with rather a fweetifh tafte; it wholly diffolves in water, and nearly fo in rectified fpirit of wine leaving little more than the impurities. It is a mild fheathing aftringent in obftinate diarrheas and dyfenteries; if taken in the form of troches, it blunts the acrid rheum of catarrhal defluxions. The dofe, in powder, is from 10 to 60 gr.

### TINCTURA CINNAMOMI.

Tincture of Cinnamon is a warm aftringent, and is particularly useful in obstinate diarrheas and excessive vomitings, when medicines of that class are proper. The dose from 1 to 3 dr. The tincture partakes both of the restringent and aromatic virtues, which is not the case with the Aq. Cinnam. q.v.

### TINCTURA CINNAMOMI COMPOSITA.

Compound Tineture of Cinnamon.—This tineture is a warm carminative and aftringent, more powerful than the former, and better fuited to cold debilitated habits. It is of use in the like complaints, and the dose is the fame.

#### TINCTURA COLOMBÆ.

Tincturi of Colomba.—One or two dr. of this Tincture may be given at a dole, repeatedly.

Colomba .- The root is brought to us from the East Indies, and is the part in use. It comes in roundifu pieces, which are covered with a rough brown bark, and, when cut transverfely exhibit a large central disk, with brown streaks, and yellow points. It is a good ftomachic bitter, and has a ftrong antifeptic quality-foftens on chewing, and tinges the faliva with a flight yellow hue. This root is confidered in the Eaftern parts as an excellent remedy in bilious complaints, particularly in the cholera morbus, having firft cleanfed the ftomach and bowels with thin fmall liquids ; and, as it does not belong to the clafs of heating bitters, it may be used in hectic cafes: it is also particularly ferviceable in finkings at the pit of the ftomach, and habitual vomitings. The powder is generally preferred to the tincture, and is given repeatedly, from 10 to 30 gr. and, in acute bilious cafes, fhould be joined with equal parts of vitriolated kali. Vide Percival's Effays, vol. ii.

## TINCTURA CORTICIS AURANTII.

Tinclure of Orange Peel.—The outer rind of Seville . orange contains, in little cells, a ftrong effential oil, and yields a grateful aromatic bitter, both which qualities are thus extracted. It is carminative—ftrengthens the tone of the ftomach—and is well calculated for cold phlegmatic, habits. The dofe of the tincture is a tea-fpoonful, or two, twice a day, in fome fit vehicle.

# TINCTURA CORTICIS PERUVIANI, VEL CIN-CHONÆ.

Tincture of Cinchona, or Peruvian Bark.—This tincture is generally added to the decoction, or fome other vehicle. It

It is often joined with the mild, or volatile, faline draught in remittent fevers, as a preparative to the bark. The dofe is from 1 to 2 or 3 dr. repeatedly.

# TINCTURA CINCHONÆ COMPOSITA.

Compound Tinteure of Cinchona.— This is the famed medicine, called Huxbam's Tinteure of Bark, which derives no extraordinary qualities from either the faffron or fnakeroot, except an unpleafant tafte and colour. It is given as a ftomachic and reftorative, in the fame dofe as the preceding article, and is often ordered to be taken in dyfpeptic complaints, with a cup of camomile tea, twice or thrice a day.

# TINCTURA FERRI MURIATI.

Tincture of Muriated Iron.—This is a folution of the metal in the marine acid, dulcified, or rendered milder, by its combination with the rectified fpirit. If properly prepared it will be of a yellowifh red; when the acid is too prevalent it has a greenifh hue, and if the fpirit be impregnated with the aftringent matter of an oak cafk, it takes an inky colour.

This tincture is generally more fpeedy and certain in its effect than most other preparations of iron—its virtues are the fame. From 10 to 60 gtt. of it may be taken in water, camomile tea, or decoction of bark, two or three times a day. Vide Ferrum Vitriolatum.

### TINCTURA GALBANI.

*Tinclure of Galbanum.*—This folution is given up to a dr. or more for a dofe, in nervous complaints.

Galbanum is the femi-pellucid, tenacious, concrete, gumrefinous juice, of an umbelliferous African plant. It is K brought

brought to us in pale coloured foft maffes, composed of clear whitiful tears, intermixed with the ftalks of the plant, which by time turn brown. It has a ftrong difagreeable finell, and a warm bitteriful tafte; and its beft folvent is a mixture of two parts fpirit of wine, and one of water. It is an ingredient in the gum pill, and the gum plaifter, and is recommended as a warm antifpafmodic against nervous and hysteric diforders, asthmas, and obstruction of the menses. Diffolved in vinegar, it has been fuccessfully employed against indolent tumours, and, united with common plaister, it promotes suppuration.

### TINCTURA GENTIANÆ COMPOSITA.

Compound Tincture of Gentian.—This is an elegant bitter, and may ferve to ftrengthen the ftomach and help digeftion. It answers beft as as a fpirituous addition to the watery infusion, which is requisite to fome habits. The dofe is from 1 to 3 dr. twice a day. Vide Infus. Gent. Comp.

### TINCTURA GUAIACI.

Tincture of Guaiacann is a warm ftimulating diaphoretic medicine, and is much ufed in the wandering gout and chronic rheumatifm, when properly combined with fome aqueous mixture, by means of honey, fugar, egg, or gummucilage. The dofe is a tea-fpoonful or two twice or thrice in twenty-four hours. The Edinburgh Elixir Guaiacinum has equal efficacy, and is better adapted to weak and irritable ftomachs. It is prepared with 1lb. of the gum, 3 dr. of Balfam of Peru, and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lb of rectified fpirit of wine, and may be given, from 1 to 3 dr. morning and evening, in milk, or any other convenient vehicle.

Gum Guaiacum abounds much in refin, and is obtained by incifions made in the trunk of a tree, called Guaiacum,

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Lignum Vitte. It is friable, of a dufky greenifh colour, and has an actid pungent tafte—it is chiefly brought from the Weft Indies. A decoction of the wood and bark was formerly much confided in, as an alterative, and a cure for the lues venerea, and fcorbutic rheumatifuns; alfo in cutaneous foulneffes, or herpetic difeafes. The fubftance is given from 6 to 20 gr. but the larger dofe is apt to purge brifkly.

## TINCTURA HELLEBORI NIGRI.

Tincture of Black Hellebore.—The Extract is milder than the powder; but the tincture is generally preferred to either, and is given as an emmenagogue, in the quantity of a teafpoonful, or more, with a cup of pennyroyal tea, two or three times a day. It is beft fuited to fanguine conftitutions. Vide Extract. Helleb. N.

## TINCTURA JALAPII.

Tincture of Jalap.—The fpirit takes up all the refinous part, and but little of the gummy. It is given with fyrup, and is frequently added to purgative draughts to quicken their operation, in the quantity of 2 or 3dr. Vide Extr. Jalap.

## TINCTURA LAVENDULÆ COMPOSITA.

Compound Tincture or Spirit of Lawender.—This tincture is a warm ftimulating aromatic, and is much used in languors, head-aches, vertigoes, and paralytic affections of the tongue. It is given in doses from 30 gtt. to 2 dr. upon a lump of fugar, or in mixture.

The Flowers of Rofemary have the fame medicinal quality, and are often used in infusion or tea, for the fame complaints,

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The *Red Saunders*, which is brought in billets from the East Indies, is of no other use in medicinal preparations, than imparting a fine colour.

### TINCTURA MYRRHÆ.

Tincture of Myrrb is feldom ufed, except as the basis of fome officinal composition, or in detergent gargles and lotions. The tincture may be taken from half a dr. to 2 dr. for a dofe, mixed with a third or fourth part of mel rofæ—it has been often ufefully applied to fanious ulcers and carious bones. The combination of the two fpirits answers well in this preparation. Vide Alkohol, &c.

Myrrba is the gum-refinous concrete juice of a tree, growing in the Eaftern part of Africa, and is imported in brown and reddifh yellow coloured tears. It has an aromatic bitter, but rather naufcous tafte, and a fragrant finell warms and ftrengthen the vifcera, attenuates vifcid lymph, prometes the fecretions, removes uterine obftructions, and and refifts putrefaction. It is therefore recommended in obftinate intermittents, hectic, and cachectic habits, and in putrid and peftilential fevers. It is given, from rogr. to a dr. or more, in the form of a bolus, or in an aqueous vehicle, after the manner of the lac ammoniacum. Dr. Griffin joined it with 3 or 4 gr. of Fer. Vitriolat. in hectic cafes.

#### TINCTURA OPÍI.

Tincture of Opium.—It has been proved by experiment that white wine does not take up fo much ftrained opium as proof fpirit does, by nearly one-third, which accounts for the quantity of opium being fo much reduced in the prefent tincture. From 5 to 10 gtt. may be taken as a fedative,

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tive, and from 10 to 25 gtt. as a narcotic—the latter quantity being reckoned equal in its effect with 1gr. of folid opium. For further particulars, vide Opium Purificatum.

## TINCTURA OPII CAMPHORATA.

Campborated Tincture of Opium.—In this tincture the quantity of each article is fo fmall, that one would fuppole its effect to be increafed above meafure, by a peculiar combination of its contents, half an oz. containing about 1gr. of opium; it might fafely be taken in much larger dofes than are generally prefcribed, or the proportion of opium might be increafed. It is anodyne and diaphoretic, and contributes much to the relief of phthifical and tickling coughs. The quantity given to children is from 5 to 20 gtt. to adults from 30 to 60gtt. or more.

# TINCTURA RHABARBARI.

- Tinclure of Rbubarb.— This is a warm laxative medicine, chiefly given in the cholic, or in griping pains, from weaknefs in the ftomach and bowels. It carries off the offending matter, and at the fame time ftrengthens the tone of the vifcera. The dofe is from 2dr. to 1 oz. or more.

# TINCTURA RHABARBARI COMPOSITA.

Compound Tincture of Rhubarb.—This is a lefs fpirituous preparation than the former, therefore better adapted to delicate bowels. It may be taken from 1 to 2 or 3 fpoonfuls, according to circumftances. Vide Vinum Rhabarbari.

### TINCTURA SABINÆ COMPOSITA.

Compound Tincture of Savin.—The tinctures of caftor and myrrh, both which drugs are also confidered as emmena-

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gogues, are the folvents of the extract, and form this tincture. The dofe is 20 to 40gtt. or more, in a cup of pennyroyal tea. Vide Extract. Sabinæ.

#### TINCTURA SCILLÆ.

Tincture of Squill.—The leaft naufeous mode of exhibiting this drug is in the form of a pill, which is generally preferred. This preparation is given, from 20 to 60 gtt. or more, repeatedly, according to its effect on the primæ viæ. For its nature and virtues, vide Scillæ præparatio, et Acetum Scillæ.

#### TINCTURA SENNÆ.

Tincture of Senna.—This preparation is frequently prefcribed with the infufion, and ferves both to correct the griping quality and quicken its effect. The dofe of the tincture is from 2 dr. to an oz. Two or three fpoonfuls of the following formula is frequently prefcribed with fuccefs in coftive habits, and acts generally without griping. R. Infuf: Sennæ. 3 oz. Magnes. Vitriolat. 3 dr. Tinct. Sennæ. 4 dr. M.

