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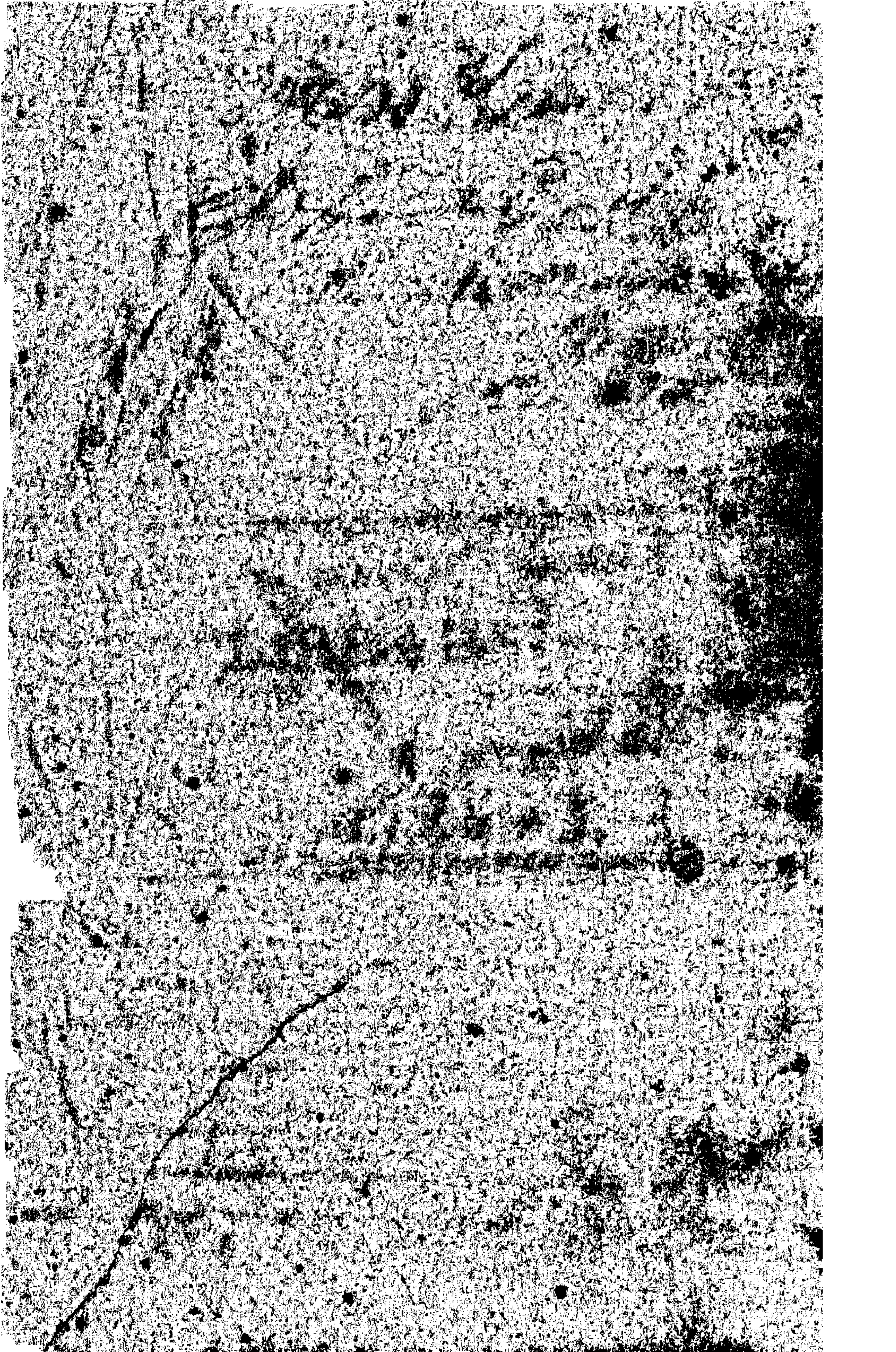
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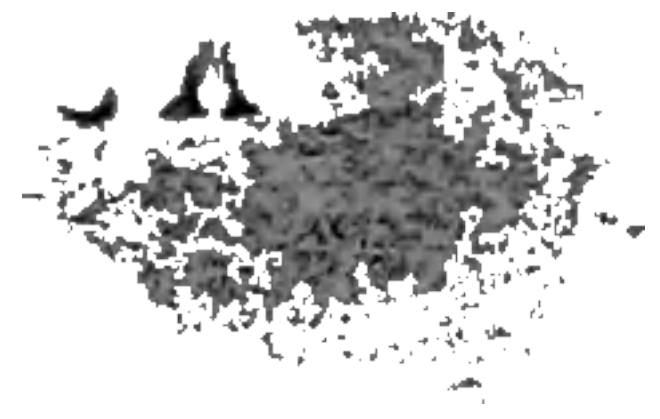
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An *Appendix* has been added, in which several important subjects have been treated at greater length than was compatible with their insertion into the body of the work. These subjects, some of which are arranged in a tabular form, afford matter for *study*, as well as for occasional *reference*, to the medical student.

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**A** (*a*). In words of Greek derivation this letter is employed, as a prefix, in a *privative* sense, as in *a-cephalous*, headless, *a-phonia*, voicelessness.

**AA** (contracted from *ἀνὰ*), 'of each;' an expression used in prescriptions, to denote that an equal quantity of two or more substances is to be employed.

**AAA**. A chemical abbreviation for *amalgama*, amalgamate.

[**ABANGA**. The name given by the inhabitants of the Island of St. Thomas to the eatable fruit of a palm tree which they term *Ady*. This fruit contains a stone, the kernel of which is much esteemed by the islanders in diseases of the chest. Three or four are given three or four times a day.]

**ABAPTISTON** (*a*, priv., *βαπτίζω*, to plunge). The perforating part of the trephine, which had formerly the figure of a truncated cone, to prevent its sudden plunging into the brain.

[**ABBREVIATION** (*brevis*, short). The contraction of a word or passage, made by dropping some of the letters, or by substituting certain marks or characters in their place. Abbreviations are used principally either for celerity or secrecy; and were probably resorted to for both purposes by the older physicians, who made copious use of them. They are chiefly used in *prescriptions*, under which head a list of them is given. See *Prescription*.]

**ABDOMEN** (*abdo*, to hide; or *abdo* and *omentum*). The belly, or the cavity situated between the thorax and the pelvis; so called from its containing the intestines, &c.

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**ABDOMINAL REGIONS**. The abdomen is distinguished into three transverse zones,—an upper, a middle, and a lower. Each zone is divided, by perpendicular lines, into three compartments or *regions*; a middle, and two lateral. They are thus named:—

1. *Epigastric Region*. The middle region of the upper zone, immediately over the small end of the stomach. The two lateral regions of this zone, situated under the cartilages of the ribs, are called the *hypochondriac*.

2. *Umbilical Region*. The middle region of the middle zone, immediately over the umbilicus. The two lateral regions of this zone, situated over the loins, are called the *lumbar*.

3. *Hypogastric Region*. The middle region of the lowest zone, situated below the stomach. The two lateral regions of this zone, situated over the ilia, are called the *iliac*.

4. *Inguinal Region*. By this term is denoted the vicinity of Poupert's ligament.

[**ABDOMINAL** (*abdomen*, the belly) belonging to the abdomen.]

**ABDOMINA'LES** (*abdomen*, the belly). An order of *Fishes* which have fins placed on the abdomen, as the salmon, the trout, &c.

**ABDUCTOR** (*abduco*, to draw from). *Abducent*. A muscle whose office is to draw one part of the body away from another. Thus, the rectus externus is called *abductor oculi*, from the action of this muscle in drawing the eye away from the nose. Its antagonist is called *adductor*.

**ABELMOSCHUS** (an Arabic term, sig-

nifying *musked seeds*). · Grana moschata; the musky seeds of a species of *Hibiscus*. A powder, called *poudre de Chypre* is prepared from these seeds in the East, for flavouring coffee.

**ABERRATION** (*aberro*, to wander from). A deviation from the natural state, as applied to the mind. Also, a deviation of the rays of light from the true focus of reflection or refraction, in certain lenses.

**ABIES** (*abeo*, quod in cælum longè abeat). The Fir; a genus of plants of the order *Coniferæ*, abounding in resin.

1. *Abietis resina*. L. Resin of the Spruce Fir; formerly called *thus* or frankincense; a spontaneous exudation from the tree.

2. *Pix abietina*. L. Pix Burgundica. [q. v.]

3. *Pix liquida*. Tar. [q. v.]

4. *Pix nigra*. Black pitch. [q. v.]

5. *Tar-water*. A solution of tar in water, having a sharp empyreumatic taste.

6. *Abietic acid*. An acid lately discovered in the resin of trees of the genus *Abies*. The old preparation, termed *acidum abietis*, is the peculiar acid liquor, yielded along with the essential oil, in distillation of the fresh branches or fruit of some species of *Abies*.

[**ABIRRITATION** (from *ab*, priv., and *irritatio*, irritation). Literally, absence of irritation. This term was used by Broussais and his school to denote a diminution of the vital phenomena in the different tissues.]

[**ABLACTATION** (*ab*, from, *lacto*, to give suck). This term denotes the cessation of the period of suckling, as regards the mother. The same period, with regard to the infant, is termed *weaning*.]

[**ABLATION** (*aufero*, to remove). Formerly employed in a very extensive signification, and expressed the subtraction of whatever was in excess, in the body; the reduction of regimen; and the diminution of the mass of blood, by bleeding, &c. Its meaning has been much restricted in modern times, and it is now principally used in surgery, as a generic term, expressive of all cases where a part is taken away. It includes two species, *Amputation* and *Extirpation*.]

**ABLEPSIA** (*a*, priv., *βλέπω*, to see). Blindness; privation of sight.

**ABLUENTS** (*abluo*, to wash away). Medicines formerly supposed to cleanse the blood, by washing away impurities.

**ABNORMAL** (*ab*, from, *norma*, a rule). Irregular; that which deviates from the usual order. The term *anormal* is also

employed to denote any thing that is *without rule* or order. The terms are nearly synonymous.

**ABOMA'SUM** (*ab*, dim., and *omasum*, the paunch). The fourth stomach of the *Ruminantia*. It is in this stomach of calves and lambs that *rennet* is formed.

**ABORTION** (*aborior*, to die; to be born before the time). Miscarriage; the premature expulsion of the fœtus from the uterus.

[**ABORTIVES**. Medicines supposed to act in a special manner on the gravid uterus, causing the expulsion of its contents.]

**ABRANCHIA**, (*a*, priv., *βράγchia*, gills). Animals which have no gills, or apparent external organs of respiration, but respire by the entire surface of the skin, or by internal cavities; as the earthworm, the leech, &c.

**ABRASION** (*abrado*, to shave off). The act of wearing or rubbing off, as the mechanical removal of the epidermis. Also, the matters abraded by the friction of surfaces of bodies.

**ABRUS PRECATORIUS**. Jamaica or Wild Liquorice, a leguminous plant. Its polished and parti-coloured seeds, called *jumble beads*, were formerly employed for rosaries, necklaces, &c.

**ABSCCESS** (*abscedo*, to separate). *Apostema*. An imposthume, gathering, or boil; a collection of pus formed or deposited in some tissue or organ. It is so named from the *separation* of the sides of the cavity which is produced. Where the skin is most thin, and fluctuation most palpable, the abscess is said to *point*, or to make its point.

[**ABSCISSION** (*abscidere*, to cut off). The cutting away of a part, more especially of a soft part. This is the only signification in which it is at present employed, though formerly used in several others.]

[**ABSINTHIN**. The resin of the *Ab-sinthium*.]

**ABSINTHIUM** (*a* priv., *ψίνθος*, pleasure; so named from its unpleasant taste). Common Wormwood; a species of *Artemisia*, yielding a bitter resin, termed *absinthin*. Infused in ale, it forms the beverage known by the name of *purl*. Its powers as a vermifuge have gained for it the name *wormwood*.

**ABSORBENTS** (*absorbeo*, to suck up). Two distinct sets of vessels, which *absorb* and convey fluids to the thoracic duct. These are the *lacteals*, which take up the chyle from the alimentary canal; and the *lymphatics*, which pervade almost every part of the body, which they take up in the form of lymph.



[In *Materia Medica*, this term has been applied:—1st. To those articles which when internally administered, have the property of chemically combining with, and thus neutralizing the acid secretions produced in certain morbid conditions of the digestive canal; and 2d, to certain external applications made to ulcers, gangrene, &c., for the purpose of arresting the progress of these diseases, and also to prevent the patient or his attendants from suffering from the fetid discharges.]

**ABSORPTION** (*absorbeo*, to suck up). The function of the *absorbents*, and, it is said, of the capillaries and veins.

1. *Interstitial Absorption*. The function by which the particles of the tissue which fill the meshes of the capillary network are removed, as in the atrophy of the tail of the tadpole, and of the pupillary membrane in the foetus, and in the development of cells in bones.