## TINCTURA SERPENTARIÆ.

Tincture of Snake Root.—The virtues of this root may be extracted, both by a fpirituous and an aqueous menstruum. The dose of the tincture is from 1 to 2 dr. or more.

Serpentaria is a fpecies of Ariftoloch, and is brought from Virginia. The root is a bundle of fibres matted together, and iffuing from one common head; it has a warm bitterifh tafte, and an aromatic finell. It is faid to be a famous remedy in America for venomous bites, but is ufed in this country as a warm cordial diaphoretic, in the decline of flow

flow and epidemic fevers; and, in fuch cafes, is often joined with the bark, either in decoction or fubftance.

#### TINCTURA VALERIANÆ.

Tincture of Valerian.—A tea-fpoonful or two of this preparation is frequently taken in a cup-full of an infufion of the root, for its relief of nervous languors, finkings in the præcordia, &c.

Valeriana.—The root of the narrow-leaved valerian, which does not grow higher than two feet, and is to be found on dry heaths, is by far the most powerful fort. This has also matted fibres proceeding from one head; it is of a brownish colour—has a fætid fmell, and is warm and subacrid to the taste. The powder was formerly much used in epileptic and paralytic affections, in doses, from half a dr. to 2dr. three or four times a day, but is now chiefly employed as an antispasmodic, and more particularly in the Hemicrania.

## TINCTURA VALERIANÆ VOLATILIS.

*Volatile Tincture of Valerian.*—The volatile fpirit is efteemed a preferable menftruum to proof fpirit, and adds much to the medicinal effect. It may be given up to 1 dr. or more, in a cup of the infufion, or of camphor mixture.

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Mixtures.—This term is rather indefinite, and firictly taken includes every kind of compound, but is here meant

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to comprehend juleps, emulfions, folutions, and other preparations of the extemporaneous kind.

#### MISTURA CAMPHORATA.

Camphorated Mixture.—Half a tea-cup full, or more, of this mixture, or a fpoonful or two of the camphorated emulfion, which is a more effectual preparation, and is composed of camphor, 20gr. almonds, 4 in number, a little fyrup, or fugar, and 6 oz. of diftilled water, may be taken now and then in nervous affections, and fevers of the low kind. A tea-fpoonful of the Tinct. Lavend. C. is frequently added to a dofe of the mixture.

Campbor is a folid concrete, or volatile effential oil, obtained from a large tree of the laurus kind, which grows in Sumatra, and other parts of the Eaft Indies. This fort of concrete is alfo to be procured in finall quantities from other vegetables, by diftillation. It is a cordial, ftimulating diuretic, diaphoretic, and antifeptic medicine; and is much prefcribed in malignant and low nervous fevers, both in fubftance and otherwife. The dofe from 5 to 20 gr. repeatedly. It unites well with myrrh for folution.

#### MISTURA CRETACEA.

• Chalk Mixture.—This mixture is a neat mode of exhibiting chalk, and is much improved by the additional quantity of gum. It is ferviceable in acidities of the ftomach, and in confequent diarrheas, but is exceptionable in putrefcent cafes. A flight addition of the fpirit of cinnamon takes off the earthy tafte, and renders it much more agreeable. From two to four fpoonfuls may be takeu at a time, frequently, or now and then, according to the neceffity of the cafe.

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- In fluxes of a putrescent nature, catechu, or amylum, are far preferable to creta.

#### MISTURA MOSCHATA.

Mulk Mixture.—Some medical writers confider mulk as a medicine of no great confequence; but Cullen, Wall, and other men of eminence in the profession, allow it the credit, in its pure state, of being a mild diaphoretic, and a powerful antispassion from repeatedly, in doses from ro to 20 gr. or more. The dose of the mixture is two or three large spoonfuls:

Mojcha, or Musk, is a strong selling grumous substance, found, in a small bag under the belly of a certain animal, in Muscovy, Bengal, and Tartary. It is brought over in small thin round pods, covered with short brown hairs. True musk is of a rusty dark colour, in small round grains, free from grit, or any foreign matter; and is laid on red hot iron, burns away to a small greyiss after the second second volatile odoriferous particles, and gum-refinous earthy parts, intimately mixed.

### LAC AMYGDALÆ.

Almond Milk.—This cooling pleafant emultion obtunds acrimonious bile and urine, and is ferviceable in bilious diforders, ftranguries, and heat of urine. It is often made the vehicle of gum, neutral falts, manna, &c. A tea-cupfull, or more, may be taken frequently by itfelf; when otherwife, the dofe is to be regulated according to the nature and ftrength of the folvend.

#### LAC AMMONIACI.

Ammoniacum Milk.—This folution attenuates tough vifcid phlegm, and is chiefly employed to promote expectoration in

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in afthmatic and other diforders of the lungs, with or without a moderate dofe of the acetum, or oxymel fcillæ. The dofe of this milky folution is two or three large fpoonfuls, now and then. Vide Ammoniaci Purificatio. Afafætida is alfo frequently given in this form for the fame complaints as afa-fætida in fubftance, q. v.

# SPIRITUS ÆTHERIS VITRIOLICI COMPO-SITUS.

Compound Spirit of Vitriolic Æther.—This mixture is fimilar to Hoffman's Mineral Anodyne Liquor. It is fedative and antifpafinodic, and is given in hysteric, arthritic, rheumatic, and febrile complaints, with camphor mixture, the volatile or common faline draught, or fome other fuitable vehicle. The dofe may be from a fcr. to a dr. or more, repeatedly.

## SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ COMPOSITUS.

Compound Spirit of Ammonia.—This is an extemporaneous preparation of the falvolatile. The union of the aromatic oils with the fpirit, abates the acrimonious tafte of the volatile, and renders it more agreeable to delicate ftomachs. It is a cordial ftimulus in fainting fits, and acts as a gentle fudorific. The dofe is from a fcr. to a tea-fpoonful, in an aqueous liquor.

#### SPIRITUS AMMONIÆ SUCCINATUS.

Succinated Spirit of Ammonia. is commonly called Eau de Lis. It is more ftimulant than the foregoing, and is chiefly applied to the noftrils in fyncope, &c. the dofe from 15 to 30 gtt. Such ftimuli have been given with fuccefs in retrocedent gout and eruptions. It is alfo fometimes united with equal parts of compound fpirit of vitriolic æther, and taken in

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in dofes from 20 to 40 gtt. in hyfteric and other convultive complaints. But care flould be taken that the fuccinated fpirit be genuine, a portion of corrofive fublimate being fometimes added to it to improve its whitenefs.

# SPIRITUS CAMPHORATUS.

*Campborated Spirit.*—This fpirit is often applied externally, with or without Tinct. Opii, for the relief of fprains and rheumatic pains, and for difcuffing tumours and inflammations, in a relaxed flate of the fyftem.

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Syrups are folutions of fugar in the infufions, decoctions, and juices of vegetables, and fhould be prepared in fuch proportions as will preferve them from candying or fermenting. They were formerly confidered as medicines of great importance, but, excepting a few inflances particularly noticed, they are chiefly ufed to form pills, boluffes, and electuaries, or to fweeten draughts and mixtures; a dofe of which latter feldom contains more than 1 dr. of a fyrup fimilar in its nature to the medicine preferibed.

Syrups from acid juices fhould be prepared in ftone or glafs veffels, but by no means in glazed earthen veffels; for the glazing being vitrified lead, is fubject to corrofion from acids, or fubacids, particularly when heated.

### SYRUPUS ALTHÆÆ.

Syrup of Marsh-mallow.—This fyrup is of a mucilaginous nature, and is used to fweeten emollient infusions and de. coctions

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coctions in nephritic cafes. Joined with equal parts of liquid gum-mucilage, it fheaths tickling rheum diffilling on the larynx, and may be conveniently added to barleywater, &c. for the relief of ftrangury.

Althæa, or Marsh-mallow.—This is a foft hoary perennial plant, which grows wild in marshy and moist places. The roots, which are preferable to the leaves, are long, flender, of a pale yellow on the outfide, and white within. It is employed in decoction and infusion, with pearl barley and a little liquorice root, against catarrhous defluxions; and, with gum, for the relief of dysury, and nephritic complaints.

# The fubjects of the following are generally known, or before defcribed.

### SYRUPUS CARYOPHILLI RUBRI.

Syrup of Clove Gilliflower.—The principal quality of this fyrup is its beautiful red colour.

Syrupus Croci.—Syrup of Saffron is prepared with the vinum croci, therefore affords a pleafant cordial flavour, as well as a beautiful colour.

Syrupus Corticis Aurantii. -- Syrup of orange peel is a grateful addition to fromach medicines.

Syrupus Succi Limonis, Mori, Rubi Idæi, et Ribis Nigri.— Syrups of the juice of lemon, mulberry, rafpberry, and black currant. These are all pleasant and cooling, and may be used to fweeten diluting liquors, or mixtures, for bilious and inflammable diforders. They are also ferviceable to fore mouths and tonfils, in the form of a lambative; tive; but for fuch purpofes are neceffarily flucathed with the mucilage of gum arabic or quince feed, or with oil of almonds.

Syrupus Papaveris Albi.—Syrup of white poppy is a mild opiate for both children and adults, and will fometimes take effect when opium will not. It may be given to the former from  $\frac{1}{2}$  a dr. to 1 dr. or more, and from 2 dr. to 6, to the latter.

Syrupus Papaveris Erratici.—Syrup of wild poppy. This has been effeemed an ufeful remedy in pectoral difeafes, and as a light opiate ; but its virtues are very inconfiderable.

Syrupus Rofæ.—Syrup of the damask rose. In the quantity of half a spoonful, or more, proves a gentle laxative to children, and is used to make up electuaries of the opening kind.

Syrupus Spinæ Cervinæ.—Syrup of buckthorn. In dofes of one or two fpoonfuls, is a naufeous bitter purge; and notwithftanding the attempt to correct its griping with the most powerful spices, it feldom passes without giving much pain. It is commonly mixed with Infus. and Tinct. Sennæ.

Syrupus Tolutanus.—Syrup of balfam of Tolu. This is but flightly impregnated with the odour and flavour of the balfam. Some prefer a fyrup made of the tinctures.

Syrupus Violæ.—Syrup of violet has an agreeable flavour- In dofes of a tea-fpoonful or two, it proves a gentle laxative to infants. It is chiefly used as a test of acids and alkalies.

Syrupus Zingiberis.—Syrup of ginger partakes of a moderate fhare of the warmth and flavour of this fpicy root. It is generally added to fome warm mixture, or used as a corrector to medicines of a griping quality.

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Medicated Honeys.— The virtues of vegetables extracted by watery liquors, are conveyed to honey by exhaling the aqueous part, untill the honey regains its former confiftence. Sugar in this kind of procefs, is in general preferred to honey, on account of the latter being more fubject to lofe its prefervative effect by fermentation, and to difagree with many conftitutions. Medicated honey alfo, where vinegar is concerned, called oxymel, flould not be heated or boiled in glazed earthen veffels, for the reafons before affigned under the article Syrups.

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Honcy of Rofes is frequently added to cooling and detergent gargles, against inflamed and ulcerated throats and fauces.

Mel Seillæ.—Honey of fquill fits 'eafier upon the ftomach than the oxymel of fquill, and is given in dofesfrom  $\frac{1}{2}$  a dr. to 2 dr.

Oxymel Æruginis.—Oxymel of verdigreafe has been much ufed to cleanfe foul ulcers, and keep down fungous flefh. This preparation has been hitherto named Mel Ægyptiacum.

Oxymel Colchici.—Oxymel of meadow faffron. The root of the Colchicum has been firongly recommended in this medicinal form, by Dr. Storek, of Vienna, as an excellent remedy for the dropfy; but unfortunately for us, Colchicum, Cicuta, Arfenicum, and other medicines of the poifonous clafs, do not fo well accord with an Englifh as with a German conftitution. The dofe of this Oxymel is commonly a tea fpoonful or two, in a cup of tea, or a draught draught of diftilled water, twice a day, and gradually more. If given in greater quantity at first, or too rapidly repeated, it has occasioned bloody stools and other bad fymptoms—the squill is therefore still preferred in this country.

Oxymel Scillæ.—Oxymel of fquill is an ufeful remedy for humoral afthmas, bad coughs, and diforders of the lungs abounding with vifcid tenacious phlegm. The dofe as an expectorant, is from  $\frac{1}{2}$  a dr. to 2 dr. joined with cinnamon, or Pimento water; a larger dofe generally proves emetic. Vide Acetum Scillæ.

Oxymel Symplex.—Simple oxymel is a cooling pleafant expectorant, and is often added to pectoral lynctuffes and detergent gargles. Joined with a moderate pertion of fyrup of white poppy, it is an excellent medicine for a tickling cough. The dofe is a tea fpoonful or two now and then.

This fymple oxymel has lately exhibited the ftrongeft proofs of Englifh credulity, and has been an extraordinary fource of ill-gotten pelf.

# PULVERES.

*Powders.*—Thofe fubftances which are friable, or will bear to be fufficiently dried without the lofs of their virtues, are moft proper to receive this form ; yet many of either are too naufeous, bulky, tenacious, deliquefcent, volatile, or odorous, to be kept, or taken in powder. A few are exceptionable, by being too powerful to admit of an exact division into very finall dofes ; they are therefore

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fore neceffarily rendered more bulky, by being intimately mixed with others of lefs efficacy.

# PULVIS ALOETICUS, VEL, ALOËS CUM CA-NELLA.

Aloetic powder.—This composition was formerly named *Hiera Piera*. It is the basis of the vinum aloës, and is used domestically; but is too nauseous to be taken in the form of a powder, or an electuary.

Canella Alba is a quilled bark, thicker than that of cinnamon, and of a whitifh colour inclining to a yellow. It is ftripped from a tall bay leaved tree that grows in Jamaica and other American iflands, and freed from an outward rough rind. It is a warm pungent aromatic, but not of the most agreeable kind, and is chiefly used to correct aloes, and other bitter fubjects. Till of late, it has been mistaken for winter's bark.

#### PULVIS ALOES CUM FERRO.

Aloetic Powder with Iron.—This composition is an improvement of the Pil. Ecpbract. of the former Pharmacopœia, in which the decomposition of Ferrum Vitriolatum by the Kali, prevented its being formed into a regular mass, or being kept fo.

A dr. of this powder may be made with Syr. Rofie into 12 pills. of which 2 or 3 are ordered to be taken every, or every other night, as a warm aperient or deobstruent, particularly in chlorotic cafes.

# PULVIS ALOËS CUM GUAÍACO.

Aloetie powder with Guaiacum.—It is also difficult to unite this powder into a pill for keeping. It differs only from

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from the *Pil. Aromat.* of the former Difpenfatory, by relinquifning the Balf. Peruv. and may be occafionally formed into a mafs for pills with fome kind of fyrup. It may be given in dofes of 10gr. or more, as a warm aperient, for the relief of dyfpeptic and fpafmodic complaints in the ftomach and bowels, attended with coftivenefs.

## PULVIS AROMATICUS.

Aromatic Powder.—This powder. is frequently ordered to correct cold flatulent and aperient formulæ. It is alfo ufed as a pleafant fpicy medicine in weak decayed habits, to warm the flomach and bowels, and flrengthen their tone. The dofe from 5 to 10gr. or more.

*Piper Longuet.*—This with the album and nigrup are all of the fame heating and ftimulating quality, but the long pepper is much the ftrongeft; they contain effential oils and fixed refinous and gummous principles, and are brought from the Eaft Indies.

Piper longum is the fruit of a plant growing in that climate, of a cylindrical form, and about an inch and a half in length, with a granulated furface.

#### PULVIS ASARI COMPOSITUS.

Compound Powder of Afarabacca.—This powder is equally efficacious with the best herb fnuff.

*Afarum* is a low perennial plant, with kidney-fliaped leaves in pairs, that rife immediately from the root; it grows fpontaneoufly in France and Italy, and is to be found in fome woods in England.

Marum Syriacum, or Herb-Mastick, is a low shrubby plant, which grows naturally in Spain and the Levant. It has an aromatic taste, and a quick pleasant smell.

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Majorana, or Sweet Marjoram, is a fpecies of Origanum, a low plant with oval downy leaves fet in pairs, and is indigenous in the South of France.

All these plants are cultivated in our gardens; their leaves only are in medical use, and no otherwise than as errhines,

#### PULVIS E CERUSSA.

Powder of Ceruffe.—This is a fimple preparation of the Trochifci Albi Rhafis, which were also used as cooling aftrictive collyria for the eyes. Mixed with a quantity of Aq. Rofæ, in the proportion of idr. of the powder, to 6 oz. of the water, it makes a pleafant and useful lotion.

# PULVIS E CHELIS CANCRORUM COMPO-SITUS.

Compound Powder of Crab's Claws.—The chemical and abforbent properties of crab's claws, coral, or oyfter fhells, differ fcarcely at all from chalk, or any other mild calcareous earth.

Dr. Lewis has obferved, that this powder being prepared from animal fubftance, contains a glutinous quality, which fubjects it to concrete in the flomach and bowels. For the reft, vide Præparat. Simpl.

A cheap powder made with two parts of prepared oyfter-fhell and one of chalk, is equally valuable as a medicine, with this coftly preparation. Both are chiefly employed as aftringents and antacids, in dofes from 10 to 30 gr. but neither of them are advifcable in putrefcent habits.

# PULVIS CONTRAYERVÆ COMPOSITUS.

Compound Powder of Contrayerva.—The dofe of the root itself may be from 10 gr. to 30, yet this powder, containing

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ing only a fixth part of it, is feldom ordered in greater quantity; whereas if it were not for its aftringent and feptic quality, it might be fafely given up to 2dr. or more. The Crab's Claws, &c. ferve chiefly to divide the more powerful mgredient.

*Contrayerva* is a native of South America and the Weft Indies. The root is perennial, knotty, and fibrous; abounds with gum-refinous principles, and has a warm, bitterifh, aromatic tafte. This and ferpentary are confidered as powerful ftimulants and diaphoretics, and are much employed in fevers attended with putrefcency or debility; but experience proves, that wine as a ftimulant, and peruvian bark as a tonic, have a much more certain effect.

# PULVIS E CRETA COMPOSITUS, CUM ET SINE OPIO.

Compound Powder of Chalk, with and without Optum.— These powders are warm strengthening astringents, and are useful against diarrheas that allow of medicines of that cast. That with the optum is formetimes preferable: 1gr. of optum is contained in 43gr. of the powder. The dose of either is from 10 to 30gr.

Tormentilla, or Septfoil, grows wild in woods and waftes. The root is crooked and knotty, of a blackifh colour without, and reddifh within, and has a rough aftringent tafte. It is an efficacious aftringent, and may be given in powder, up to 2 fcr.—in decoction, from 2 to 3 dr.

# PULVIS IPECACUANHÆ COMPOSITUS.

Compound Powder of Ipecacuanba.—This is the famous Dr. Dover's powder for the rheumatifm, and like other K 2 powders powders compoled of active ingredients, fhould be carefully mixed, fo as to give each particle an equal degree of ftrength. It is a powerful fudorific in rheumatifm, dropfy, and other diforders. A gr. of opium is contained in about 10gr. and the dole to adults is generally from 6 to 15gr. The Ipecacuanha tends to reftrain the narcotic quality of the opium. The patient fhould not take much of liquids foon after taking this powder, as it would be rejected and lofe its proper effect.

## PULVIS MYRRHÆ COMPOSITUS.

Compound Powder of Myrrh.—This is an improvement of the Troches of Myrrh, which form is unnecessary. It is an efficacious remedy in uterine obstructions and hysteric cafes. The dose is from 15 to 30gr. two or three times a day. Vide Extract: Sabinæ.

## PULVIS OPIATUS.

Opiate Powder.—This powder is an inftance in which the bulk is increased, for the purpose of more conveniently dividing an active substance into smaller doses; nogr. of it containing 1gr. of opium. For the dose of opium, vide Opium Purificatum.

#### PULVIS SCAMMONII COMPOSITUS.

Compound Powder of Scammony.—From 10 to 15gr. of this purgative powder may be taken at a dofe.

The Edinburgh recipe is composed of equal parts of Scammony and cryftals of tartar, carefully ground into a powder; the latter of which ingredients properly divides and corrects the tenacity of the former. This powder is far

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far lefs powerful than that of the London Pharmacopœia, but is preferable in many refpects.

Scammonium is the concrete juice of the root of a fpecies of convolvulus, which grows in Syria and Afiatic Turkey. It is brought over in light, friable, grey, fhining lumps, which when powdered, appear of an afh colour; it has a bitterifh fubacrid tafte, and an unpleafant fmell, and is a very refinous fubftance, confequently of a griping quality and irregular in its operation; but it may be rendered much milder and lefs adhefive, if triturated with fugar, almonds, or fome neutral falt.

# PULVIS SCAMMONII CUM ALOË.

Powder of Scammony with Aloe. This compound powder is not much ufed; it is a more active purgative than the foregoing, therefore admits not of fo large a dofe. From 5 to rogr. will often purge, even in coffive habits.

#### PULVIS SCAMMONII CUM CALOMELANE.

Powder of Scammony with Calomel.—This is not much diffimilar to the Pulvis Bafilicus, and is to be given from 8 or 10 to 20gr. at a dofe.

## PULVIS SENNÆ COMPOSITUS.

Compound Powder of Senna.—In this powder the Scanmony is intended to quicken the fenna, and the cryftals of tartar are meant to divide the tenacious quality of both. It is given as a cathartic, in dofes from 1 to 2 fcr.

## PULVIS TRAGACANTHÆ COMPOSITUS.

Compound Powder of Tragacanth.—This powder is of fervice in hectic coughs and diarrheas, by flucathing the K 3 throat

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throat, ftomach, and inteffines, against thin acrimonious humours. The dofe may be from  $\frac{1}{2}$  a dr. to 2 dr.

Gummi Arabicum.—Gum Arabic is a whitifh transparent gum, without either taste or finell. It is exuded from the Egyptian Mimosa, and is brought from Barbary; is a mild incrassfating medicine, and forms an useful sheathing mucilage.

Gummi Tragacantha is the produce of a thorny bufh, which grows in the Levant, and is brought to us in twifted fhapes, of different fizes and colours. It is much more mucilaginous and tenacious than Gum Arabic; 1dr. of the former giving equal confiftence to a pint of water, with nearly an oz. of the latter.