2. *Cutaneous Absorption*. A function of the skin, by which certain preparations, rubbed into the skin, have the same action as when given internally, only in a less degree. Thus, mercury, applied in this manner, cures syphilis, and excites salivation; tartrate of antimony is said to occasion vomiting; and arsenic produces poisonous effects.

3. *Absorption, in Chemistry*. This term denotes the passage of a gas or vapour into a liquid or solid substance; or that of a liquid into the pores of a solid. Thus, water absorbs carbonic acid gas, lime absorbs water, &c.

**ABSTERGENTS** (*abstergeo*, to cleanse). *Abstersives*. Lotions, or other applications for cleansing sores. Applied to suppurating surfaces, they are called *detersives*.

**ABSTINENCE** (*abstineo*, to abstain), *Cura famis*. Excessive or total privation of food.

**ABSTRACTION** (*abstraho*, to draw away). The process of distilling a liquid from any substance. See *Cohobation*.

[**ABSUS**. *Cassia Absus*. A small species of Egyptian lotus, termed by the natives *chimchin*. The seeds, powdered and mixed with an equal quantity of sugar, are used in Egypt in the commencement of purulent ophthalmia, as a dry collyrium.]

**ACA'CIA** (*ἀκάζω*, to sharpen). A genus of spiny trees and shrubs, of the order *Leguminosæ*.

1. *Acacia Catechu*. The Khair tree, which yields the Catechu, or Terra Japonica.

2. *Acacia Vera*. The Egyptian Thorn, which yields the *Gum Arabic*. This substance is produced by other species of

this genus, as *A. Arabica* and *Senegalensis*. [See *Gummi Arabicum*.]

3. *Mucilago Acaciæ*. Mucilage of Gum Arabic; a preparation consisting of one part of gum and two of water.

**ACALE'PHÆ** (*ἀκαλήφη*, a nettle). Sea-nettles; a class of gelatinous zoophytes found in the waters of the ocean, and so named from the sensation which they produce when touched.

[**ACALYPHA**. A genus of plants of the order *Euphorbiaceæ*.

[1. *Acalypha Betulina*. Birch-leaved Acalypha. A native of India. The leaves have an aromatic taste and smell, and they are much esteemed by the Hindoo practitioners as a stomachic in dyspepsia and cholera, and for their alterative properties. The dose is half a teacupful of the infusion twice a day.

[2. *A. Indica*. Indian Acalypha. This plant is much used by the Hindoos as an anthelmintic; the powder of the dried leaves or an infusion of them being given for the purpose.

[3. *A. Virginica*. Mercury weed. This species, found in most parts of the United States, is said to be useful as an expectorant and diuretic.]

**ACANTHA** (*ἄκανθα*, a thorn). A spine or prickle of a plant. A prickly fin of a fish. A spinous process of a vertebra. The term has been used for the spina dorsi. - Hence,

1. *Acantha-bolus* (*βάλλω*, to strike). Vol-sella. An instrument for extracting splinters of bones, &c., from wounds, the pharynx, &c.

2. *Acantho-ptyrgii* (*πτέρυξ*, a fin). Spinous-finned fishes, or fishes whose back-fins are bony and prickly.

**AGARDIAC** (*a*, priv., *καρδία*, the heart). Without a heart.

**A'CARUS**, (*ἄκαρι*, a very minute animalcule, from *a*, priv., and *κείρω*, to cut; a kind of *animal atom*). A mite found in cheese; a tick, said to be found in the pustules of the itch.

**ACATAPOSIS** (*a*, priv., *κατάποσις* deglutition). An inability to swallow liquids; synonymous with *hydrophobia*.

[**ACATASTATIC** (*a*, priv., *καθιστημι*, to determine). An epithet given to fevers, the paroxysms and succession of symptoms of which are irregular.]

**ACAULIS** (*a*, priv., *καυλός*, a cabbage-stalk). *Acaulescent*. Stemless; a term applied to certain plants, of which the stem is so short as to be almost reduced to nothing. The term *subcaulescent* would be preferable in these cases.

**ACAWERIA**. The Singalese designa-



tion of the root of the *Ophioxylon serpentinum*, a supposed antidote to the venom of serpents.

**ACCELERATION** (*accelero*, to hasten). Increased rapidity, as of the pulse, of the respiration, &c.

**ACCELERATOR** (*accelero*, to hasten). A muscle which contracts to expel or accelerate the passage of the urine.

[**ACCESS** (*accedo*, to approach). Paroxysm.]

**ACCESSION** (*accedo*, to approach). The approach or commencement of the pyrexial period, in fevers.

**ACCESSORII WILLISII** (*accedo*, to be added to). The *superior respiratory nerves*; a pair arising from the spinal marrow, and joining the *par vagum*.

[**ACCESSORY** (*accedo*, to be added to). That which has a dependence on, or is secondary to, some other. In *anatomy*, it is applied to certain muscles, ligaments, nerves, &c., which are joined to other similar parts, and assist in their functions.

In *physiology*, this term is given to certain phenomena which result from others which are primary or essential; such are the effects of the contraction of the diaphragm, in respiration, upon the abdominal viscera, the circulation, &c. In *pathology*, it is employed to designate certain phenomena which follow others without being a necessary consequence of them; as the swelling in the arm-pit, resulting from whitlow, or injury of the hand; &c. Finally, it is applied to several sciences, more or less intimately connected with medicine, but which hold a secondary rank, as respects the importance of a knowledge of them to the physician.]

[**ACCIDENT** (*accido*, to happen). *Accidens*. Every fortuitous and unforeseen occurrence.

[**ACCIDENTAL** (*accido*, to happen). That which happens unexpectedly.

[*Accidental Symptoms*. Those which supervene during a disease, but which are not necessarily connected with it. See *Epiphenomena*.

[*Accidental Tissue*. A structure developed by a morbid action.]

**ACCIDENTAL COLOURS**. A series of optical phenomena, so named by Buffon, and now known by the name of *Ocular Spectra*. If the eye be steadily directed, for some time, to a *white* wafer upon a *dark* ground, and be then turned aside, a well-defined image of the wafer will be perceived, with the colours reversed; the wafer will appear dark, the ground white. This new appearance is termed the *accidental colour*, or *ocular spectrum*. By

using differently coloured wafers, we obtain the following results:

| <i>Colour of Wafer.</i> | <i>Colour of Spectra.</i>       |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Black . . . . .         | White.                          |
| White . . . . .         | Black.                          |
| Red . . . . .           | Bluish Green.                   |
| Orange . . . . .        | Blue.                           |
| Yellow . . . . .        | Indigo.                         |
| Green . . . . .         | { Violet, with<br>a little Red. |
| Blue . . . . .          | Orange Red.                     |
| Indigo . . . . .        | Orange Yellow.                  |
| Violet . . . . .        | Bluish Green.                   |

Darwin classes the Spectra under the two heads of *direct* and *reverse*; the former depending upon the permanence of the impression, the latter upon exhaustion.

**ACCIPITRES** (*accipio*, to take). Rapacious birds; birds of prey: known by their hooked beak and talons. They are the diurnal and the nocturnal.

**ACCLIMATION**. Naturalization to a foreign or unusual climate; a term applied to animals or plants.

**ACCOUCHEMENT** (*accoucher*, to be brought to bed). Parturition; a woman's delivery; the expulsion of the fœtus from the uterus.

**ACCRETION** (*accresco* to grow to). The addition of new parts, as in the formation of a crystal by the position of new parts around a central nucleus. The organic and inorganic kingdoms are distinguished by their mode of increase; the former increasing by *intus-susception* and alimentation, the latter by *accretion* without alimentation.

[**ACCUMBENT**. Lying against any thing, as the edges of the cotyledons against the radicle in some cruciferous plants.]

**-ACEOUS**. Terminations in *-aceous* denote a resemblance to a substance, as *membranaceous*, resembling membrane; whereas terminations in *-ous* denote the substance itself, as *membranous*, belonging to membrane.

**ACEPHALA** (*a*, priv., *κεφαλή*, the head). Headless animals; a class of animals having no head, but merely a mouth concealed within the folds of their mantle, as the oyster.

[**ACEPHALOBRACHUS** (*a*, priv., *κεφαλή*, head, *βραχιων*, arm). A monster without head or arms.]

[**ACEPHALOCHEIRUS** (*a*, priv., *κεφαλή*, head, *χειρ*, hand). A monster without head or hands.]

**ACEPHALOCYST** (*a*, priv., *κεφαλή*, the head, *κύστις*, a bladder). The hydatid, or headless bladder-worm. See *Hydatid*.



[ACEPHALOGASTER (*a*, priv., κεφαλη, head, and γαστηρ, stomach). Monsters devoid of head, chest, and abdomen; or having an abdomen without head or chest.]

[ACEPHALOSTOMA (*a*, priv., κεφαλη, head, and στόμα, mouth). An acephalous fœtus, having at its upper part an opening resembling a mouth.]

[ACEPHALOTHORUS (*a*, priv., κεφαλη, head, and θωραξ, chest). Monsters devoid of head and chest; or which possess a chest and abdomen, but are devoid of a head.]

ACERIC ACID. A peculiar acid said to exist in the sap of the *Acer campestre*, or common Maple, in the state of acerate of lime.

[ACEROSE. Sharp-pointed, tapering to a fine point, as the leaves of juniper.]

ACERVULUS (dim. of *acervus*, a heap). Literally, a little heap; a term applied by Soemmering to a small quadrilateral mass of concretions collected under the tela choroidea, near the posterior commissure of the brain.

ACESCENT (*acesco*, to become sour). A term applied to substances which become sour spontaneously, as vegetable and animal juices, or infusions.

ACETABULUM (*acetum*, vinegar). Literally, a vinegar-cruet. Hence it denotes the *cup like* cavity of the os innominatum, which receives the head of the os femoris. Also, a Roman measure containing two ounces and a half.

ACETAL. A compound of aldehyde with ether; formed by the action of platinum black on the vapour of alcohol with the presence of oxygen. It is a colourless, very fluid liquid, having a peculiar odour, suggesting that of Hungary wines.

ACETONE. The new chemical name for *pyro-acetic spirit*; a limpid, colourless liquid, prepared by distilling a mixture of two parts of crystallized acetate of lead and one part of quicklime in a salt-glaze jar. It is highly inflammable, and burns with a white flame.

ACETOSÆ FOLIA (*acetum*, vinegar). Common Sorrel leaves; the leaves of the *Rumex Acetosa*. Their qualities depend on the presence of binoxalate of potassa.

ACETUM (*acer*, sour). Vinegar. The varieties of vinegar known in commerce are three: *wine vinegar*, *malt vinegar*, and *sugar vinegar*. The strongest malt vinegar is termed *proof vinegar*, and is called by the manufacturer No. 24; it is estimated to contain 4.73 per cent. of real acetic acid. These vinegars are formed by fermentation.

[In the United States, the vinegar of commerce is for the most part prepared

from cider. Within a few years, however, a considerable amount has also been made by the *German method*.]

1. *Acidum aceticum*. The sour principle which exists in vinegar. It occurs, ready formed, in several products of the vegetable kingdom, and is generated during the spontaneous fermentation of many vegetable and animal juices. By *real acetic acid* is meant such an acid as occurs in a dry acetate; it cannot exist in an uncombined state.

2. *Acidum aceticum dilutum*. Common distilled vinegar; dilute acetic acid, with very minute portions of uncombined mucilage and extractive.

3. *Acidum aceticum fortius*. This variety is obtained by distillation from *wood*, generally that of oak coppice deprived of its bark, and is then termed *pyroligneous acid*; by decomposing the acetates by sulphuric acid, and is then termed *radical vinegar*; and when mixed with camphor and essential oils, it is called "Henry's Aromatic Essence of Vinegar," and *Marseilles* or *Thieves' Vinegar*, or *Vinaigre des quatre voleurs*. See *Glacial Acid*.

4. *Acetas*. An acetate; a salt formed by the union of acetic acid with an alkaline, earthy, or metallic base.

5. *Acetis*. An acetite; a term formerly applied to those salts which are now called acetates.

6. *Acetica*. Preparations of vinegar, consisting of vegetable principles dissolved in vinegar, as that of colchicum, that of squill.

7. *Aceto-meter* (μέτρον, a measure). An instrument for estimating the strength of vinegars.

8. *Acetyl*. A hypothetical radical, produced by the abstraction of two atoms of oxygen from ethyl, by oxidating processes. It pervades a series of compounds, including acetic acid, from which it derives its name.

ACHÆNIUM (*a*, priv., χαίνω, to open). An *indehiscent* fruit; it is one-celled, one-seeded, superior, hard, and dry, with the integuments of the seed distinct from it. It occurs in the Labiatæ and the Boragineæ.