Amylum, or Starch, is the magiftery, or the finer part of wheat, prepared by maceration in frefh parcels of water, and dried. Scheele obferves, that 3 oz. of wheat will yield 1 oz. and 3dr. of fine flarch. It is ufed as a mild glutinous aftringent, in the forms of a mixture, a powder, and a clyfter.

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Powders made up with gummy or glutinous fubftances into little cakes or tablets, are called *Treches*, or *Lozenges*. This form is particularly adapted to fuch medicines as are intended to be diffolved flowly in the mouth, and gradually paffed into the ftomach; it therefore naturally excludes naufeous fubftances. The dofes of the following, are 1 or 2 repeatedly.

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Trochifei Amyli.—Troches of Starch were formerly named Troch. Bechici Albi.—This composition is a pleafant pectoral, and may be taken at diferention; it is alfo ferviceable to tickling coughs.

Trochifci Glycirrhiz $\alpha$ .—Troches of Liquorice. This, and the foregoing composition, are chiefly defigned to fheathe thin acrimonious humours, and to allay tickling coughs.

Trochifci Cretæ.—Troches of chalk are chiefly used to correct acidities in the stomach, which are the cause of an uneasy sensation, called heart-burn. Chalk and other absorbent earths, when taken freely, are apt to unite with the acid, and form an astringent concrete.

Trochifei Magnefice.—Troches of Magnefia are defigned for the fame purpofe as the foregoing, but prove gently laxative; which quality is in proportion to the quantity of acid, and renders them more fuitable to coffive habits.

*Trochifci Nitri.*—Troches of Nitre are employed to cool the fauces, and relieve difficulty of fwallowing; but are too apt to caufe uneafy fenfations in the fromach, unless followed by fome fmall diluting liquor.

*Trochifci Sulphuris.*—Troches of Sulphur. This mode of exhibiting fulphur is not agreeable to all palates; leaft fo to those whose tongues and fauces are extremely irritable.

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Subfrances which are difagreeable to the tafte or fmcll, are beft fuited to the form of a *pill*. Emetics are feldom K  $_4$  given

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given in pills, as they are not unlikely to pass the stomach in an undificited state, and to operate powerfully on the intestines. Gum-refins and inspissed juices may be soft enough to be made into pills without any addition; if otherwise, spirit is preferable to either syrup or conferve. Light powders require syrup or mucilage to make them into pills; metallic preparations, conferve, or extract.

# PILULÆ ALOËS COMPOSITÆ.

Compound Pills of Aloes.—Aloetic pills are ufeful laxatives ; they are generally prefcribed as fuch in cachexies, hypochondriac diforders, and coftiveness arising from an irregular, or an inactive way of life. The purging dose is generally from 12 to 20 gr. or more : in less quantity they will prove laxative only.

## PILULÆ ALOES CUM MYRRHA.

Pills of Aldes with Myrrh.—Thefe pills formerly called Pilulæ Rufi, are allowed to answer the purpose of laxatives or alteratives, better than most other preparations of the aloetic kind. Two or 3, or 4gr. each, are to be occafionally taken at bed time; the pill with gentian is used in like manner.

#### PILULÆ GUMMI.

Gum Pills, more lately called Pilulæ Galbani Compositæ, or Compound Pills of Galbanum.—This composition is much used in hysteric, hypochondriac, and other nervous diforders, being occasionally joined with an aloetic. It is given from 10 to 20gr. or more, every night or oftener. For Galbanum, vide Tinct. Galbani.

Opoponax is the gum-refinous, concrete juice of an umbelliferous plant, which grows in the Levant and the

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East Indies. It is bronght to us in tears, or lumps of a reddifh-yellow colour, intermixed with fpecks of white, has a ftrong fmell, and a bitter acrid tafte. It is an attemuant, and a deobstruent, and may be taken in dofes from 10 to 30gr.

Sagapenum is a concrete, gum-refinous juice, of a brownifli-yellow colour without, and a greenifh-hue within. It has a biting bitterifh tafte, and a fmell refembling that of the leek. This gum-refin is attenuant, deobftruent, and antifpafinodic, and is prefcribed in the form of pills in dofes from 5 to 20gr.

For Myrrh and Afafœtida, vide the Tinctures.

### PILULÆ HYDRARGYRI.

Quickfilver Pills.—This mafs is made in much the fame proportion of quickfilver to the reft of the ingredients, as the famous Edinburgh Mercurial Pill. Four gr. of quickfilver are contained in 10 of the Pill. Two or 3 pills of about 4gr. each, made out of this mafs, may be given once or twice a day, according to the effect required.

#### PILULÆ OPII.

Opium Pills.—This composition fuperfedes the Pilula e Styrace of the former Pharmacopœia, and is fuppofed to anfwer all its purpofes. One gr. of opium is contained in 5gr. For the general dofe of opium, vide Opium Purificatum.

### PILULÆ SCILLÆ.

Squill Pills.—The Squill is the most active part of this preparation, therefore the other ingredients may be proportioned accordingly; 1gr. of the fquill being contained in in 9 of this pill. The quantity generally given at a dofe, is from 8 to 15gr. made into two or three common fized pills, and repeated twice or thrice a day, according to its effect on the fromach or bowels. Vide Scillæ Exficcatio.

Sapo Albus.—Soap is composed of a vegetable oil or animal fat, and alkaline lixivium. The pure hard White Soap, which is the only fort given internally, is, or ought to be, made with the best olive oil. It is commonly used for forming refinous substances into pills, with a design to render them more foluble in, and missible with, the juice of the stomach; but gum-mucilage is allowed to answer the purpose better. Acids should never be used with foap, they decompound it by taking up the alkaline falt from the oil. Soap is here used as an attenuant and a detergent, and has been taken in large quantities with limewater, as a lithonthriptic, or folvent for the stome.

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#### ELECTUARIUM CASSÆ.

*Electuary of Caffia.*—This Electuary is compounded of the three following mild ingredients, which feem peculiarly affiftant to each other, and form a pleafant laxative. The dofe from 1 to 6 dr. or more.

Caffia Fifula is a tree growing in the Eaft and Weft Indies, greatly refembling the walnut tree. The fruit is a flender dark brown pod, a foot or more in length, containing a foft fhining black pulp, which has a fweetifh tafte tafte. The pulp is the medicinal part, but it is too often mixed with the pulp of boiled prunes. It is a very mild laxative, and has frequently been given in the quantity of feveral drams in coffive habits.

Manna is the juice of the round leaved afh which grows in Italy and in Sicily. This concrete juice is of a whitifh or pale-yellow colour, and has a fweet, but rather fharp tafte. It flows fpontaneoufly, and by incifion, from the leaves and other parts of the tree. That from Calabria is the beft, which is brought to us in oblong, light, friable flakes, of a pale-yellow colour, and rather tranfparent.

It is a mild pleafant laxative, and is commonly joined with Senna, Rhubarb, or Cathartic Salts : it is also an ufeful medium for mixing oils with fyrup into the form of a lohoc. Manna is much quickened in its operation when united with Casila, which mixture acts with greater power than either of them feparately. The dofe of Manna may be from  $\frac{1}{2}$  an oz. to 2 oz. in folution.

This drug is alfo fhamefully adultcrated.

Tamarindi Fructus.—Tamarinds are the fruit of a large tree growing in the East and Weft Indies. The pod greatly refembling that of a bean, contains five or fix feeds, and a black vifeid pulp like that of prunes, but more acid and laxative. It is taken in ptifan, with or without Cafila, and other eccoprotics, and is advantageoufly given in fevers, to allay heat and thirft.

## ELECTUARIUM SCAMMONII.

Electuary of Scannnony.—It is a warm brifk purgative, and is fometimes added to the electuaries made with ficel and aftringent preparations. This composition contains a feventh

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a feventh part of Scammony, and the dofe may be from 20 to 30gr, or more. For Scammonium, vide Pulv. Scammon. Comp.

Caryophylli Arcmatici .- Cloves, which are the warm correctors of this electuary, are the calices or cups of the flower of a bay-like tree growing in the East Indies, and to the eye refemble fhort thick nails. They have an agreeable aromatic fmell, and a warm biting tafte, and abound with effential oil. Both the clove and its oil are ftimulating aromatics, and are feldom ufed except as correctors to officinal compositions. It is probable that the following powder, which is much ufed in Holland against obstinate agues, receives an additional quality from the cloves. Take of powdered Cinchona and Cream of Tartar. each  $\frac{1}{2}$  an oz. powdered cloves in number 20. a dr. and a half of it is given every third or fourth hour. An infusion is alfo ordered against flatulency, in dyspepsy, and as a vehicle to other medicines, in the proportion of 2dr. of cloves to half a pint of boiling water, in dofes of three or four fpoonfuls.

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#### CONFECTIO AROMATICA.

Aromatic Confection is the Cordial Confection of the late Pharmacopœia; the dofe of which is from 1 to 3 fcr. for the purpofes of a cordial, antilpafinodic, and aftringent. It is frequently joined with Tinct. Opii against gouty spafins in the stomach, mixed into a draught with Aq. Menth. Pip.

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Pip. or Mift. Camphor. and forms a warm aftringent, with the Mift. Cretac. or Mucilag. Amyl.

#### CONFECTIO OPIATA.

Confection of Opium.— This is the warm opiate called. Philonium Londinenfe, an imprudent use of which, from its powerful stimulus may do much harm, if administered in fevers of the bilious or inflammatory kind. 30gr. contain 1 of opium; from 10 to 30gr. therefore may be given to ease pain, and check purging, in cold debilitated and phlegmatic habits.

# AQUÆ MEDICATÆ.

# AQUA ALUMINIS COMPOSITA.

Compound Alum Water is fometimes used as a lotion to dry up ulcers, and cure herpetic eruptions, fuch as ringworms, tetters, and fimilar breakings out.

Aqua Cupri Ammeniati.—Water of anunoniated copper has been much ufed as a remedy for fpecks and films on the cornea, but the quantity of copper taken up is furely too trifling to be of much fervice. Two or 3gtt. are ordered to be inftilled into the eye once or twice a day; but the beft mode of applying it is by means of a pencil brufh.

Aqua Litbargyri Acetati Composita.—Compound water of acetated Litharge, is the preparation fo firongly recommended by M. Goulard. It is much employed externally to remove inflammation, and is certainly an ufeful difeutient. It is objected to by fome practitioners, on account

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account of its cold repellent quality, and its faturnine bafis, both which undoubtedly may prove injurious if applied indifcriminately. Vide Spirit. Vin. Gallic.

Aqua Zinci Vitriolati cum Campbora. Water of vitriolated Zinc with Camphor.—This lotion is an excellent remedy for fcorbutic or phagedænic ulcers; but requires dilution agreeable to the irritability of the parts. The mode of application on the leg is, by moiftening a proper fized piece of foft double linen rag, and laying it over the whole of the fore, and the inflamed part around it, a thin linen comprefs over that, and over all a Welfh flannel or linen roller carried fpirally upwards from the foot.

Properly diluted with diffilled water, it is an efficacious lotion for fore eyes, particularly when the inflammation is much abated.

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*Plafters* are chiefly composed of oily, unctuous, and pulverable fubftances, united into fuch a confistence as will remain firm in the cold; foft and pliable in a flight heat; and tenacious when applied to the furface of the human body. Common plaster is made by boiling the calces of lead with oils, and is the basis of most other plasters.

Emplastrum Ammoniaci cum Hydrargyro, et Emplastrum Lithargyri cum Hydrargyro.—Ammoniacum plaster, and Litharge plaster with quickfilver, are efteemed powerful refolvents, and are frequently applied with fuccefs to nodes

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nodes, tophes, and indurated glands and tumours, in their early ftage.

*Emploftrum Cantbaridis.* Plafter of Spanish fly.—This is commonly used for drawing blifters; for which purpose, the flies ought to be rubbed into a fine powder, and the plaster should neither be spread too thick, nor with too warm a spatula. The powdered Cantharides have been occasionally spread upon the common plaster, and effectually applied.

*Emplastrum Ceræ.*—The Wax plaster, formerly stiled *Empl. Attrabens*, or drawing plaster, has been often applied with success to irritate tumours, with intent to promote a suppurative heat.

*Emplastrum Cumini.*—The Cumin plaster is fometimes applied to the region of the stomach as a warm diffutient, and to expel flatulency.

*Emplastrum Ladani*. Laddanum plaster.—This is an elegant stomach plaster, and from its moderate adhesive quality, easily admits of its being taken off to renew the volatile effentials.

Ladanum is a refinous fubftance which exudes from the leaves of the Ciftus Cretica. There are two forts, the beft is in dark-coloured maffes, of a plafter-like confiftence, agreeable in fmell, and of a bitterifh tafte; the other is nearly two-thirds of it fand, is harder than the former, and not fo dark coloured.—Ladanum is only ufed externally.

Thus, or Frankincence, is a brittle refin fuppofed to be the produce of the Terebinthinate Pine which grows in the Island of Cyprus. It is brought in fmall masses, is of a brownish-yellow colour, and variegated in the infide with white

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white fpecks, has a bitterifh acrid tafte, and a flight refinous fmell. It is at this time only ufed externally.

Emplaftrum Litbargyri.—Litharge plafter, commonly called Diacbylon, is the bafis of most other plasters, and when made with pure oil, is not an unpleasant application to fimple wounds in the fless. It ferves to fosten the part and to defend it from the air; the stimulus from which penetrating fluid, is a principal fource of mischief to all wounds and raw furfaces.

The Litbarge, or common plaster, is often vilely fophifticated, by being made with rancid oil, and mixed up with a large quantity of whiting and hog's lard. The heat fhould be moderate, and the mixture be constantly stirred, otherwife it is likely to rife fuddenly, and slow over the pan into the fire. Great caution is therefore in boiling this falve, as well for its being properly prepared, as for the fafety of the operator.

*Emplastrum Lithargyri cum Refina*. Litharge plaster with Refin.—With the addition of one-feventh part refin, the foregoing plaster becomes adhesive, which is used as a retentive to the divided edges of a wound, in order to promote its healing by what is called the first intention, and to confine dreffings.

Emploftrum Lubargyri Compositum, wel cum Gummi.— Litharge plaster with gum, is warm and ftimulating, and is chiefly used as a spur towards the suppuration or difcussion of tumours, according as they are circumstanced. Two or three parts of this, with one of blistering plaster, form an useful application to the epigastric region, for the relief of nervous dyspepty and hysteric flatulencies.

Emplastrum Lithargyri cum Hydrargyro.-For the ufe of this plaster, vide Empl. Ammon. cum Hydrarg.

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Emplastrum Pieus Burgundicæ vel Cephalicum.— Plaster of Burgundy Pitch is also reckoned beneficial when applied to the pit of the stomach, against hysteric statulency and nervous sinkings, and for diverting erysipelatous and scorbutic humours from the internal parts to the skin; also if laid on the cheft, or between the shoulders, for the relief of a phthistickaly or obstinate cough.

*Pix Burgundica* is chiefly brought from Saxony. It is faid to be either a composition of white refin foftened down with oil of turpentine; or common turpentine hardened from drawing off a part of its effential oil by distillation, or by coction. Applied externally, it eafes pains.

*Emplastrum Saponis.*—The Soap plaster is effected an efficacious remedy for removing lymphatic tumours; and is supposed to affiss the action of the quickfilver plaster in fuch cafes.

Emplastrum Thuris Compositum.—Compound plaster of Frankincenfe is an improvement of the Empl. ad Herniam, and was lately called Empl. Roborans. It receives little or no strengthening quality from the astringent ingredients, and ferves chiefly as a soft, close, and adhesive covering.

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Ointments, Liniments, and Cerates, differ principally from plafters in their confistence. A plafter reduced by the addition of oil to the confistence of honey, will form

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an ointment, and by foftening it with more oil, becomes a liniment. Cerates have a ftiffer confiftence than cither, and are thereby rendered more convenient for particular purpofes. All these kinds of compositions should be melted down with a gentle heat, and are commonly fpread on fost linen rag or lint.

Unguentum Adipis Suillæ. Ointment of hog's lard, formerly Ungt. Simplex.—Hog's lard, thus prepared, may be ufed to foften and heal cracks in the fkin, but not when it contains ftimulant effential oils, by which it is formed into a Pomade.

Unguentum Calcis Hydrargyri Albæ.—Ointment of the White Calx of Quickfilver, formerly White Precipitate Ointment, may be cautioufly ufed against cutaneous foulneffes, or fcabby eruptions about the head, &c. particucularly after the ufe of tar ointments; but fuch diforders are feldom to be cured without administering purges, the bark, and alterative medicines, and opening a fontenal. In the curc of long standing complaints of this kind, forge water, or a flight folution of vitriolated iron, has proved efficacious after the part has been properly cleanfed and the habit corrected.

Unguentum Cantharidis. Ointment of the Spanish Fly, in the room of Ungt. ad Vesicatoria.—This ointment is intended to keep blifters open, and is equally efficacious with those that are mixed up with the powdered fly.

Unguentum Ceiæ.—Wax Ointment, formerly called Ungt. Album, is cooling and emollient, and is ufeful against excoriations and ferpiginous eruptions.

Unguentum Cerusse.-Ointment of acetated Cerusse, lately called Ungt. Saturninum, is cooling and deficcative.

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Unguentum Elemi Compositum. Compound Ointment of Elemi .- This has been much employed towards promoting the digeftion and deterfion of wounds.

Gum Elemi is a foft femi-transparent refin, and is brought from the East and West Indies, in long roundish cakes. It is fcarcely made use of except in the prefent form.

Unguentum Hellebori Albi .- Ointment of White Hellebore is frequently used for the cure of the itch, and other cutaneous foulness; but is too irritating an application for young delicate fubjects.

Unguentum Hydrargyri fortius .- The ftronger quick. filver ointment is frequently used as an alterative in cutaneous and venereal diforders, by rubbing from 1fcr. to Idr. into the legs or thighs, in the courfe of the lymphatics, every night, or every other night, according to the neceffity of the cafe, and of the conftitution; and fometimes a larger quantity to excite a falivation. It is alfo ufed to refolve indurated tumours.

Quickfilver thus introduced into the conftitution, has all the good effect of the preparations of that mineral exhibited internally, and is not fo likely to injure the tone of the ftomach and bowels.

Unguentum Hydrargyri mitius.-The milder quickfilver ointment may be used in cases of lefs importance, and in greater quantity than the ftronger fort. It is much employed in the deftruction of pediculi, &c. but fhould be . ufed very cautioufly .- Thefe were formerly fliled Ung. Caruleum fortius et mitius.

Unguentum Hydrargyri Nitrati. Ointment of nitrated Quickfilver .- This is the Ungt. Citrinum of the Edinburgh Dispensatory, and is reckoned an excellent detergent of venereal

venereal ulcers. It is also fuccessfully applied to fore eyelids, when inflammation is abated.

Unguentum Picis.—Tar ointment is often applied to the head and other parts, to remove fcales and fcabby crufts; the returns are frequently prevented by touching them lightly with white precipitate ointment, or dabbing them with a folution of fublimate water, in the proportion of 8 gr. to a pint, or with forge water. Vide Pix liquida.

Unguentum Refinæ flavæ, formerly Bafilicum flavum.-Ointment of yellow refin differs very little from the Ungt. Elemi.

Unguentum Sambuci. Elder Ointment.—This composition is not much indebted to the elder flowers. It is foftening to the fkin and cooling.

Unguentum Spermatis Ceti.—Sperma Ceti ointment, formerly Linimentum Album, differs only in confiftence from the Ungt. Ceræ.

Sperma Ceti, improperly fo called, is a fpecies of fat found in the heads of whales, and purified by boiling with alkaline ley, to an unctuous flaky, fnowy white fubftance, which has no fmell, and a butyraceous tafte. It is of a healing emollient quality, and is ufed both externally and internally. It may be mixed with aqueous liquors into an emulfion, by trituration with almonds, the yolk of an egg, or mucilage, and is given inwardly under that form, againft coughs and other pectoral diforders.

Unguentum Sulphuris. Sulphur Ointment.—This is a ftronger composition than that of the late Pharmacopœia. It is a more certain and fafe remedy for the itch than mercury, and has fometimes cured it by partial motion. About 2 or 3 oz. at two or three times rubbing on different parts of the body, has fufficed with an adult, touching the most obstinate

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obstinate parts with it afterwards, at the fame time, affisting its effect with the internal use of fulphur.

Unguentum Tutice. Ointment of Tutty.—The chief ufe of this ointment is to relieve fore eye-lids, by applying a piece of it between them at bed time, which keeps them from being glued together when clofed by fleep. About one part of calx of zinc, to fix parts of fpermaceti ointment, is far preferable.

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Linimentum Ammoniæ mitius et fortius, et Linimentum Campboræ. Mild and ftrong Liniments of Ammonia, and Liniment of Camphor.—Thefe are all ftimulating preparations, and are frequently rubbed in or applied, for the relief of pleuritic, rheumatic, and fpafmodic pains, paralytic numbneffes, and the like.

Linimentum Saponis Compositum.—Soap liniment, commonly called Opodeldock, is principally used as an embrocation against chronic rheumatism, with or without Tinct. Opii; also, for the relief of sprains and bruises after inflammation; by giving energy to the parts towards the recovery of their lost tone.

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Ceratum Cantharidis. Cerate of Spanish Fly.—This composition being of a softer consistence than the M 3 Empl.

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Empl. Cantharid. is preferred in fome cafes, and is more fuitable to delicate fibres. It may be quickened at difcretion by adding more powdered flies. This is in the place of the *Epithema Veficatorium*.

Ceratum Lapidis Calaminaris. Calamine Cerate, lately called Ceratum Epuloticum.—This is a lefs complicated preparation than the famous Turner's Cerate, which was ufed towards healing cutaneous ulcers, &c. The modern practice gives the preference to Ungt. Ceræ, Ungt. Sperm. Ceti, and the like, where delicate fibres are concerned. For Lapis Calaminaris, vide Præpar. Var. Gen.

Ceratum Lithargyri Acetali Compositum. Compound Cerate of acetated Litharge.—This cerate is fimilar to M. Goulard's Saturnine plaster, into which, when gently melted, he dipped linen cloths, and applied them as refolvents on various occasions, and to ease chronic rheumatism.