[ACHILLEA. Milfoil, Yarrow. A genus of plants, of the order *Compositæ*, several species of which have been employed as tonics and vermifuges

[1. *Achillea ageratum*. Sweet Maudlin. Formerly employed as a vermifuge.

[2. *A. millefolium*. Milfoil. This species has the properties of a mild aromatic, tonic and astringent. It formerly had great reputation as a vulnerary, and was also given internally for the suppression of hemorrhages and profuse mucous discharges.





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**ACONITUM NAPELLUS.** Common Monk's-hood, or Wolf's-hane; a plant of the order *Ranunculaceæ*, and one of our most active narcotico-acrid poisons. The *aconiti folia* of the Pharmacopœia appear to be the produce of the *Aconitum paniculatum*, the species introduced into medicine by Stürck.

1. *Aconiti acid.* An acid obtained from species of the genus *Aconitum*. It is also procured by the decomposition of citric acid by heat. It occurs in the form of small confused crystals.

2. *Aconitine.* An alkaloid obtained from the dried and bruised root and leaves of several species of aconite. It is in the highest degree poisonous.

**ACOPA,** (*a*, priv., *κοπος*, fatigue). Medicines against fatigue. *Celsus*.

**ACORIA** (*a*, priv., *κορεω*, to satisfy). Insatiable hunger.

**ACORUS CALAMUS.** Common Sweet Flag; a plant of the order *Aroideæ*, yielding the *calamus aromaticus*.

**ACOTYLEDONES** (*a*, priv., *κοτυληδών*, a seed-lobe). Acotyledonous plants; plants whose embryos have no cotyledons, or seedlobes. But the *acotyledonous embryo* is not exactly, as its name seems to indicate, an embryo without cotyledons; for, in that case, *cuscuta* would be acotyledonous. On the contrary, it is an embryo which does not germinate from two fixed invariable points, namely, the plumule and the radicle, but indifferently from any point of the surface, as in some *Araceæ*, and in all flowerless plants.

**[ACOUMETER** (*ακουω*, to hear, *μετρον*, a measure). An instrument devised by Itaxd for measuring the degree of hearing.]

**[ACOUOPHONIA, Cophonia.** (From *ακουω*, to hear, *φωνη*, voice). A mode of auscultic investigation in which the observer places his ear to the chest and analyses the sounds produced by percussion of the surface. *Donné*.)

**ACOUSTIC** (*ακούω*, to hear). Relating to the hearing, as the *nervus acusticus* vel *auditorius*—the *portio mollis* of the seventh pair. See *Auditory*.

**[ACRANIA** (*a*, priv., *κρανιον*, cranium). Deficiency of cranium.]

**[ACRID.** A term given to substances which produce in the organs of taste, a burning and irritating sensation.]

**[ACRIMONY.** *Humorum acrimonia*, acrimony of the humours. A supposed change in the fluids which was conceived to exist in all diseases. Sylvius de la Boe, Prol. at Leyden, the author of this hypothesis, was of opinion that there were two species of acrimony, one acid, the other alkaline.]

**[ACRINIA** (*a*, priv., *κρινω* to separate). A diminution in the quantity or a suppression of the secretions.]

**[ACRODYNIA** (*ἄκρος*, extremity, *δύνη* pain). This term was given to a disease which prevailed in Paris in the years 1828 and 1829, and the most prominent symptom of which was intense pain in the wrists and ankles.]

**ACRATIA,** (*a*, priv., *κράτος*, strength). Weakness; intemperance.

**AGROS** (*ἄκρος*). Extreme. An adjective denoting the termination of any thing.

1. *Acro-bystia* (*βύω*, to stop up). The extremity of the prepuce; or that part which covers the glans penis.

2. *Acro-cheir* (*χειρ*, the hand). A term used by Hippocrates to designate the forearm and hand.

3. *Acro-chordon* (*χορδή*, a string). An excrescence on the skin, with a slender base.

4. *Acro-gen* (*γεννάω*, to produce). Point-grower; the name of a plant which grows only at its point or top, as a fern tree. It is distinguished from an *exogen*, which grows by deposition on the exterior, and from an *endogen* which grows by deposition towards the interior, of its trunk.

5. *Acr-oleine* (*oleum*, oil). A substance of a highly pungent odour, given off by oils and fats when boiling at a high temperature. It is a sure and delicate test of the presence of glycerine in the oil.

6. *Acro-pathia* (*πάθος*, disease). A disease at any extremity of the body. Hippocrates applies this term to disease of the internal orifice of the uterus, and to cancer.

7. *Acro-posthia* (*πόσθη*, the prepuce). The extremity of the prepuce; a term synonymous with *acro-bystia*.

8. *Acro-spire* (*σπειρα*, a spire). That part of a germinating embryo which botanists call the *plumula*. It is sometimes called *plantula*.

9. *Acro-thymion* (*θύμων*, a wart). A conical, rugated, bleeding wart.

10. *Acr-olenion* (*ώλένη*, the cubit.) The upper extremity of the ulna; a term synonymous with *olecranon*.

11. *Acr-omion* (*ώμος*, the shoulder). The humeral extremity of the spinous process of the scapula.

12. *Acr-omphalion* (*ομφαλός*, umbilicus). The extremity of the umbilicus, or navel.

**ACROTISMUS** (*a*, priv., *κροτος*, pulse). Defect of pulse. *Asphyxia* is the term employed for this affection by Ploucquet. See *Crotophus*.

**[ACTÆA.** A genus of plants of the natural order *Ranunculaceæ*.

[1. *Actæa Racemosa.* Black snake-root; an American plant, recommended for its



expectorant, antispasmodic, and diaphoretic properties.

[2. *Actæa Spicata*. Baneberry. The root of this plant is purgative and sometimes emetic, and in over-doses poisonous.

[3. *Actæa Americana*. White and red cohosh. This is supposed to have similar medical properties with the preceding.]

ACTINIA (*ἄκτιν*, a ray of light). Sea Anemones or Animal Flowers; so named from the resemblance of their numerous tentacula to the petals of a flower.

ACTINOLITE (*ἄκτιν*, a ray of light. *λίθος*, a stone). A variety of hornblende.

ACTINOMETER (*ἄκτιν*, a ray of light, *μέτρον*, a measure). An instrument for measuring the intensity of light. This instrument indicates the force of sunshine at the Cape of Good Hope as  $48^{\circ} 75'$ , while ordinary good sunshine in England is only from  $25^{\circ}$  to  $30^{\circ}$ .

ACTION (*ἄγω*, to act). The motions or changes observed in the animal body. These are voluntary, involuntary, and mixed.

1. *Voluntary actions* are those produced by acts of the will, as the contractions of the muscles.

2. *Involuntary actions* are those excited either *mediately*, through the nerves and spinal marrow, as those of the larynx, pharynx, sphincters, &c.; or *immediately*, as those of irritability.

3. *Mixed actions* are those motions or alterations of inspiration and expiration which constitute the acts of respiration.

ACULEATE. Prickly; applied to a surface covered with prickles, as the stem of rosa.

ACUMINATE. Pointed; tapering gradually to a point, as the leaf of salix alba.

ACUPUNCTURE (*acus*, a needle, *pungo*, to prick). The insertion of needles into the skin or flesh.

[ACUTE, (*acus*, a needle). Diseases are termed acute which are of severe character, have a rapid progress, and short duration. Pain is called acute when it is sharp and pungent.]

ACUTENACULUM (*acus*, a needle, *tenaculum*, a handle). A needle-handle; the name given by Heister to the porte-aiguille.

[ACYANOBLEPSIA (*a*, priv., *κυανος*, blue, *βλεπω*, to see). Defect of vision consisting in an inability to distinguish blue.]

[ACYESIS (*a*, priv., *κνω*, to conceive). Sterility in woman.]

ADAMANT (*a*, priv., *δαμάω*, to subdue). The former name of the diamond.

*Adamantine Spar*. The crystals of Corundum, so named from their being next in hardness to *adamant*.

[ADDEPHAGIA (*ἄδδην*, much, *φαγω*, to eat.) Voracity, bulimia.]

ADDITAMENTUM (*addo*, to add). A term applied to the sutures which connect the parietal and occipital bones to the mastoid portion of the temporal.

*Additamentum pedum hippocampi*. The name given to a bulging observed in the substance which forms the bottom of the ventricles of the brain; it follows the direction of the cornua ammonis, and is sometimes equally large.

ADDITIONS (*addo*, to add). The trivial name applied to such articles as are added to the fermenting wash of the distiller.

ADDUCTOR (*adduco*, to draw to). *Adducent*. A muscle whose office is to bring one part toward another. Thus, the rectus internus is also called *adductor oculi*, from the action of this muscle in turning the eye towards the nose. Its antagonist is called *abductor*.

ADELPHIA (*ἀδελφός*, a brother). Literally, a *brotherhood*; a term applied in botany to a combination of the filaments of the stamens into a single mass. Thus, if there is only one combination, as in Mal-low, the filaments are said to be *mon-adelphous*; if there are two, as in Pea, they are *di-adelphous*; if three, as in some species of St. John's Wort, they are *tri-adelphous*; if many, as in Melaleuca, they are called *poly-adelphous*. The tube formed by the union of monadelphous filaments is termed, by Mirbel, *androphorum*.

ADEMONIA (*ἀδημονέω*, to be in despair). A term used by Hippocrates to denote anxiety, restlessness, &c.

ADEN (*ἄδην*). A gland. Hence.

[1. *Adenalgia* (*αλγω*, to suffer). Pain in a gland.]

[2. *Adenemphraxia* (*εμφρασσω*, to obstruct). Engorgement of a gland.]

[3. *Adeniform* (*forma*, form). Of a glandular form.]

[4. *Adenitis*. Inflammation of a gland.]

[5. *Adeno-graphy* (*γράφω*, to describe). A treatise on the glands.]

[6. *Adenoïd* (*εἶδος*, likeness). Resembling a gland; a term applied by Dr. Craigie to the flesh-like tumour of the brain.]

[7. *Adeno-logy* (*λόγος*, a treatise). The doctrine of the glands.]

[8. *Adeno-phyma* (*φῦμα*, a suppurating tumour). A swelling of a gland; as it occurs in the liver, it is called *hepatophyma*; but as it occurs in the inguinal gland, it is termed *bubo*.

[ADENO-MENINGEAL (*ἄδην*, a gland, and *μηνιγξ*, a membrane.) PINEL gave this epithet to the epidemic which prevailed at Goettingen in 1710, because the seat



of that fever was in the intestinal mucous membrane, and principally in the muciparous glands. It is the *Dothinen-teritis* of BRETONNEAU.]

[ADENO-MESENTERITIS (*αδην*, a gland, *μεσος*, midst, and *εντερον*, intestine). Inflammation of the lymphatic glands of the mesentery. *Tabes mesenterica*.]

[ADENO-NERVOUS (*αδην*, a gland, and *νευρον*, a nerve). PINEL has applied this epithet to the plague, the principal seat of which he places in the nerves and in the lymphatic glands of the armpit and groin.]

[ADENO-PHARYNGITIS (*αδην*, a gland, and *φαρυγξ*, the pharynx). Inflammation of the tonsils and pharynx.]

[ADENOPHTHALMIA (*αδην*, a gland, and *οφθαλμος*, the eye). Inflammation of the glands of Meibomius. *Lippitudo*.]

[ADENO-SCLEROSIS (*αδην*, a gland, and *σκληρος*, hard). SWEDIAUR has given this name to tumefactions and indurations of the glands, unaccompanied with pain, and which do not become scirrhous or cancerous.]

ADEPHAGIA (*αδην*, abundantly, *φαγω*, to eat). Voracious appetite. See *Bulimia*.

ADEPS. Fat; animal oil. Hence,

1. *Adeps preparata*. L. Prepared Lard.

2. *Adeps suillus*. D. Hog's lard; the fat of the *Sus scrofa*; vulgò, *axungia porcina*, used in the formation of ointments, plasters, and liniments.)

3. *Adeps anserinus*. Goose grease; formerly used as an emollient in enemata, and as a mild emetic.

4. *Adeps ovillus*. Sebum, or mutton suet.

ADHESION (*adhæreo*, to stick to). The process by which parts which have been separated, by accident or design, unite. This is owing to an intervening deposit of coagulating lymph, or albumino-fibrin, commonly called *cicatrix*.

1. *Union by the first intention* is a term used by Galen to express the union of surfaces, by bringing them into accurate contact with each other. It is now generally called the process of *adhesion*, or adhesive inflammation.

2. *Union by the second intention* is a term used by the same author to denote other processes which take place in the healing of wounds, when their surfaces unite more slowly. These are now generally comprised under the term *granulation*.

ADIANTUM (*a*, priv., *διαίνω*, to moisten). A genus of Ferns, so called because they cannot easily be made wet.

A. *Capillus Veneris*. Maiden-hair; the species from which *capillaire* is made.

ADIAPHOROUS (*a*, priv., *διαφέρει*, it differs). A volatile inodorous principle extracted from tartar by distillation.