Ceratum Refinæ flavæ. Cerate of Yellow Refin.—The only difference between this and Ungt. Refinæ Flavæ is the confiftence.

Ceratum Saponis. Soap Cerate.—This is the cerate which Mr. Pott always applied to fractures. It couches eafily to the part, repels inflammation, is not adhefive, and feldom produces herpes or eryfipelas.

Ceratum Spermatis Ceti. Cerate of Sperma Ceti, was lately called White Cerate.—It is much applied to herpetic and other cutaneous ulcerations as an epulotic. The ftiffer confiftence makes it more eligible than the Ungt. Ceræ, when there is much heat upon or round the ulcerated part, or when it yields a thin acrid difcharge.

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Cataplasma Cumini. Cataplasm of Cummin.—This warm aromatic epithem, or poultice, is frequently applied to parts disposed to gangrene, from a languid circulation. Poultices made with oatmeal, flour, or crumb of wheaten bread, and the grounds, or lees of strong beer, are supposed to be equally efficacious.

*Cuminum.*—Cummin is an umbelliferous plant, like fennel, producing longifh plano-convex feeds, of a brownifh colour, which are brought from Sicily and Malta. They have a warm bitterifh tafte, and an aromatic flavour, and their medical ufe is principally confined to this warm antifeptic cataplafm, and the ftomach plafter.

Cataplasma Sinapeos.—Mustard cataplasm is an useful flimulus in the low state of fevers, lethargic stupors, &c. It may be repeatedly applied to the foles of the feet, and should not be kept on longer than to excite pain and redness. This kind of stimulus has also a good effect in diverting gouty and rheumatic pains from the head, stomach, and the more noble parts.

Cataplasma Aluminis. — Alum Cataplasm, formerly called Coagulum Aluminis, or Alum Curd, is a cooling astringent epithem for fore and watery eyes and eye-lids. It is commonly spread on soft lint, and applied at bed time.

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The Names, Places, Growth, Qualities, Ufes, and Dofes, of those articles which are noticed in the Materia Medica, but do not occur in any of the prepartions or compositions.

Acetola Pratenfis. Meadow or common Soriel, the leaf. A common plant, growing in meadows, the officinal cultivated in gardens. Perennial: Qualities. No fmell, a reftringent acid tafte, mildly aperient and refrigerant. U/e. In decoction, and in whey, against febrile heats, bilious and fcorbutic acrimony. Culinary.

Aconitum. Wolf's-bane, or Monk's-bood, the berb.—On' the mountainous parts of Germany and Switzerland, and in gardens. Perennial. Qual. Strong herbaceous fmell, fimply herbaceous tafle; dried, and in extract, fudorific, and diuretic; frefh, highly poifonous. Ufe. In chronic rheumatifm, gout, and fcrophula. Dofe. In extract,  $\frac{1}{2}$ —4gr. with fugar, twice a day; or in tincture made with dried leaves. P. 1. Sp. of Wine. P. 6, from 20—40gtt.

Arnica, Leopard's-bane, the herb, flower, and root.— Germany and Northern Europe. Perennial. Qual. Fresh, ftinking and flernutatory; dried, an unpleasant smell, and acrid taste. Emetic, diuretic, diaphoretic. Use. By Collin and others, in paralysis, intermittent and putrid fevers; occasionally interposing laxatives. Dose. Mixed into an electuary with honey, 1 dr. or more, in the day; or in infusion, or decoction, 1-3 dr. in a pint of water, or ale, every day. Much praifed in Germany, little ufed in England—perhaps with equal propriety.

Avena. The out, the feed .- Sown in the fields. Annual. Qual. Farinaceous, mucilaginous, and infipid; nutritive, refrigerant, and fheathing. U/e. The grains and meal, in ptifan or gruel, for food and common drink in fevers, and inflammatory complaints; externally, emollient poultice with vinegar and cil, for ftrains and bruifes, and ftimulant, with the grounds of strong beer, for tumours, &c. of gangrenous tendency, or in poor emaciated habits. · Balsamum Canadenfe. Canada Balfam.-The liquid pellucid white refinous concrete of the balfam pine in Canada. Qual. Grateful odour, refembling that of the Mecca balfam, and a mild tafte inclining to bitter. Vuln'erary, ftrengthening, and diuretic. U/e. Gleets, and fluor albus, in pills with aftringents; externally, to wounds. 2 Ballanhum Copaiva. Ballam of Copaiva .- From the perforated trunk of a tree growing in Brafil, and in the fouthern parts of America. : Qual. Liquid, clear, and of a yellowish colour, with the confistence of olive oil; a fragrant, yet unpleasant smell, and a bitter, refinous tafte, balfamic, vulnerary, diuretic, and laxative. U/e. In fluor albus, gleets, and hoemorrhoidal complaints. Do/e: 20-40gtt. on a lump of fugar, or mixed with honey, in mallow tea.

Bardāna. Burdock.—The root, and feed. Common on waste grounds. Perennial. Qual. No finell, a sweetish taste, inclining to bitter. Use. Scurvy, rheumatism, dropfy; the feed, in nephritic complaints. Defe. A decoction of 2 oz. of fresh root in 3 pints of water to 2 pints, in the course of 24 hours; the feed, in powder, or in emulsion, 1dr. twice a day.

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Bistorta. Bistort. The root.—A native of Britain, in most moist meadows. Perennial. Qual. Fresh, the smell like the cress, taste entirely styptic; dried, weaker; astringent and styptic. Use. In hœmorrhagy, obstinate fluxes, and intermittents. Dose. In substance, 20—60 gr. by Dr. Cullen, in intermittents, up to 3dr. daily.

Bolus Gallicus. French Bole.—A friable earthy fubftance, of the argillaceous kind, intimately blended with a flight portion of ferrugineous calx and calcareous earth. Qual. Its colour, pale red, variegated with ftreaks and fpots of whitifh yellow, imbibing fharp acrid humours. U/e. Alvine fluxes, and cardialgia. Dofe. 10—60gr.

Borax. Borax, called Tincal in its crude ftate .- Brought from the East Indies in lumps of impure prismatic crystals, partly white, and partly green, which when refined, form irregular colourless masses, refembling alum. Qual. A neutral falt, confifting of a peculiar acid superfaturated with natron. or mineral alkali, and feparable in folution by all the mineral acids.' It diffolves in fp. of wine, and in water, but fuffers not by fire ; .renders vegetable and animal oils miscible with water, and when fused, diffolves all earths, and promotes the fusion of metals. Is rather pungent to the tafte, and leaves, an impression of coldnefs on the tongue. Deobstruent, diuretic, and detergent. U/e. In the thrush, and in feveral mechanical proceffes. When diffolved in honey, or mucilage of quince feed, in the proportion of 1dr. to 1 oz. it quickly removes aphthous crufts on the tongue, fauces, and the alimentary tube. Dofe. A tea fpoonful now and then, or frequently. It is not much ufed for other medical purpofes.

Cardamine.

Cardamine. Cuckow flower,' or Lady's-fmock. The flower.—In moift places, and flowers early. Perennial. Qual. Is either of a white, or of a light purple colour, and is bitter and pungent to the tafte. Antifpafinodic. U/e. Spafmodic afthma, St. Vitus's dance, convultions. Dofe. 20—60gr. twice a day.

Carduus Benedictus. Bleffed Thiftle, the herb.—Native in the fouthern and eastern parts of Europe, and cultivated in our gardens. Annual. Qual. Leaves intenfely bitter and naufeous. Stomachic. Ufe. Dyspepsy and anorexy. In a light watery infusion with fresh lemon, or dried orange peel.

Centaureum minus. Leffer Centaury, the flowery tops. Wild, in dry pafture grounds, flowers in July. Annual. Qual. Dried, little or no fmell, and a very bitter tafte. Strengthening, ftomachic. Ufe. Atony, dyfpepfy, jaundice. Dofe. Infufed after the manner of tea, a tea cupfull 2 or 3 times a day.

Cinăra. Artichoke, the leaf.—Native of the fouthern parts of Europe, and cultivated in our gardens. Perennial. Qual. Bitter, agglurinant and diuretic. Uje. Dropfy and jaundice. Dofe. 3 or 4 fpoonfuls of the juice expressed from the leaves mixed with white wine, morning and evening.

Vitriolum Cæruleum. Blue, or Roman Vitriol.—This falt is composed of vitriolic acid, faturated with copper. The most common is artificially prepared by combining copper with fulphur, or its acid. Qual. It is hard, femitransparent, and of a fapphire blue colour, and has an acrid ftyptic taste. Tonic, ftyptic, and escharotic. Use. Internally, as a cure to obstinate intermittents, and a general tonic. Dose.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a gr. or more, with 5—10gr. of Ext. Ext. of Bark, 2-3 gr. Aromat. powder, three times a day during intermiffion. Externally, to deftroy proud flefh; but not fo proper for that purpofe as lunar cauftic, except when the flefh is extremely loofe and flabby. Lint foaked in a mild folution of 1t and dried, is fometimes a preferable application. The flyptic folution is ordered with blue vitriol, 3dr. alum, 2dr. boiled in 12 oz. of water untill diffolved, to which are added 2dr. of vitrolic acid, the whole to be filltered through paper. Cloths, and doffils, are to be dipped in the liquor, and applied.

Curcuma. Turmeric, the root.—A tuberous knotty root, greyifh exteriorly, interiorly yellow; brought from the East Indies. Perennial. Qual. An unctuous smell, and a bitterish aromatic tasse. Attenuant, deobstruent, and diuretic. Use. Jaundice and obstructed mesentery. In substance dried, 20—60gr. in decoction, 2 or 3 dr.

Daucus Sylveftris. Wild Carrot, the feed.—Common about the hedges, and in uncultivated grounds, and flowers in June. Biennial. Qual. The feeds warm and not difagreeable to the tafte. Stomachic and diuretic. Ufe. In cachectic fcorbutic diforders, and dropfy; and in diuretic drinks.

The Garden Carrot, the fame, except from culture. The root of it grated, or fhaved, and mixed into a poultice with water, corrects the foctor of cancerous and phagædenic ulcers. The marmalade of it is part of a fea flock, and prevents the fcurvy.

Digitālis. Fox-glove, the berb.—Wild in woods, on heaths, and under hedges, and flowers in June. Triennial. Qual. Poifonous; naufeous and bitter to the tafte, and except in very finall dofes, excites violent vomiting and purging. Diuretic. Ufe. Much recommended lately in dropfical and and altmatic cafes, in decoction, infufion, and in powder. Dofe. The latter has proved fafe and efficacious, from  $\frac{1}{2}$ —2gr. with 2—3gr. of aromatic powder, once in 8 or 12 hours, but must be determined by the effect. The *infufion* to be made with the leaves dried, 1dr. boiling water half a pint, to ftand four hours; ftrained, and adding fp. of nutmeg 1 oz. one or two table fpoonfuls twice a day, or once in eight hours. To ftop according to its effect of retarding the pulfe, or its action on the ftomach, bowels, and kidneys; a gr. of calomel, once or twice a day, has been fuccefsfully conjoined.