ADIAPNEUSTIA (*a*, priv., *δια*, through, *πνέω*, to breathe). Defective or impeded perspiration. Nearly synonymous with *adiaphoresis*.

ADIPIC ACID (*adeps*, *adipis*, fat). An acid obtained by treating oleic with nitric acid.

ADIPOCIRE (*adeps*, fat, *cera*, wax). The fatty spermaceti-like substance into which muscle is converted by long immersion in water or spirit, or by burial in moist earth.

*Adipocire mineral*. A fatty matter found in the argillaceous iron ore of Merthyr; it emits a slightly bituminous odour when heated.

ADIPOSE MEMBRANE, or TISSUE. That which encloses the *adeps*, or fat.

ADIPOSIS (*adeps*, fat). Excessive deposition, or hypertrophy of the adipose substance.

ADIPSA (*a*, priv., *δίψα*, thirst). Medicines which quench thirst. A term applied by Hippocrates to oxymel.

ADIPSIA (*a*, priv., *δίψα*, thirst). The total absence of thirst.

ADJUVANS (*adjuvo*, to help). A constituent part of a medicinal formula, denoting 'that which assists and promotes the operation.' See *Prescription*.

ADNA'TA (*adnascor*, to grow to). Literally, *grown to*, or adhering; a term applied to the *tunica conjunctiva*, or external coat of the eye. This term is applied, in botany, to the *anther*, when it is attached to the filament by its back. [Adnate.] See *Anther*.

ADOLESCENCE (*adolesco*, to grow). The period of life in which the body has acquired its utmost developement; commencing at puberty, and terminating, in the male, about the twenty-fifth, and in the female, in the twenty-first year.

ADOPTER, or ADAPTER. A vessel with two necks placed between a retort and a receiver, and serving to measure the length of the neck of the former.

ADRAGANT, a corruption of *tragacanth*. [q. v.]

*Adrogantine*, see *tragacanthin*.

ADULT (*adolesco*, to grow). That which has reached the period when the body has acquired its full developement. This extends, in the male, from the twenty-fifth to the fiftieth year; in the female, from the twenty-first to the forty-fifth.



**ADULTERATION** (*adultero*, to adulterate). The mixing up noxious or inert ingredients with articles of food or medicine; the debasing any product of manufacture, especially chemical, by the introduction of cheap materials.

**ADUSTION** (*aduro*, to burn). The action of heat, as applied to the body.

**AD-UTERUM**. The analogue in birds of the Fallopian tubes, or of the Cornua in the Mammalia.

**ADVENTITIOUS** (*advenio*, to come to). Accidental, casual, that which is not normal; that which comes from some other person or thing; a term applied to false membranes; or opposed to the term *hereditary*.

**ADYNAMIA** (*a*, priv., *δύναμις*, power). The defect of power.

**ÆDOIA** (*αἰδοῖα*, pudenda, from *αἰδώς*, pudor). The pudenda. Hence,

[1. *Ædoiodynia* (*οδύνη*, pain). Pain in the genital organs.

[2. *Ædoi-tis*. Inflammation of the genital organs.]

3. *Ædo-ptosis* (*πτῶσις*, lapsus). Pro-lapsus of one or more of the pudenda. Sauvages and Sagar apply the term to the meatus urinarius, as well as to the uterus.

4. *Ædo-psophia* (*ψόφος*, a noise). Flatus from the urethra, or per vaginam.

**ÆGAGROPILUS** (*αἴξ*, a goat, *ἄγριος* wild, *πίλλος*, a ball of hair). A hair-ball; a concretion sometimes found in the intestines of the *Ruminantia*, &c. See *Bezoar*.

**ÆGILOPS** (*αἴξ*, a goat, *ὤψ*, the eye). *Anchilops*. A sore just under the inner angle of the eye, so called from the supposition that goats were subject to it.

**ÆGOBRONCHOPHONY**. The bleating and bronchial voice, the principal symptom in pleuropneumonia. See *Auscultation*.

**ÆGOPHONY** (*αἴξ*, a goat, *φωνή*, a voice). A peculiar sound of the voice, resembling the bleating of a goat. See *Auscultation*.

**ÆOLIPILE** (*Æoli*, *pila*, Æolus' ball). A hollow metal ball with a slender pipe for the purpose of converting water into steam.

**AER** (*ἀήρ*, *ἄερος*, air). This prefix denotes the presence of air or gas in the following terms:—

1. *Aërate*. To impregnate with carbonic acid gas, or fixed air, as in *aërated* or gas waters. The process is termed *aëration*.

2. *Aërial Acid*. The name given by Bergmann to Carbonic Acid, from an idea

that it entered into the composition of atmospheric air.

3. *Aëri-form* (*forma*, likeness). Air-like; a term applied to gaseous fluids, from the resemblance to common air.

4. *Aëro-lite* (*λίθος*, a stone). Air-stone; meteoric stone; a mineral substance which falls through the air.

5. *Aëro-meter* (*μέτρον*, a measure). An instrument constructed by Dr. M. Hall for ascertaining the changes in the temperature of the atmosphere; in the barometrical pressure; in the external and internal heights of the fluid in the pneumatic trough; and when this trough contains water, for the elevation and precipitation of aqueous vapour.

6. *Aëro-phobia* (*φοβέω*, to fear). The dread of air; a symptom of *hydrophobia*.

7. *Aëro-scropy* (*σκοπέω*, to investigate). The investigation of the air.

8. *Aëro-station*. The art of raising heavy bodies into the atmosphere, by the buoyancy of heated air, or gases of small specific gravity, enclosed in a balloon.

**ÆROSUS LAPIS** (*æs*, copper). The name given by Pliny to the *lapis calaminaris*, from the notion of its being a copper ore.

**ÆRUGO** (*æs*, copper). Verdigris; an impure sub-acetate of copper, formed by placing plates of the metal in contact with the fermenting marc of the grape, or with cloth dipped in vinegar. See *Verdigris*.

**ÆS CORINTHIUM**. A kind of brass produced, as it is said, by an accidental mixture of metals at the burning of Corinth; it appears, however, from Pliny to have been in use at Corinth long before the burning of that city.

[**ÆSCULUS HIPPOCASTANUM**. Horsechestnut. A plant of the order *Hippocastaneæ*. The bark has been used as a substitute for cinchona, and the powdered kernel of the fruit as a sternutatory.]

**ÆS USTUM**. Burnt copper; a preparation consisting of equal parts of copper and rough brimstone, laid in strata, with a small quantity of common salt sprinkled on each layer, and exposed to the fire till the brimstone is burned out. It has been called *æs Veneris*, *æs cremantum*, *cinis æris*, *crocus Veneris*, &c.

**ÆSCULINE**. An alkaloid lately discovered in the bark of the *Æsculus Hippocastanum*, or Horsechestnut; supposed to be a febrifuge.

**ÆSTHESIA** (*αἴσθησις*, sensibility, from *αἰσθάνομαι*, to perceive). Perception; feeling; sensibility.

1. *Dys-æsthesia*. Defective perception;



a morbid state of the corporeal senses generally.

2. *An-æsthesia*. Absence of the sense of touch. The former term is extended to all the senses; the present is limited to a single sense!

3. *Æstheterium*. The sensorium.

**ÆSTIVATION** (*æstivus*, belonging to summer). *Præfloration*. A term used in botany, to express the manner in which the parts of a flower are arranged with respect to each other, before their expansion. Compare *Vernation*.

**ÆSTUS VOLATICUS** (*æstus*, heat, *volo*, to fly). A term applied to transient heats, or erythema of the face.

**ÆTAS**. Age; a term including the several states of life, as infancy, youth, old age, &c. The best Roman writers expressed these periods in the following terms:—

1. *Ætas firmata*. The prime or full strength of age; the age of thirty.

2. *Ætas constans*. The steady age; the age of forty.

3. *Ætas matura*. The age of maturity, or prudence; the age of fifty.

4. *Ætas provecta*. Advanced age.

5. *Ætas ingravescens*. The burdensome age; the weight of years.

6. *Ætas decrepita*. Decrepit age, as relates to countenance and state of old age.

7. *Ætas affecta*. The state of total decay in the human frame.

8. *Ætas exacta, vel precipitata*. The decline of age; the end of life.

9. *Ætas extrema*. The approaching end of life.

**ÆTHER** (*αιθηρ*, ether). A highly volatile and inflammable fluid, produced by the action of acids on alcohol.

1. *Æther Hoffmanni*. Hoffman's anodyne solution, or the *Spiritus Etheris Sulphurici Compositus*. L., [U. S.]

2. *Æther sulphuricus rectificatus*. L. Rectified ether. This is the ethereal liquor sold under the names of *Ether*, and *Sulphuric* or *Vitriolic Ether*.

3. *Æther nitrosus*. Nitrous ether, or the *Naphtha Nitri*.

4. *Æther sulphuricus*. L. Sulphuric or Vitriolic ether, or *Naphtha Vitrioli*.

**ÆTHIOPS** (*αιθω*, to burn, *ὤψ*, the eye). The name of a medicine, so called from its black appearance, resembling that of the *Æthiop*.

1. *Æthiops mineral*. The black sulphuret of mercury, or the *Hydrargyri sulphuretum cum sulphure*. L. [*Hydrargyri sulphuretum nigrum*. U. S.] As an anthelmintic, it has received the name of *poudre vermifuge mercurielle*.

2. *Æthiops per se*. The name given by Boerhaave to the gray oxide formed by long agitation of mercury in a bottle half full of air.

3. *Æthiops vegetabilis*. A name given to a species of charcoal, prepared by burning the *fucus vesiculosus* in the open air, and reducing it to a black powder.

4. *Æthiops antimonialis*. A term applied in Germany to a compound of the *hydrargyri sulphuretum cum sulphure* with sulphuret of antimony.

5. *Æthiops Martial*. An old name for the deutoxide of iron.

**ÆTHOGEN** (*αιθων*, brilliant, *γείνομαι*, to become). A compound of boron and nitrogen, lately discovered by Mr. Balmain. It gives a brilliant phosphorescent light when heated before the blowpipe.

**ÆTHRIOSCOPE** (*αιθρία*, serene weather, *σκοπέω*, to examine). An instrument invented by Sir John Leslie for indicating the power of the clouds in preventing radiation. It consists of the differential thermometer, having one of the balls excluded from the light, and the other placed in a polished metallic cup. Exposed to a clear part of the sky, the heat radiated from it escapes rapidly, and the temperature falls; exposed to a cloud, the radiated heat is restored, and there is no reduction of temperature.

**ÆTHUSA CYNAPIUM**. Lesser Hemlock, or Fool's Parsley; a plant of the order *Umbelliferae*, possessing poisonous properties. It yields an alkaloid, called *cynapia*.

**ÆTIOLOGY** (*αιτία*, a cause, *λόγος*, a treatise). The doctrine of the causes of disease.

**ÆTITES LAPIS** (*αιετός*, an eagle). Eagle-stone, a variety of iron ore; so called from the belief that it was found in the nest of the eagle, where it was supposed to prevent the eggs from becoming rotten.

[**AFFECTIVE FACULTIES**. The propensities and sentiments.]

[**AFFERENT** (*ad*, to, and *fero*, to carry). *Afferens*. This epithet is given to the vessels which convey lymph to the lymphatic glands.]

**AFFINITY** (*affinitas*, relationship). That kind of attraction by which different classes of bodies combine to form new bodies, as in the case of an acid with an alkali, forming a salt. The term was introduced from the idea that chemical attraction takes place between those substances only which resemble each other.



1. *Single affinity* is the power by which two elementary bodies combine.

2. *Elective affinity* denotes the preference which one body manifests in combining with another, rather than with a third, a fourth, &c.

3. *Double elective affinity* occurs when two compounds decompose each other, and two new compounds are formed, by an exchange of elements. This is also called *double decomposition*, or *complex affinity*.

4. *Quiescent affinity* is that which tends to maintain the elements of a compound in their present state, preventing decomposition. This, and the following term, were introduced by Kirwan:

5. *Divellent affinity* is that which tends to arrange the particles of a compound in a new form, producing decomposition. In mixing different compounds, if the sum total of the *divellent* be more powerful than that of the *quiescent* affinities, decomposition takes place.

6. *Disposing affinity* is that which promotes the tendency of bodies to combine in a particular way, by presenting to them a third substance which exerts a strong attraction to the compound they form; when the combination has been effected, the third substance may be withdrawn. Some writers call this tendency to unite, the *affinity of intermedium*. Berthollet styles it *reciprocal affinity*.

7. Berthollet distinguishes affinity into *elementary*, when it takes place between the elementary parts of bodies; and *resulting*, when it is a compound only, and would not take place with the elements of that compound.

**AFFLATUS** (*afflo*, to blow to). A blast, vapour, or blight. A species of erysipelas, which attacks persons suddenly.

**AFFLUXUS** (*affluo*, to flow to). *Forma specifica*. Names given in former times to a supposed reciprocal influence of terrestrial bodies; it was compared to the effect of a magnet on iron, and of amber on chaff.

[In pathology it signifies the flow or determination of humours to a part.]

**AFFUSION** (*affundo*, to pour upon). Generally, the pouring of water over the surface of the body, the head, &c. There are different kinds of affusions, as.

1. *Lotions*, which consist in washing a part of the body with a sponge or rag soaked in a liquid.

2. *Aspersions*, which consist in throwing a liquid, drop by drop, like rain, upon the body.

3. *Shower-baths*, which consist in throwing a column of water with more or less violence upon the surface of the body. When water is thrown from a considerable height, this kind of affusion is termed by the French *douche*, or dash.

**AFTER-BIRTH**. A term applied to the placenta and the membranes of the ovum, from their being expelled after the delivery of the fœtus.

**AFTER-PAINS**. A term applied to the contractions of the uterus which are continued for a certain length of time after delivery.

**AGALACTIA** (*a*, priv., *γάλα*, milk). The defect of milk after child-birth.

**AGAMOUS** (*a*, priv., *γάμος*, marriage). Sexless; a term applied to the *cryptogamous* plants, from the notion that they possess *no sexual* characters.

**AGARICUS**. Agaric; the generic name of the mushroom family: Order, *Fungi*; Class, *Cryptogamia*.

*Agaricus Quercus*, *Boletus igniarius*; Agaric of the Oak, or Touchwood; a fungus formerly used for arresting external hæmorrhages.

**AGARICUS MINERALIS**. The *mountain milk* or *meal* of the Germans; one of the purest of the native carbonates of lime, found in clefts of rocks, &c. It is named from its resemblance to an agaric in texture and colour.

**AGATE**. A hard siliceous stone, used by lapidaries for engraving seals, cameos, and other objects of ornament. It is composed chiefly of quartz with various colouring matters.

[**AGATHOSMA CRENATUM**, *Diosma crenata*, *Barosma crenata*. See *Buchu*.]

**AGAVE CUBENSIS**. A species of American aloe, the roots of which resemble the red sarsaparilla of the shops.

**AGEDOITE**. A name erroneously given by Robiquet to the juice of the liquorice root, which is, in fact, *asparagin*.

**AGENNESIA** (*a*, priv., *γεννάω*, to beget). Male sterility; inability to beget offspring. As applied to the *brain*, it denotes imperfect developement and atrophy of that organ.

**AGENT** (*ago*, to act). A substance capable of producing chemical action.

**AGES OF LIFE**. The periods of human life characterized by the most remarkable processes of developement, or by their completion, are the following:—

1. *The period of embryonic life*. During this period the processes of formation and growth are in their greatest activity.



The organs which are forming present none of their functional phenomena, or only a gradual commencement of them.

2. *The period of immaturity.* This period extends from birth to puberty. It is marked by growth, by the development of the forms of the different parts of the body, and by the gradual perception and analysis, by the mind, of the different phenomena of the senses. The period of *childhood* comprises the first six years; that of *boyhood* extends to the fifteenth year.

3. *The period of maturity.* This period begins at puberty and ends at the period when the generative power is lost, which in woman occurs about the forty-fifth or fiftieth year. This period is distinguished into the ages of *youth*, and *manhood* or *womanhood*.

4. *The period of sterility.* This period extends from the cessation of the fruitful exercise of the generative function to extreme old age. Müller.

AGEUSTIA (*a*, priv., γεύομαι, to taste). Defect or loss of taste.

AGGLUTINATION (*agglutino*, to glue). Adhesive union; the adhesion of parts by means of a coagulating substance. See *Adhesion*.

AGGREGATE (*aggregatus*, herded together). A body, or mass, made up of smaller bodies or masses. The smallest parts into which an aggregate can be divided without destroying its chemical properties are called *integrant parts*. [In botany, this term signifies crowded together, as the florets of the compositæ, the carpels of ranunculus, &c.]

AGGREGATION (*aggrego*, to bring together). A form of attraction, commonly called that of *cohesion*, by which the particles of bodies are *aggregated* or retained in the state of a solid.

AGLIA (ἀγλίη). A whitish speck of the cornea.

AGNINA MEMBRANA (*agninus*, from *agnus*, a lamb, *membrana*, a membrane). The name given by Aëtius to one of the membranes of the foetus, from its tenderness.

AGNUS CASTUS. The chaste tree, a species of *Vitex*, formerly celebrated as an antaphrodisiac. This name has been given to *Castor oil*, or the oil of the *Ricinus communis*, from its effects upon the body and mind.

AGOMPHIASIS (*a*, priv., γόμφος, a nail). *Agomphosis*. Looseness of the teeth; a condition, the reverse of gomphosis.

[AGONY (αγων, a combat). The last

struggle of life against death. The series of phenomena which usually precede death, and which result from the gradual and successive abolition of the functions.]

AGRIA (ἀγριος, wild). The name under which Celsus notices the *Lichen ferus*, or wild Lichen, as applied to it by the Greeks, from the *violence* with which it rages.

[AGRIMONIA EUPATORIA. *Common Agrimony*. A plant of the natural order *Rosaceæ*, used in medicine as a corroborant and astringent. It has also been recommended as a deobstruant in jaundice and as an alterative in diseases of the skin. The plant is given in substance, infusion or decoction; the dose of the first is a drachm.]

AGRIPPA (ἄγρᾱ, capture, ποῦς, a foot). A child born with the *feet foremost*. Hence the name of some celebrated Romans.

AGRYPNIA (ἄγρᾱ, a capture, ὕπνος, sleep). Watchfulness; want of sleep.

AGRYPNOCOMA (ἀγρῦπνία, sleeplessness, κῶμα, drowsiness). A lethargic state without actual sleep.

AGUE. Intermittent fever. This term appears to be derived from a Gothic word denoting *trembling* or *shuddering*.

AGUE CAKE. Enlargement of the spleen, induced by ague.

AGUE DROP. A solution of the Arsenite of Potassa, or the *Liquor Arsenicalis* of the Pharmacopœia.

AGYRTA (ἀγυρῖς, a crowd of people). Formerly a mountebank; a person who collected a crowd about him; a quack.

AIR (ἀήρ, aër). In popular language, this term denotes the *atmosphere*, or the gaseous fluid which surrounds the earth. It consists, *when pure*, of 20 oxygen and 80 nitrogen: it contains, however, carbonic acid, varying from 3 to 8 parts in 10,000 by weight. The term is also generally used to denote a *gas*, or a permanently elastic or *aëriiform fluid*.

1. *Rarefied air* is that which is expanded, or less dense than usual.

2. *Condensed air* is that which is rendered more dense than usual by pressure.

3. *Inflammable air*, formerly called phlogiston, or phlogisticated air, is a term applied to hydrogen gas, owing to its inflammable property.

4. *Vital air*, formerly called dephlogisticated air, empyreal air, &c., is a term applied to oxygen gas, from its being indispensable to the maintenance of life.

5. *Fixed air*, formerly called mephitic air, is a term for carbonic acid, from its





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been found in wheat, rye, barley, peas, and beans.

**ALBURNUM** (*albus*, white). The external, last formed, and *whiter* portion of the wood of exogenous trees. From its being the channel of the ascending sap, it is commonly called *sap-wood*. Compare *Duramen*.

**ALCARGEN**. Another name for *cadodylic acid*. It is found by leaving *cadodyl* and its oxide under water to the slow action of the air.

**ALCARRAZAS**. A species of porous pottery made in Spain, for the purpose of cooling water by its transudation and copious evaporation from the sides of the vessel.

**ALCARSIN**, *Liquor of Cadet*. A liquid obtained by the dry distillation of equal weights of acetate of potash and arsenious acid. It is remarkable for its insupportable odour and spontaneous inflammability in air. See *Cadodyl*.

**ALCHEMILLA**. A genus of plants, so named from their pretended *alchemical* properties. *A. arvensis* is the Lady's Mantle, Parsley Breakstone, or Parsley Piert (*perce pierre?*), so named from its supposed efficacy in stone. Order, *Sanguisorbeæ*.

**ALCHEMY** (*al*, Arab., *chimia?* chemistry). The fanciful search of the *Alchemists* or *Adepts* after the

1. *Lapis Philosophorum*, or philosopher's stone, by which the baser were to be transmuted into the precious metals.

2. *Elixir vitæ*, or essence of life, by which human life was to be indefinitely prolonged.

**ALCOHOL** (an alchemical term for the essence of bodies, separated by sublimation from the impure particles). Ardent spirit of wine. A term applied to the pure spirit obtained by distillation from all liquids which have undergone vinous fermentation. When diluted with an equal weight of water, it is termed *Proof Spirit*, or *Spiritus tenuior*, of the Pharmacopœia. [*Alcohol dilutum*. Ph. U. S.] The first product of distillation is technically called *low wine*, and is again subjected to distillation. The latter portions of what comes over are called *feints*, and are reserved for a further process in the washstill. The second product is termed *raw spirit*, and when again distilled is called *rectified spirit*. The strongest alcohol which can be procured is termed *absolute alcohol*, to denote its entire freedom from water.

*Alcohol*. L. D. Rectified spirit distilled from the subcarbonate of potassa dried.

1. *Alcohol Ammoniatum*. [*Spiritus ammoniæ*. Ph. U. S.] A combination of alcohol and ammonia, prepared by passing ammoniacal gas into alcohol, which must be kept cool.

2. *Alcoholates*. Official medicines, differing from alcoholic tinctures; first, in the menstruum containing the volatile principles of medicinal substances; and, secondly, in their mode of preparation, which consists in impregnating the alcohol with medicinal principles, first by maceration, and then by distillation.

3. *Alcoates*. Compounds of salts with alcohol, similar to hydrates, discovered by Mr. Graham.

4. *Alcoholometer* (*μέτρον*, a measure). **Ænometer**. An instrument for ascertaining the quantity of spirit contained in any vinous liquid.

**ALCOHOL OF SULPHUR**. The name given to the *bisulphuret of carbon* by Lampsadius, who regarded it as a compound of sulphur and hydrogen. See *Carbon*.

[**ALCORNOCQUE**. A bark from South America at one time lauded as a specific in phthisis pulmonalis. The dose of the powder is ℥ss; of the strong decoction ℥ij to ℥iij.]

**ALDEHYDE**. A newly discovered colourless liquid, one of the products of the oxidation of alcohol. Its name is derived from the first syllables of the word *alcohol* and *dehydrogenatus*. Aldehyde is, in fact, alcohol *minus* hydrogen.

1. *Aldehydic* or *Acetous Acid* is prepared from aldehyde, and may be regarded as acetic acid deprived of an equivalent of water.

2. *Resin of Aldehyde* is a product of the decomposition of aldehyde by alkalis, with the assistance of air.

**ALE**. The fermented infusion of pale malted barley, usually combined with infusion of hops. See *Beer*.

**ALEMBIC** (*Arabic*). A chemical vessel, of glass or metal, formerly used in distillation, but now generally superseded by the retort. It consists of a *body*, cucurbit, matrass, or boiler; a *head*, or capital, fitted to the body by grinding, or lute; and a *tube*, which conducts the distilled liquid into a *receiver*. Compare *Retort*.

**ALEMBROTH SALT** (a Chaldee term, signifying the *key of art*). The *Salt of Wisdom* of the Alchemists. The name formerly given to the crystals which separate from a solution of corrosive muriate of mercury and muriate of ammonia in water. It is a compound of bichlo-



ride of mercury and sal ammoniac, from which the old white precipitate of mercury is made.

[ALETRIS FARINOSA. Star-grass. A plant of the order *Liliaceæ*, the root of which is employed as a tonic. The dose of the powder is ten grains.]

ALEXIPHARMICS (*ἀλέξω*, to repel, *φάρμακον*, poison). *Alexiteria*. Antidotes to poisons.

[ALEZE, ALESE, or ALAISE (*αλεξω*, to protect.) A cloth several times folded; employed for the protection of the bed and clothes of patients from purulent and other discharges, blood, &c.]

ALGÆ (*Alga*, a sea-weed). *Algaceæ*. The Sea-weed tribe of Cellular or Cryptogamic plants. Leafless, flowerless plants, without any distinct axis of vegetation, growing in water. *Reproductive matter*, either absent or contained in the joints of the filaments, or deposited in peculiar these formed in the substance of the frond. *Sporules* without any proper integument.

ALGAROTH, POWDER OF. A compound of oxide and chloride of antimony, so called after a physician of Verona. It is a precipitate, formed by pouring the sesqui-chloride of antimony into water.

ALGE'DO (*ἄλγος*, pain). Inflammation of the neck of the bladder, occurring in gonorrhœa; a term seldom used.

ALGOR (*algeo*, to be cold). A sudden chilliness or rigour. *Sauvages*.

[ALIBLE (*alo*, to nourish). Nutritive.]