Enula Campana. Elecampane, the root.—A large plant with oval, wrinkled, ferrated leaves, and a fhort thick unctuous root, grows wild in rich moift foils. Perennial. Qual. A weak, difagreeable fmell, and a naufeous, pungent tafte. Diaphoretic and pectoral. Ufe. Cough, moift afthma. Defe. The powdered root 20—60gr. or more, little ufed.

Eryngium. Eryngo, the root.—An umbelliferous plant, with a blueifh, mallow-like, prickly, jagged leaf; the root cylindrical, flender, and knotted, brownifh without whitifh within. Perennial. Grows on the fandy flores. Qual. A fweetifh and flight aromatic tafte. Aperient and diuretic. Ufc. Seldom, except prepared as a fweetmeat.

Filix. Male Fern, the root.—The male fern grows commonly under hedges. Perennial. The root, a thick, knotty, oblong body, with long blackifh matted fibres. Qual. A faint unpleafant fmell, and a fuba rid, fweetifh, fubaftringent tafte. Anthelmintic and emmenagogue! U/e. The tape-worm. Defe. In fubfiance to an adult, 2—3dr. to a child, about a dr. early in the morning; two

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two hours after, a mercurial cathartic is given, and if neceffary, a faline purge, to be repeated at proper intervals. This is Nouffer's remedy, who generally prepared his patient the night before with an emollient clyfter, and directed a fupper of panada with butter and falt.

Fœnum Græcum. Fenugreek, the feed. From the fouthern parts of Europe. Rhomboidal, furrowed, and rather bigger than hemp feed. Qual. A ftrong fmell, and an unctuous, farinaceous, bitterifh tafte. Emollient. Ufe. In cataplasms and fomentations, to maturate, or discuss tumours. The finely fifted powder, lightly and repeatedly sprinkled, in herpetic and erysipelatous ulcerations.

Galla. The Gall.—An excretcence upon the leaf and tender foot-ftalks of the oak-tree, caufed by an infect, called by Linnzeus, Cynips Quercus. Blue galls from Aleppo, the ftrongeft, Qual. No finell, a very rough aftringent ftyptic tafte. U/e. Too aftringent for internal ufe—externally, applied to parts affected with hæmmorrhoides, in the proportion of powdered galls, p. 1. Ointment of hog's lard, p. 8,

Gambogia. Gamboge, the gum-refin.—A faffron-red, fhining, brittle, homogeneous, folid mafs, from trees growing in various parts of the Eaft Indies. Qual. No finell, and at first little or no taste; if held in the mouth, acrimonious. Purging and hydragogue. Use. Dropfy, and tape-worm. Defe. 2-3-10 gr. alone, is apt to excite vomiting; with calomel, that action is restrained. It is feldom ordered without that, or fome other medicine.

Ginfeng. Ginfeng, the root.—A finall plant in China, Tartary, and North America. The root, 2 or 3 inches long,

long, about the fize of the thumb or larger, and firiated with circular wrinkles. Qual. No fmell, a liquorish slightly aromatic bitterish taste. Antispassinodic. Use. Spassmodic affection, paralysis. Chewed, and in infusion. Dose. In powder, 20gr. repeatedly.

Granatum. Pomegranate, the flowers, called Balaufline, the rind of the fruit .- A prickly tree or fhrub, with deep red flowers-fruit nearly as big as a moderate fized orange, with a thick tough rind, brownifh without, and yellowifh within, and a red juicy pulp. A native of the fouth parts of Europe, Florida, and the Eaft. Qual. The flowers, mildly aftringent; the juice a grateful refrigerent fubacid, and the rind a ftronger aftringent. Refrigerant and reftringent, Ufe. In fomentation, an oz. of the rind bruifed with two pints of decoction of oakbark, and 1 a pint of red wine, according to Sydenham, against prolapsed rectum and uterus. Also in decoction with dried red roles and cinnamon, each I dr. in milk ftrained 1 pint, gradually add 1 pint of water; the whole to be reduced to 1 pint fweetened with fugar, and taken daily in colliquative diarrheas. Mead.

Gratiõla. Hedge-hyffop, the herb, and root.—A native of Germany and fouthern Europe; grows in wild meadows. Perennial. Qual. The herb, no fmell, an intenfely bitter and naufeous tafte, both dry and frefli; the root lefs fo. Emetic, purgative, diuretic, and vermifuge. Ufe. Dropfy, worms. Dofe. Moderate at firft, and gradually increafed 5—10gr. or more in powder; the extract equally efficacious. Bergius gave 10gr. of the herb, and 5 of gentian root, three times a day with fuccefs, in quartan agues. A table fpoonful of an infufion, made in the proportion of 1dr. to a pint of boiling milk or beer, three times a day, is faid to have been ferviceable in dropfy and worms. Helle-

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Helleborafter. Bear's foet, the leaf.—Grows wild in meadows and fhady places. Perennial. Qual. A difagreeable fmell, and a very acrid bitterifh tafte. Emetic, purging, and vermifuge. Ufe. Worms. Dofe. Dried, 6—15gr. in decoction 1dr. a fpoonful. of the expressed juice made into fyrup, given by the common people, morning and evening to children 5 or 6 years old; ought to be given to them cautiously at first, and in very fmall dofes.

Hypericum. St. John's wort, the flower.—This plant is commonly found in meadows: Perennial. Qual. A faint difagreeable fmell, and a bitterifh balfamic tafte. Vulnerary, and tonic. Ufe. Hæmoptyfis; externally, difcutient. Formerly much, now little ufed.

Icthyocolla. Ifinglafs.—A glutinous fubftance brought from Ruffia, and formerly fuppofed to be prepared from the fkin, fins, &c. of a fifh of the flurgeon kind; lately declared, by Mr. Jackfon, to be the air-bladder, inteftines, and other membranous parts of fifhes, freed from their natural mucus, rolled up, and dried. Vide Ph. Tranf. vol. 63, p. 1. Qual. Reftorative and agglutinating. U/e. Fluor albus, continued diarrheas, and other weakneffes, boiled into a jelly with milk. A ftrong folution in water, and when hot fpread on filk, forms an elegant plafter—joined with balfams and refins, it takes the name of Court Plafter.

Juglans. Walnut, the unripe fruit.—The tree commonly planted and known. Qual. The finell not difagreeable, the tafte acric', bitterifh, and ftyptic. Opening and vermifuge. U/c. Worms. Dof2. Infpiffated juice, 2dr., in cinnamon water 4dr. 20-30-40-50gtt. 2 or 3 times a day, for 6 days—a purge with calomel on the 4th day.

Kino.

Kino. Kino, the gum-rcfin.—From Africa, near the tiver Gambia. Qual. A deep red colour, a grateful, rough, mucilaginous, fweetifh tafte, and a brittle fubftance. Aftringent. Ufe. Chronic diarrhea, and leucorrhea, laxity with acrimony. Dofe. It forms the Edinburgh ftyptic powder with alum, p. 3. Gum Kino, p. 1, the dofe of which, 5—15 gr. every 4 hours in uterine and pulmonary hæmorrhage; alfo, an aftringent lynctus with kino, 1dr. gum arabic, 40gr. fyr. of white poppy, q. f. a tea fpoonful occafionally.

Marrubium Album. White Horebound, the berb.—Wild, in uncultivated grounds. Perennial. Qual. A hoary plant. The odour of the leaf, difagreeable; tafte, bitter, pungent and diffusive. Tonic and diuretic. Use. Cachexy, hysterics, and pituitous asthma. Dose. The leaves powdered, 1dr. expressed juice, a spoonful or two; insustion, half a handful.

Melissa. Balm, the berb.—A native of the East, and cultivated in most gardens. Perennial. Qual. A fragrant aromatic grateful finell, like that of citron; taste, highly pungent and bitteristh: it contains fine volatile parts, and gum-refinous principles. Resolvent, stomachic, and diuretic. Use. The insufation, or tea, in febrile and acute complaints, as a diluent drink.

Nicotiāna. Tobacco, the berb.—A native of America, and its iflands. Annual. Qual. The fmell, aromatic, and ftrongeft when dried; tafte, acrid and naufeous; contains gum-refinous and oily principles. Emetic, purging, narcotic, errhine, antifpafmodic. U/e. In fume and infufion by way of clyfter, against coftiveness, incarcerated hernia, iliac passion, and worms, particularly the afcarides; alfo taken as a diuretic, in cafes of dropfy. N Bergius

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Bergius fays, that in Sweden, an infufion is a domeflic medicine, in place of an emetic, at the beginning of putrid fevers. Dr. Fowler has recommended a watery infufion, and tincture, in cafes of dropfy and dyfury; the tincture made with dried Virginia tobacco leaves 1 oz. proof fpirit 1 pint, to ftand four days; the infufion in the fame proportion. Dofe. 30—60 gtt. or more, to be increafed by 5—S or 10 gtt. to a fuitable dofe, to be taken two hours before dinner, and at bed-time, in a little cinnamon, or fome kind of aromatic water, or in a draught of common water; the dofe one-fourth lefs in the forenoon than in the evening. It fhould be cautioufly adminiftred to delicate habits.

Olibănum. Olibanum, the gum-refin.—A pale yellowifli gum from Turkey and eaftern Africa, and a produce of a tree of the juniper kind. Qual. Odour unpleafant and refinous; tafte, pungent and bitterifli. Vulnerary. U/e. Internally, againft alvine fluxes and fluor albus, and by fumigation. Do/e. 1—2 fcr. or more, twice a day, with conf. of rofes.

Ovum gallinaceum, the Hen's cgg.—Eggs are a nutritious food. The yolk is oily and faponaceous, and ferves as a medium for uniting refins, balfams, and oils, with water. The white is a glutinous fubftance, likewife nutritive, and is the early food of the chick. The fhell is a calcureous carth, which if levigated, is an abforbent; and when calcined, has the preference for making lime water in calculous cafes. *Ufe.* The raw egg has proved highly efficacious in obfinate jaundices, proceeding from vifcid bile, or gluten obftructing the biliary ducts. *Defe.* Two, beaten up with a glafs of water, in the morning, and every four hours throughout the day, repeatedly. The

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egg is an excellent reftorative to poor debilitated habits, particularly in feminine weakneffes.

Pareīra brava. Pareira brava, the root.—The crooked. wrinkled, brownifh root of an American convolvulus, and brought from the Brazils. Perennial. Qual. A bitter, fweetifh tafte. Detergent and diuretic. U/c. Nephritic ulcerous, and calculous complaints. Defe. In decoction 4dr. in 3 pints of water to 1 fweetened with honey, a teacup full every 3 or 4 hours; in fubftance, powdered 15-30 gr. twice or thrice a day.

Parietaria. *Pellitory of the Wall*, the *herb.*—Grows on old walls, and among rubbifh. *Perennial. Qual.* No fmell, an herbaceous tafte. Diuretic, emollient; externally, difcutient. *Ufe.* Stone and gravel, in infufion, decotion, and the expressed juice.

Pentaphyllum. *Cinquefoil*, the root.—Grows on open clayey grounds. *Perennial. Qual.* No finell; aftringent ftyptic tafte. Aftringent. *Ufe*. Diarrheas, and loofe gums. *Dofe*. In fubflance to 1dr. alfo in decoctions and gargles.