ALICA (*alo*, to nourish). A kind of wheat; pottage, or drink made of corn, as frumenty, barley-broth, &c. *Celsus*.

[ALICES (*αλιζω*, to sprinkle). Reddish spots in the skin which precede the irruption of small-pox.]

ALIENATIO (*alieno*, to estrange). Mental derangement.

ALIFORMIS (*ala*, a wing, *forma*, likeness). Pterygoid, or wing-like; as applied to processes of the sphenoid bone. See *Alaris*.

ALIMENT (*alimentum*, food). Substances which nourish the body. According to Hippocrates, there are different kinds of food, and but one kind of nutriment or aliment; with him, the term aliment denoted the product of digestion.

ALIMENTARY CANAL. The entire passage through which the aliment or food passes. It is a musculo-membranous tube, extending from the mouth to the anus.

[ALISMA PLANTAGO. Water Plantain. A plant which was at one time believed to be a specific in hydropho-

bia. The leaves are rubefacient, and will sometimes even blister. They have been given in gravel and disorders of the bladder in the dose of a drachm.]

ALIZARINE (*alizari*, madder). The red colouring matter of madder. The roots of the *Rubia Tinctorum*, which yield this substance, are sold in the south of France, under the name of *alizari*: a powder is prepared from it, called *garance*.

ALKAHEST. The pretended universal solvent, or menstruum of the ancient chemists. But, if it dissolve all substances, in what vessels can it be contained?

ALKALI (Arab, *al*, the, *kali*, the name of a particular plant, and an old name for *potash*). A substance which unites with acids in definite proportions, and changes vegetable blues to green. It is of three kinds:—

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| 1. The Vegetable,<br>or Potash,                                                                               | } or <i>fixed</i> alkalies,<br>being <i>left</i> in the<br>ashes of inland<br>and marine plants<br>respectively. |
| 2. The Mineral,<br>or Soda,                                                                                   |                                                                                                                  |
| 3. The Animal, or Ammonia, or <i>volatile</i> alkali, being <i>raised</i> by distillation from hartshorn, &c. |                                                                                                                  |

1. *Alkali Prussian*. *Phlogisticated alkali*. A name formerly given to a fixed alkali, when ignited with some animal substance, and lixivated. It is found to be in a great measure saturated with Prussic acid.

2. *Alkalescent*. A term applied to substances in which alkaline (ammoniacal) properties are becoming developed. The term is generally applied to the urine.

3. *Alkalimeter* (*μέτρον*, a measure). An instrument for ascertaining the quantity of alkali in given substances, by the quantity of dilute sulphuric acid of a known strength which a certain weight of them can neutralize.

4. *Alkalina*. A class of substances described by Cullen as comprehending the substances otherwise called *antacida*.

5. *Alkaline air*. The term by which Priestly first described ammonia or ammoniacal gas: the volatile alkali.

6. *Alkaline earths*. Substances which possess alkaline properties; such are magnesia, lime, baryta, and strontia.

7. *Alkalinity*. The property of an alkali, that of turning vegetable blues into green.

8. *Alkalization*. The impregnation of any substance with an alkali.

9. *Alkaloïds* (*alkali* and *εἶδος*, likeness). Vegetable Alkalies and Bases. These



are substances having some of the properties of alkalies, the discovery of which may be dated from 1816.

**ALKANA.** The name of the root and leaves of the *Lausonia inermis*, a plant employed in the East for dyeing the nails, teeth, hair, garments, &c. See *Henné*.

**ALKANET.** See *Anchusa Tinctoria*.

**ALKEKENGE.** Winter Cherry; the fruit of the *Physalis Alkekengi*, used in nephritis, dysuria, ascites, &c.

**ALLANITE.** The name of a mineral containing *cerium*, found in Greenland, and named in honour of Mr. Allan, who first distinguished it as a species.

**ALLANTOIS** (ἀλλᾶς, a sausage, εἶδος, likeness). *Allantoïdes membrana*. 1. A thin transparent membrane, situated between the amnion and the chorion. 2. A vesicle or sac projecting at the lower end of the alimentary canal, in the embryo.

1. *Allantoic Acid*. A compound described by Vauquelin under the name of *amniotic acid*, and said to exist in the liquor amnii of the cow. It was found by Dzondi to be present solely in the liquor of the allantois, and to be in fact the urine of the fœtus.

2. *Allantoin*. A crystalline substance found in the allantoic fluid of the cow, and produced artificially by boiling uric acid with the pure-coloured oxide, or peroxide, of lead.

**ALLIGATION** (*alligo*, to bind). An arithmetical formula for ascertaining the proportion of constituents in a mixture, when they have undergone no change of volume by chemical action. When alcoholic liquors are mixed with water, there is a condensation of bulk, which renders this arithmetical rule inapplicable. The same thing occurs, to a certain extent, in the union of metals by fusion.

**ALLIUM** (*oleo*, to stink). A genus of plants of the order *Asphodeleæ*, containing an acrid principle.

1. *Allii Radix*. Garlic bulb; the bulb of the *Allium sativum*.

2. *Allii Cepæ Bulbus*. Onion bulb; the bulb of the *Allium cepa*.

3. *Allium Porrum*. The Leek.

**ALLOPATHIA** (ἄλλος, other, πάθος, disease). *Heteropathia*. The art of curing, founded on *differences*, by which one morbid state is removed by inducing a different one. See *Homœopathy*.

**ALLOXAN.** The *erythric acid* of Brugnatelli, discovered in the decomposition of uric acid. *Alloxanic acid* is produced by the metamorphosis of alloxan by caustic alkalies.

*Alloxantin*. A crystalline substance observed by Dr. Prout among the products of the decomposition of uric acid by nitric acid.

**ALLOY.** A term applied to a combination of metals by fusion, except when mercury is one of them, in which case the compound is called an *amalgam*.

**ALLSPICE.** Pimento berries, or Jamaica pepper; the fruit of the *Eugenia Pimenta*, a Myrtaceous plant.

**ALLU'VIUM** (*alluo*, to wash near to). The soil which is formed by the destruction of mountains, when their particles are washed down and deposited by torrents of water.

**ALMOND OIL.** A bland fixed oil, obtained usually from bitter almonds by the action of a hydraulic press, either in the cold or by means of hot iron plates.

**ALMONDS.** *Amygdalæ*. This term is applied, popularly, to the exterior glands of the neck and to the tonsils. [The nuts of the *Amygdalus communis*.]

[**ALNUS.** Alder. A genus of plants of the order *Betulineæ*.

[1. *Alnus glutinosa*. Common European Alder. The bark of this plant has been used in intermittent fevers, the bruised leaves are sometimes applied to the mammæ to arrest the secretion of milk.

[2. *A. serrulata*. Common American Alder. This species has analogous properties to the preceding.]

**ALOE.** A genus of plants of the order *Asphodeleæ*; characterized by an intensely bitter taste.

1. *Aloës Spicatæ Extractum*. L. Aloes; an extract prepared from the Aloe Spicata, or Socotrine Aloe. In this species the bitter taste is accompanied by an aromatic flavour.

2. *Aloe Hepatica; Extractum*. E. D. Barbadoes Aloes; an extract prepared from the Aloe Hepatica, formerly Barbadoensis; of a much stronger and less pleasant odour than the preceding.

3. *Fetid* or *Caballine Aloes*. A very impure variety, having the appearance of bitumen, and used chiefly for horse medicine, as one of its names imports.

4. *Red Aloes*. A variety supposed to be a natural exudation from the Aloe Spicata, which has concreted in the sun.

5. *Mocha Aloes*. Probably only a variety of that known in commerce as the Socotrine Aloes. Little is known of it.

6. *Indian and Mozambique Aloes*. A very impure variety, apparently of an intermediate quality between the Hepatic and the Caballine.



**ALOES WOOD** (*Lignum Aloës*). A fragrant resinous substance, consisting of the interior of the trunk, the *Aquilaria ovata*, and *A. agallochum*.

**ALOETIC ACID.** The precipitate procured by heating nitric acid on aloes.

**ALOETICS.** Medicines in which aloes are the principal ingredient.

[**ALOGOTROPHIA** (*αλογος*, disproportionate, *τροφη*, nutrition). Unequal nutrition, as when one part receives a greater degree of nourishment than another.]

**ALOPE'CIA** (*ἀλώπηξ*, a fox). *Fluxus capillorum*; *area*; *calvities*. Baldness, or the falling off of the hair.

**ALPHAORCEIN.** Dr. Kane finds the orcein of archil to be often a mixture of two substances, differing in their proportion with the age of the archil, which he names *alpha-orcein* and *beta-orcein*; the latter is produced by the oxidation of the former, and is the orcein of Robiquet and other chemists.

**ALPHITA** (plural of *ἄλιτον*, fatina). Barley meal; barley meal fried.

**ALPHONSIN.** An instrument for extracting balls, invented by Alphonso Ferrier, of Naples.

**ALPHOS** (*ἄλφος*, white). A Greek synonym for the *Lepra alphoïdes*, or White Lepra.

**ALTERANTIA NERVINA.** A class of substances, as spirituous liquors and narcotics, which produce material changes in the brain, attended by disturbance of the intellectual functions.

**ALTERATIVES** (*altero*, to change). Remedies which very gradually re-establish the healthy habit, functions, secretions, &c.

**ALTHÆA OFFICINALIS.** Common Marsh Mallow; a plant of the order *Malvaceæ*, abounding in mucilage. From the root are prepared an alkaloid called *althæa*, and a demulcent lozenge, employed on the continent under the name of *pâte de guimauve*.

**ALTHIONIC ACID.** An acid found in the residue of the preparation of olefiant gas by means of alcohol and sulphuric acid. The name is derived from the words *alcohol* and *ethionic*.

**ALUDEL.** A pear-shaped vessel used by the earlier chemists, resembling the head of an alembic, with the exception of the beak, &c. A series of these vessels, joined together, is used for distilling mercury in Spain.

**ALU'MEN.** *Sulphas Aluminæ et Potassæ*. Alum; a double, or sometimes a triple salt, consisting of sulphuric acid and alumina, with potass or ammonia, or

frequently both of them. The alumen of the Pharmacopœias is prepared from schistose clays; in Italy, this salt is procured from *alum stone*, a mineral substance occurring in most volcanic districts.

1. *Alumen rupeum*. Roche or rock alum. A variety of alum brought from Roccha, formerly called Edessa, in Syria. That which is sold under this name is common English alum, artificially coloured.

2. *Alumen Romanum*. Roman alum; the purest variety of alum, containing no ammonia in its composition.

3. *Ammoniacal alum* is a double salt, consisting of the sulphates of ammonia and of alumina.

4. *Iron alum*, *Manganese alum*, and *Chrome alum*, are salts of alumina, to which the generic term alum is applied, the species being distinguished by the name of the metallic peroxide which each contains.

5. *Alumen exsiccatum*, vel *ustum*. Dried alum; the pharmacopœial name of alum when it has undergone watery fusion, and parted with all its water of crystallization, by the action of heat.

6. *Alum curd of Riverius*. *Albumen aluminosum*. A coagulum formed by briskly agitating a drachm of alum with the white of an egg.

7. *Alum whey*. *Serum aluminosum*. A whey made by boiling two drachms of alum with a pint of milk, and then straining.

8. *Alum water*. A solution of alum in water, used by painters in water colours.

9. *Alum ointment*. Common turpentine, lard, and powdered alum.

10. *Boerhaave's astringent powder for the ague* consisted of alum and nutmeg, with the addition of Armenian bole.

**ALUMINA.** *Aluminous earth*. One of the primitive earths, which, from constituting the plastic principle of all clays, loams, and boles, was called *argil*, or *argillaceous earth*; but now, as being obtained in its greatest purity from alum, is called *alumina*, or the sesqui-oxide of aluminium. It occurs nearly in a pure state in the *sapphire* and the *ruby*.

1. *Aluminite*. The name by which mineralogists designate the hydrated subsulphate of alumina.

2. *Aluminium*. The metallic base of alumina. It is obtained from its chloride by the action of potassium.

3. *Petra aluminaris*. Sulphuretted clay; the purest of all aluminous ores, and as hard as indurated clay; hence its name, *alum rock*.



**ALVEARIUM** (*alveare*, a bee-hive). The meatus auditorius externus, or auditory canal of the ear.

**ALVEOLI** (dim. of *alvei*, channels). The alveolar processes, or the sockets of the teeth. Hence the term *alveolar*, as applied to the arteries and veins of the sockets of the teeth.

*Alveolar structure.* A term applied by Hewson to minute superficial cavities found in the mucous membrane of the stomach, œsophagus, and small intestine, and which he compared to the cells of honeycomb. They are distinct from the follicles.

**ALVEUS COMMUNIS.** The name given by Scarpa to the common duct or communication of the ampullæ of the semicircular canals of the ear.

**ALVUS** (ab alluendo, quâ sordes alluntur). The belly; the intestines; also the intestinal evacuation.

1. *Alviduca.* Medicines which promote evacuation of the contents of the intestines.

2. *Alvifluxus.* Diarrhœa; a flux or discharge of the contents of the intestines.

3. *Alvine Concretions.* Calculi formed in the stomach or intestines. See *Bezoar*.

4. *Alvus coacta.* Literally, hard-bound belly; the state of costiveness.—*Celsus*.

**ALYSMUS** (*άλυσμος*, restlessness, from *ἀλύω*, to be vexed). A term used by Hippocrates to denote anxiety, or restlessness chiefly affecting the præcordia, with lowness of spirits, &c.

**ALYSSUM** [(*a*, pro *ἀντί*, against, *λυσσα*, madness). So called from its being supposed to be a specific against hydrophobia. Madwort Plantain. See *Alisma Plantago*.]

**AMADOU.** Agaric; a spongy inflammable substance, prepared from the dried plant of the *Boletus Igniarius*, found on old ash and other trees. It is used for stopping hæmorrhages, &c.

**AMALGAM** (*ἄμα*, together, *γαμέω*, to marry). A mixture of mercury with some other metal. See *Alloy*.

*Amalgamation.* The process of mixing mercury with some other metal. It is extensively used in separating silver and gold from some other ores, and is founded on the property which mercury has to dissolve these metals out of the minerals with which they are associated.

**AMANITA MUSCARIA.** Fly Amanita; a plant of the order *Fungi*, containing a poisonous principle, which has been called *amanitine*.

**AMA'RA** (sc. *medicamenta*; from

*amarus*, bitter). Bitters; medicines with a bitter flavour, and tonic property, as camomile, gentian, &c.

**AMARYTHRIN.** *Erythrin bitter* of Heeren. A bitter extractive matter, obtained by dissolving erythrin in hot water, and exposing it some days to the action of air.

**AMATORII** (*amo*, to love). Pathetici, or the superior obliqui muscles of the eye; so named from the expression which they impart.

**AMAURO'SIS** (*ἀμαυρῶς*, obscure). *Caligo oculorum.* Blindness; drop serena; [gutta serena;] loss of sight from an affection of the retina, the optic nerve, or the brain. This term was employed by Hippocrates merely in the sense of obscurity or dimness; by later writers it was used as the name of the particular disease.

*Amaurotic cat's eye* (*amblyopia senilis* ?); a term applied by BEER to an amaurotic affection, accompanied by a remarkably pale colour of the iris. It occurs chiefly in very old persons.

**AMBE** (*ἄμβη*, the edge of a rock). An old machine for reducing dislocations of the shoulder.

**AMBER.** *Succinum.* A yellowish, translucent, and inflammable substance, which is found in beds of wood-coal, and appears to be the altered resin of trees; by Berzelius it was considered as a concremented balsam.

1. *Acid of Amber, or Succinic Acid,* is obtained from amber by dry distillation. It is a delicate reagent for separating red oxide of iron from compound metallic solutions.

2. *Amber Camphor.* A yellow, light sublimate, obtained by the destructive distillation of amber in a retort or alembic. By Vogel it was termed *volatile resin of amber*.

**AMBERGRIS** (*ambre-gris*, Fr.). A sebaceous substance found floating on the sea in warm climates, supposed to be a concretion formed in the intestinal canal of the *Physeter Macrocephalus*, or Spermaceti whale. The Japanese call it *whale's dung*.

**AMBLO'SIS** (*ἀμβλώω*, to cause abortion). Miscarriage. Hence the term *amblyotica*, as applied to medicines supposed to cause abortion.

**AMBLYAPHIA** (*ἀμβλύς*, dull, *ἄφῆ*, touch). Insensibility of touch or general feeling.

**AMBLYGONITE.** A rare mineral—a phosphate of alumina and lithia.

**AMBLYOPIA** (*ἀμβλύς*, dull, *ὄψ*, the



eye). Incomplete or incipient amaurosis; or weakness of sight.

AMBON (*ἀναβαίνω*, to ascend). The margin of the sockets in which the heads of the large bones are lodged.—*Celsus*.

AMBREIC ACID. A peculiar acid, obtained by digesting ambrein in nitric acid.

AMBREIN (*ambre*, Fr.). A substance analogous to cholesterine, forming the chief constituent of ambergris.

AMBULANCE (*ambulo*, to walk). A light caravan, furnished with surgeon's assistants and orderlies, for attending upon the wounded in the field of battle.

AMENORRHŒA (*a*, priv., *μήν*, a month, *ῥέω*, to flow). *Suppressio mensesium*. Obstruction, or morbid deficiency of the menses or catamenia.

AMENTIA (*amens*, senseless). Imbecility of intellect.

AMENTUM. A catkin; a form of inflorescence, in which the flowers of a spike are destitute of calyx and corolla, the place of which is taken by bracts, and the whole inflorescence falls off in a single piece, either after flowering or the ripening of the fruit, as in the hazel, the willow, &c.

AMER (*bitter*). The bitter principle produced by digesting nitric acid on silk.

AMETHYST (*a*, priv., *μεθύω*, to be intoxicated). A reddish violet-coloured gem; a variety of *Corundum*. Its name is derived from its reputed virtue of preventing intoxication; toppers were formerly in the habit of wearing it about their necks. It consists almost entirely of silica.

AMIANTHUS (*a*, priv., *μαίνω*, to pollute). *Mountain flax*. An incombustible mineral, consisting of very delicate and regular silky fibres. See *Asbestos*.

AMIDES. A series of saline compounds, in which the compound of nitrogen and hydrogen occurs, containing an atom less of hydrogen than ammonia. The name *amidogen* has been applied to their radical.

AMIDINE (*amidon*, starch). A substance intermediate between gum and starch, obtained by solution of the latter in water.

AMILENE. A liquid hydrocarbon, obtained by distilling hydrate of oxide of amylo repeatedly with anhydrous phosphoric acid.

AMMELIDE. A substance formed by boiling melamine in strong nitric acid, until the solution is complete.

AMMELINE. A substance generated by boiling melam in a solution of potassa;

on adding acetic acid, the ammeline is thrown down as a white precipitate.

AMMI. The warm carminative fruit of several species of *Sison*: Order *Umbelliferæ*.

AMMONIA. *Ammoniacal Gas*. A transparent, colourless, pungent gas, formed by the union of nitrogen and hydrogen. By Priestley it was called *alkaline air*; it is frequently termed the *volatile alkali*, to distinguish it from the *fixed* alkalies, soda and potash. Its present name is derived from *sal ammoniac*, of which it constitutes the basis, and which received its title from being first prepared in the district of Ammonia in Libya.

1. *Liquor Ammoniacæ*. Liquid ammonia; the incorrect name of the concentrated solution of ammonia. One volume of water takes up about 750 times its bulk of the gas, forming a liquid possessed of similar properties, and termed *spirits of hartshorn*, from its being raised by distillation from that substance.

2. *Ammoniaco*—A term prefixed to salts, in which ammonia has been added in sufficient quantity to combine with both the acid and the base.

3. *Ammoniuret*. A compound, containing ammonia and a salifiable base, or other substance not acid.

4. *Ammoniacal Amalgam*. A substance formed by the action of galvanism on a salt of ammonia, in contact with a globule of mercury.

5. *Ammonium*. A term applied to a hypothetical compound of nitrogen and hydrogen. Berzelius considered it to be the metallic base of ammonia.

AMMONIACUM. Ammoniac, a gum-resin, which exudes from the surface of the *Dorema ammoniacum*, a plant of the order *Umbelliferæ*. Two varieties occur in the market:—

1. *Guttæ Ammoniaci*, occurring in tears, which should be white, clear, and dry; and

2. *Lapis Ammoniaci*, occurring in lumps, very impure, and generally adulterated with common resin.

*African Ammoniacum*. A gum-resin, obtained from the *Ferula tingitana*. It resembles the Persian Ammoniacum of the shops in external appearance, but it differs in its odour when heated.

AMMONION (*ἄμμος*, sand). A collyrium, said to remove sand or gravel from the eyes.—*Actius*.

AMMONITE. A fossil molluscous animal, allied to the genus *Nautilus*. From its resemblance to the horns of the statues of *Jupiter Ammon*, it is named



*cornu ammonis*: from its coiled form, it is popularly called *snake-stone*. The term is frequently applied, in anatomy, to the *pes hippocampi* of the brain.

**AMNE'SIA** (*a*, priv., and *μνήσις*, memory). Forgetfulness; loss of memory.

**AMNION** (*ἀμνός*, a lamb). The internal membrane of the ovum, or that which immediately surrounds the *fœtus in utero*.

1. *Amnii liquor*. The fluid contained in the amnion.

2. *Amniotic Acid*. A weak acid discovered in the *liquor amnii* of the cow.

**AMOMUM 'GRANA PARADISI**. Grains of Paradise Amomum; a plant of the order *Scitamineæ*, the fruit of which is well known under the name of *Grains of Paradise*, or *Mellegetta Pepper*.

**AMORPHOUS** (*a*, priv., *μορφή*, form). Shapeless; irregular. A term applied to mineral and other substances, which occur in forms not easy to be defined; also to certain sediments found in the urine, in disease. See *Calculus*.

**AMPELIC ACID**. An acid obtained by Laurent from the oils of bituminous schist. The term *ampelin* has been also applied to an oily matter prepared from the same substance.

**AMPHI-** (*ἀμφί*). A Greek preposition, signifying *about*, *on both sides*, &c.

1. *Amph-emerina* (*ἡμέρα*, a day). Another term for quotidian ague.

2. *Amph-arthritis* (*ἄρθρωσις*, articulation). A mixed kind of articulation, with obscure motion, partaking of both *diarthritis* and *synarthritis*; it is also called *continuous diarthrosis*. See *Articulation*.

3. *Amphi-bia* (*βίος*, life). The second class of the *Encephalata* or *Vertebrata*, comprising amphibious animals, which commence their larva state as fishes, and undergo various degrees of metamorphosis in advancing towards the condition of reptiles.

4. *Amphi-bole* (*βῶλος*, a mass). The name given by Haüy to the mineral hornblende; a silicate of lime and magnesia.

5. *Amphi-gen* (*γεννάω*, to produce). A name of the mineral leucite, or Vesuvian; a variety of clay, or silicate of alumina.

6. *Amphi-tropal* (*τρέπω*, to turn). That which is curved round the body to which it belongs; a term applied to the embryo of the seed.

7. *Amphi-tropous*. This term is applied to the ovule of plants, where the foraminal and chalazal ends are transverse with respect to the hilum.

**AMPHORA** (*ἀμφί*, on each side, *φέρω*,

to carry; so named from its being carried by two handles). *Quadrantal*; *cadus*. A measure of capacity, frequently mentioned by Roman authors, containing 2 *urnæ*, 3 *modii*, 8 *congi*, 48 *sextarii*, and 96 *heminae* or *cotylæ*. But the Attic amphora, called by the Greeks *metrēta* or *ceramium*, contained 2 *urnæ*, and 72 *sextarii*. The amphora was nearly equal to 9 gallons English, and the *sextarius* to one pint and a half English, or one mutchkin and a half Scotch.

**AMPHORIC RESONANCE** (*amphora*, a vessel). A sound of the chest like that heard on blowing into a decanter. See *Auscultation*.

**AMPLEXICAUL** (*amplector*, to embrace, *caulis*, a stem). A term applied, in botany, to the stalks of leaves which are dilated and embrace, or form a sheath to, the stem. Some leaf-stalks perform this office partially, and are called *semi-amplexicaul*, or half-stem-sheathing.

**AMPULLA**. A big-bellied jug or hottle, used by the Romans for containing wine. Hence the term is applied to a *chemical vessel* having the same form as a cucurbit. The term is used in medicine as synonymous with *bulla*; hence *pemphigus* is called, by some of the continental writers, *febris ampullosa*, or *bullosa*.

**AMPULLULA** (dim. of *ampulla*, a bottle). A term applied by Lieberkuhn to the extremity of each villus of the mucous coat of the intestines; it is an oval vesicle, having its apex perforated by lacteal orifices, through which the chyle is taken up.

**AMPUTATION** (*amputo*, to cut off). The removal of a limb, or other part of the body, by means of the knife.

**AMULET**. A supposed charm against infection or disease; such are *anodyne necklaces*, used in teething of infants.

**AMYELOUS** (*a*, priv., *μελός*, medulla). A term applied to the *fœtus*, in cases in which there is complete absence of the spinal marrow. When the encephalon also is absent, the *fœtus* is termed *amyencephalous*. There may be absence of the encephalon—of the cerebrum and cerebellum only; in this case the *fœtus* is called *anencephalous*. Or, the cerebrum merely may be in a state of defective development, or *atrophy*, more or less partial or extensive.