Petrofelinum. Parfley, the root and feed.—A native of the fouthern parts of Europe, and cultivated in moft gardens. Biennial. Qual. The root, fweetifh, and flightly aromatic. Nutritive, aperient, and diuretic. The feeds warmly aromatic, carminative, and diuretic. Ufe. Culinary, jaundice, gravel, and fupprefilion of urine; feeds, pediculi. In infufion, decoftion, and diffilled water, parfley feed is faid to be deleterious to birds and lice.

Pix liquida. Tar.—A black liquid refin, drawn from the pine and fir tree by the help of fire, and lately obtained by the condenfation of pit coal fincke. Qual. An acidulous, empyreumatic, terebinthinate finell and tafte. Diaphoretic, diuretic, deobftruent. U/e. Cacheftic, N 2 dvf.

dyspeptic, and other chronic complaints. Tar water, two pounds infufed in, and frequently flirred up together with 8 pints of water, fhould ftand fome hours to fettle, and then be decanted into bottles, and clofe corked up. Dose. Up to a pint a day, at feveral draughts, just warm. Pills are also made up with tar and liquorice powder, for obstinate coughs. Dr. Cullen fays, that the water derives its medicinal qualities from the acid contained therein, which acid is fimilar to what is obtained by diffillation from folid firs, or other woods : he alfo afferts, that this acid may be brought into a fmall bulk by rectification, and concentration, and be rendered a ready and ufeful remedy, when largely diluted with water. An ointment is also prepared from it with mutton fuet, to an oz. and a  $\frac{1}{2}$  of which, may be added flower of fulphur 3dr. for the tinea, or fcald. Vide Ung. Picis.

Pyrethrum. Pellitory of Spain, the root.—The brownifh, cylindrical, rugofe root. A native of the warmer climates, but bears our own. Perennial. Qual. No fmell, but an acrid hot pungent tafle, which when chewed plenteoufly excites faliva; mafticatory, ftimulant, and attenuant. U/e. Tooth-ache, coma, paralyfis of the tongue; internally, like the arum root, 5—10 gr. alfo in watery infufion and decoction.

Quaffia. Quaffy, the wood, root, and bark.—The production of a tree growing in Surinam. The wood tranfverefely cut, is radiated, white, folid, and tough; the thicker pieces preferred, the root deeper colour. Qual. No finell; tafte, intenfely bitter, but not heating. Tonic, ftomachic, and antiputrefcent. U/c. Atony, dyfpepfy, remittent fevers. Doc. Subfrance in pills 10—20gr. every 4 or 6 hours, or 1—2 oz. of the infufion, made with 2dr. in a pint of boiling water. Rubia. Rubia. Madder, the root.—The long flender red root of a procumbent plant, cultivated in all parts of Europe. *Perennial. Qual.* A bitterifh, auftere tafte, and a weak fmell. Attenuant and aperient. U/e. Obftructed vifcera, jaundice, humoral afthma, emmenagogue. Dc/e. In powder 20—30gr. or in a decoction of the root 102. mace 2dr. in 3 pints of water to 2, adding to the ftrained liquor, aromatic tinct. 3dr. fyr. lemons 202. to take 202. three times a day.

Salvia. Sage, the leaf, and top.—A low fhrubby plant, cultivated in gardens. Percential. Qual. Smell, fragrant; tafte, warm, bitterifh, and fubaftringent. Refolvent, corroborating, ftomachic. U/e. In infufion, as tea, a diluting liquor in fevers.

Santonicum. Wormwood, the tops.—A light oval feed, furrounded with chaffy matter, from Persia. Perennia!. Qual. A wormwood smell, and a bitter, acrid taste. Stomachic, vermisuge, emmenagogue. Uf. Worms. D.se. To adults, 1dr. once or twice a day. A syrup is made of the infusion, and given to children.

Seneka. Senega, or Rattlefnake, the roet.—A misfhapen root, with thick fibrous branches, from North America. Perennial. Qual. Weak fmell, but naufeous; a warm fubacid, and bitter tafte. Slightly emetic and purging, diaphoretic, expectorant, and diuretic. U/e. Pleurify, dropfy, afthma, and rheumatifm. Dofe. in powder 20-30 gr. twice or thrice a day; in decoction of 1 oz. with a moderate portion of liquorice root, in 2 pints of water to 20 oz. 2-3 fpoonfuls every four hours.

Simarouba. Simarouba, the bark.—The light, tough, ftringy, yellowish bark, of a tree growing in Guiana, and brought in long pieces. Qual, No fmell; but a lasting bitter bitter, and fub-aftringent tafte. Tonic, ftomachic, demulcent. Use. In chronic diarrheas, and dyfenteries. D fe. In a decoction of 2 dr. in 2 pints of water to 20 oz. three fpoonfuls every four hours; or from 10-20 gr. of the powder.

Sium. Water parfnip, the berb.—A creeping, indigegenous, wing-leaved plant, growing in rivers, and ditches. Perennial. Qual. Diuretic, antifcorbutic. Ufe. Scurvy, and herpes. Expressed juice 2 oz. or more, in milk, twice a day, and in infusion. The spring leaf of the hemlock dropwort, which is poisonous, resembles that of this plant.

Spigelia. Indian pink, the root.—A native of South Carolina, but cultivated in our flower gardens, a fimple, unequal, fibrous root. Perennial. Qual. Little or no tafte, nor fmell. Anthelmintic. U/e. Worms, in powder or infufion. Defe. In powder, to children 8 years old S—rogr. or about 20gr. infufed in boiling water, and mixed with fugar and a little milk, twice a day; to adults 30—40gr. or an infufion of 2 dr. three times a day. In larger dofes, it proves emetic, and purges much, produding vertigo, dimnefs of fight, and a remarkable convulfive affection of the eyes; it ought therefore to be cautioufly adminiftered, with the intervention of a purge of rhubarb and calomel.

Staphifagria. Staves-acre, the feed.—A large, rough, triangular, dark coloured feed, from the fouthern parts of Europe and Virginia. Biennial. Qual. Foctid fmell; intenfely bitter, acrid, and naufeous tafte. Draftic. poifonous, phthiriacal, efcharotic. Ufe. externally, in powder, ointment, or aqueous infufion, lice; itch, fungous ulcers. It is moftly effectual in the first cafe, by mixing it in a flight degree with hair powder.

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Tanacētum vulgare. Common Tanfey, the herb, and flower.—Large divided leaves, gold colour difcous flowers, and fmall oblong blackifh feeds. This plant grows on the road fides, and field borders. Qual. A rank, flrong finell, and a bitter, aromatic tafte. Deobftrucnt, flomachic, and anthelmintic. Ufe. Weak flomach, cachexy, gout, hyfteria, and worms. Defc. Aqucous infufion of leaves and flowers, to a pint in 24 hours; feeds in powder, like thofe of the fantonicum, with which they are generally mixed.

Taraxăcum. Dandelion, the rect, and herb. A plant commonly known. Perennial. Qual. The leaves and roots, have no fmell; a bitter tafte, and contain a bitter juice. Aperient, diuretic, refolvent. Ufe. Obstructions of the liver, jaundice. Defe. Purified expressed juice 2-4 oz. three times a day. The root, with forrel leaves, in broths, daily, for fome months, interposing a laxative dose of cream of tartar, Bergius fays, has removed hardness of liver, afcites, and gall stones. A fost watery extract, from two to four spoonfuls every morning.

Trifolium paludofum. Buck-bean, or Marsh trefoil, the berb.—In the marshes. Perenniel. Qual. No smell; very bitter taste. Antifcorbutic, djuretic, aperient, tonic. Use. Scurvy, gout, rheumatism, cachexy. Dose. In the manner of tea, with a little orange peel, a pint or more in the day; also in a watery extract, the fize of a nutmeg three times a day.

Tuffilāgo. Coltsfoot, the berb.—A fhort broad leaf, green above, and hoary underneath, grows on a moift clayey foil. Perennial. Qual. Smell, not unpleafant; tafte, flightly bitter, and rough. Pectoral. Ufa. Coughs and hectic complaints; in the form of tea, with a little liquorice root. Urtīca.

#### MEDICAMINA.

Urtīca. Stinging-nettle, the herb.—A common plant. Perennial. Qual. Smell, weak, and herbaceous; tafte, the fame. Diuretic, and cooling. Ufe. Hæmorrhagy, nephritic complaints. Defe. The juice 2-402. in infufion, and decoction. Externally, to a palfied limb, by urtication, or ftinging with nettles.

Uva Urfi. Bear's Wortleberry, the leaf.—An ever-green fhrubby plant, with oblong oval leaves, found on the fnowy mountains in Germany, Sweden, &c. Qual. The fmell of the dried leaves, like the extract of liquorice; tafte, aftringent, and bitter. Nephritic, and tonic. Ufe. Calculus, and in most diforders of the urinary paffages  $D_{2}$ . In powder 15—30gr. two or three times a day; a decoction or infusion of 1 or 2dr. in a pint of water, daily.

This, and fome other articles of German produce, although brought forward by men of fuperior talents and judgement, do not feem to have anfwered our expectations in this country, and are not unlikely to become ufelefs; poffibly, from the difference of conflictutions.



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Calamus Aromaticus, Acorus. Sweet feented flag, the root. Perennial. Grows in marsh ditches; long, crooked, and jointed, and runs transversely under the furface of the ground. Qual. A fweetish finell; a bitter aromatic taste. A warm stomachic and alexeterial. Use. Anorexia and fen-agues. Dose. In powder, 1 fcr.—1 dr. on the approach of the fit, and repeatedly during intermission, an infusion of 3 dr. twice a day.

Capficum vel piper Indicum. Indian pepper, the feed.— A filiquofe, or podded plant, native of the Eaft and Weft Indies, and grows in fome of our gardens. Annual. Qual. When frefh, yields a penetrating finell; either frefh, or dried, an acrid and fiery tafte. Aromatic and ftimulant. Ufe. Atonic gout, anorexia. paralyfis. Dofe. 3-8 gr. in pills.

Bergius prefcribes the following formula against obstinate tertians: R. Sem. Piper. Ind. gr. vi Bac. Lauri, fcr.

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fcr. 2. f. pulvis in partes tertias dividendus. One portion to be taken at the approach of the rigor; another on the following day, at the fame hour—the laft on the third day.

Sanguis Draconis. Dragon's-blood.—A refinous fubftance, imported from the East Indies in oval drops of a dark reddifh colour, which when powdered, yields a bright crimfon. The true dragon's-blood, is faid to be obtained from the ripe fruit of an arborefcent fhrub, called by Rumphius, Palmijuncus Draco. This refin is foluble in fpirit and oil, but not in water. Qual. Aftringent and incraffating. U/e. Hæmorrhage, uterine with alum. Externally, in Empl. Thuris Comp. It now gives place to a more efficacious gum; refin, called Kino, that by incifion exudes from an African tree, called Pau de Sang. quod vide.

Zedoaria. Zedoary, the root of a plant that grows in the East Indies.—The root is roundifh, compact, and ponderous; afh-coloured without, but white within. Qual. A fragrant camphor-like fmell; a bitterish aromatic taste. Stomachic and carminative. Use. Anorexia, spasimodic colic. Dese. In powder, 5—30 gr. or an aqueous infufion as tea.

## CORRIGENDA.

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