**AMYGDALÆ**. Literally, *almonds*. [q. v.]

**AMYGDALÆ AMARÆ, DULCES**. Bitter and sweet almonds; the fruit of two varieties of the *Amygdalus Commu-*





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**ANÆMOTROPHY** (*a*, priv., *αἷμα*, blood, *τροφή*, nourishment). By this term, and *hæmotrophy*, are implied simply a deficiency, and an excess, of sanguineous nourishment. *Atrophy* and *hypertrophy*, as commonly understood, include the idea of diminished and increased magnitude; while *anæmia* and *hyperæmia* have reference only to the quantity of blood present, without regard to its nutritive properties.—*Prout*.

**ANÆSTHESIA** (*a*, priv., *αἴσθησις*, perception). Loss of the sense of touch.

[**ANAGALLIS ARVENSIS**. Scarlet Pimpernel. A plant of the order *Primulaceæ*, much esteemed by the ancients as a counter-poison, and in more modern times as a preventive of hydrophobia.]

[**ANAMNESTIC** (*αναμνησις*, remembrance). A medicine for strengthening the memory.]

**ANAPHRODISIA** (*a*, priv., *Ἀφροδίτη*, Venus). Impotence; incapability of sexual intercourse, from organic, functional, or moral cause; one of the *dysorexiæ* of Cullen.

**ANATOMY** (*ἀνατέμνω*, to cut up). The science of organization; the science whose object is the examination of the organs or *instruments* of life. Animal anatomy is divided into *human anatomy* and *comparative anatomy*, according as it treats of the organization of the human body, or of that of other animals. Human anatomy may be distinguished into the following branches:—

1. *Descriptive Anatomy* treats of the numerous organs of which the human body consists, with reference to their shape and mutual relations. This branch is subdivided into the *particular anatomy of organs*, and the *anatomy of regions*, or *surgical anatomy*.

2. *General Anatomy* treats of the structure and properties of the different tissues which are common to several organs. To this branch belongs the examination of the general characters of all the organs and humours.

3. *Special Anatomy* is that which treats of the healthy state of the organs, while *morbid* or *pathological anatomy* is that which treats of diseased states, or alterations of structure.

4. *Transcendental Anatomy* is that which investigates the mode, plan, or model upon which the animal frame or organs are formed.

**ANAUDA** (*a*, priv., *αὐδή* speech). Dumbness; privation of voice; cataleptia.—*Hippocrates*.

**ANCHILOPS** (*ἄγχι*, near, *ὤψ*, the

eye). A sore under the inner angle of the eye. Incipient fistula lacrymalis. According to Blanchard, the swelling is called *anchilops*, while yet entire; and *ægilops*, when the abscess has burst.

**ANCHUSA TINCTORIA**. Dyers' Alkanet; a plant of the order *Boraginaceæ*, the root of which abounds in the red colouring matter called *alkanet*, used by dyers, and for imparting a deep red to oils, ointments, and plasters.

**ANCON** (*ἀγκών*). The elbow. Hence, 1. *Anconéus*. A muscle which assists in extending the fore-arm.

2. *Anconoïd* (*εἶδος*, likeness). Elbow-like; applied to a process of the cubit.

**ANCYROIDES** (*ἄγκυρα*, an anchor, *εἶδος*, likeness). A former designation of the coracoid process of the scapula, from its likeness to the beak of an anchor.

**ANDROCEUM** (*ἀνὴρ*, a man). A term applied to the male apparatus in plants, commonly called the *stamens*—the *apices* of old botanists.

**ANDROGYNUS** (*ἀνὴρ*, a man, *γυνή*, a woman). A hermaphrodite; a *lusus naturæ*, in which the organs of generation appear to be a mixture of both sexes.

[**ANDROMEDA ARBOREA**. Sorrel Tree. The leaves of this tree have a pleasant acid taste, and a decoction of them forms a pleasant drink in fevers.]

[**ANEMONE PRATENSIS**. Meadow Anemony. A plant of the order *Ranunculaceæ*, believed by Störck to be useful in diseases of the eyes, in secondary syphilis and in cutaneous eruptions: There are several closely allied species, which possess the same medical properties.]

**ANDRUM**. A species of hydrocele, peculiar to the south of Asia, and described by Kæmpfer.

**ANEMOMETER** (*ἄνεμος*, wind, *μέτρον*, measure). An instrument for measuring the strength or velocity of the wind.

**ANENCEPHALIA** (*a*, priv., *ἐγκέφαλος*, the brain.) The state of an anencephalus; the absence of a greater or less part of the cerebral portion of the head. Geoffrey St. Hilaire justly distinguishes—

1. *Real Anencephalia*, or entire absence of the brain, which might be denominated *hol-anencephalia* (*ὅλος*, entire), or *pan-anencephalia* (*πᾶς*, παντός, all).

2. *Cyst-anencephalia* (*κύστις*, a bladder), or the vesicular brain, in which, instead of a brain, a bladder is found filled with fluid.

3. *Der-anencephalia* (*δέρη*, the neck), in which only a small portion of the brain exists, resting on the cervical vertebræ.



4. *Pod-anencephalia* (ποῦς, ποδός, a foot or stalk), in which a brain indeed exists, but it is situated outside the cranium, attached as it were to a stalk.

5. *Not-anencephalia* (νωτός, the back), in which the brain is not within the skull, but (at least in great part) is thrust through a fissure of the back part of the head, and so produces, like a spina bifida, *not-encephalocèle*.

**ANENCEPHALUS** (α, priv., ἐγκέφαλος, the brain). A monster without brains.

**AN'ESIS** (ἀνίημι, to remit). A remission, or relaxation of a disease, or symptom.

**ANETHUM GRAVEOLENS.** Common or Garden Dill; a plant of the order *Umbelliferae*, much valued for the carminative properties of its fruit.

**ANEURYSM** (ἀνευρύνω, to dilate). The dilatation of a vessel or vessels.

1. The old distinction was between *true* and *false aneurysm*: the former comprehends dilatation without rupture of any of the arterial coats; the latter, dilatation with rupture of some of the coats.

2. *False Aneurysm* admits of some distinctions. When the extravasation is diffused, the disease has been termed a *diffused false aneurysm*; when circumscribed, a *circumscribed false aneurysm*. The French writers term the former *anévrisme faux primitif*, the latter *anévrisme faux consécutif*.

3. *Active Aneurysm of the Heart*. The increased muscular structure of the left ventricle of the heart, which frequently accompanies the cartilaginous thickening of the semilunar valves of the aorta.

4. *Aneurysm by Anastomosis*. A tumor consisting of a congeries of small and active arteries, absorbing veins, and intermediate cells. The cellular substance through which these vessels are expanded, resembles the gills of a turkey-cock; or the substance of the placenta, spleen, or uterus; or the *nævi materni* of infants.

5. *Aneurysmal Varix*. A particular kind of aneurysm, in which the blood effused from a wounded artery passes into a neighbouring vein, which it dilates in the form of a sac. It is produced when a cutting instrument pierces a vein and a subjacent artery at the same time, forming a direct communication between the two vessels.

[6. *Dissecting Aneurism*. A form of aneurism resulting from a rupture of the internal coat, and the partial laceration of the middle coat, of the artery, in consequence of which blood passes between

the laminæ of the middle tunic, separating its internal from its external layer.]

**ANFRACTUS** (ἀμφι, about, φασσῶ, to environ). A winding, or turning. The term denotes the anfractuosités, furrows, or depressions by which the convolutions of the brain are separated.

[**ANGEIAL** (ἀγγεῖον, a vessel). Vascular. Angeial tissue or angeial cystous tissue. The serous membrane which lines the blood-vessels and lymphatics is so termed by M. Blainville.]

**ANGEIOSPERMIA** (ἀγγεῖον, a vessel, σπέρμα, seed). The name of plants which have their seeds enclosed in a vessel, or pericarp. Compare *Gymnospermia*.

**ANGELICA ARCHANGELICA.** Garden Angelica; a plant of the order *Umbelliferae*, the root of which is occasionally used in pectoral disorders.

[There is an American species, the *A. atropurpurea*, which is supposed to have similar medical properties.]

*Candied Angelica* is made from the fresh stalks of this plant, boiled in syrup; an agreeable sweetmeat, said to be aphrodisiac.

**ANGINA PECTORIS** (ango, to choke, from ἄγχω, the same). Breast-pang; spasm of the chest. This disease, which is attended by acute pain, sense of suffocation, and syncope, has been thus variously designated at different periods, by different writers:—

|                                                  |          |      |
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| Cardiogmus cordis sinistri                       | Sauvages | 1763 |
| Angina Pectoris . . . . .                        | Heberden | 1768 |
| Die Brustbräune . . . . .                        | Elsner   | 1780 |
| Diaphragmatic gout . . . . .                     | Butter   | 1791 |
| Asthma arthriticum . . . . .                     | Schmidt  | 1795 |
| Syncope angens . . . . .                         | Parry    | 1799 |
| Asthma dolorificum . . . . .                     | Darwin   | 1801 |
| Sternodynia syncopalis . . . . .                 | Sluis    | 1802 |
| Asthma spastico-arthriticum inconstans . . . . . | Stoeller | 1803 |
| Suspirium cardiacum . . . . .                    | Stephen  | 1804 |
| Sternalgia . . . . .                             | Baumes   | 1806 |
| Stenocardia . . . . .                            | Brera    | 1810 |
| Pnigophobia . . . . .                            | Swediaur | 1812 |
| Angor Pectoris . . . . .                         | Frank    | 1818 |

The following varieties of Angina are distinguished in practical medicine:—

1. *A. tonsillaris*. Sore throat.  
 2. *A. maligna*. Malignant sore throat.  
 3. *A. trachealis*. Tracheitis; Croup, or inflammation of the Trachea.

4. *A. parotidea*. The Mumps: a specific inflammation of the parotid and sub-maxillary glands.

**ANGIOLOGY** (ἀγγεῖον, a vessel, λόγος, a discourse). The science of the vascular system.

**ANGLICUS SUDOR.** The English



sweating-fever, or the *ephemera maligna* of Burserius, described by Dr. Caius as "a contagious pestilential fever of one day." It made its first appearance in London in 1480, or 1483.

ANGONE (*ἄγχω*, to strangle). A sense of strangulation and suffocation.

ANGOSTURA BARK. This bark is referred by Humboldt to the *Galipea Cusparia*; by Dr. Hancock to the *G. Officinalis*.

1. *Angosturin*. A neutral principle, obtained by submitting the alcoholic tincture of angostura bark to spontaneous evaporation.

2. *False Angostura*. The bark of the *Strychnos nux vomica*, formerly assigned to the *Brucea antidysenterica*.

ANGULAR (*angulus*, an angle). The name of the *facial* vein, when it has arrived at the side of the nose, near the eye.

ANGULARIS SCAPULÆ. Another name for the *levator anguli scapulæ*.

[ANHÆMIA. See *Anæmia*.]

ANHELATION (*anhele*, to pant). *Dyspnœa*. Difficulty of breathing.

ANHYDRITE (*a*, priv., *ὑδωρ*, water). Anhydrous sulphate of lime; a mineral.

ANHYDROUS (*a*, priv., *ὑδωρ*, water). Without water; a term applied to crystals and gases which are deprived of water. Compare *Hydrates*.

ANIL. *Nil*. A plant growing in America, from the leaves of which indigo is prepared.

1. *Anilic Acid*. A name given by Dumas to the acid formed by the action of nitric acid upon indigo. It was formerly termed *indigotic acid*.

2. *Aniline*. An oily liquid, which distils over when finely-pulverized indigo is decomposed by a highly-concentrated solution of caustic potash or soda, in a retort.

ANIMA (the soul). The name given by Stahl to the intelligent agent supposed to preside over many parts of the animal economy. This is the *Archæus* of Van Helmont, and has been termed the vital principle, the spirit of animation, &c.

ANIMA ARTICULORUM. Literally, life of the limbs; a name given to Hermodactyllus, or Colchicum, from its great popularity. It formed the basis of the *dia articulorum*, the *pulvis arthriticus Tur-nori*, and the Vienna gout decoction.

ANIMALCULES (dim. of *animal*). Microscopic animals. They doubtless exist in the atmosphere, and in all rivers or ponds; they are, besides—

1. *Infusory*. Observed in all fluids im-

pregnated with any animal or vegetable substance.

2. *Spermatic*. Supposed to have been discovered in the semen. See *Spermatozoa*.

ANIMALIZATION. The process by which food is assimilated, or converted into animal matter.

ANIME'. A resinous substance, improperly called *gum animé*, said to be obtained from the *Hymeneu Courbaril*, and used in perfumes, varnishes, and certain plasters. It resembles copal in appearance and is often sold under that name.

ANION (*ἀνιόν*, that which goes up). A term applied by Dr. Faraday to the body which passes to the positive pole—to the *anode* of the decomposing body—as it is separated by electricity. See *Kation*.

ANISETTE DE BOURDEAUX. A liqueur made by distilling anise, fennel, and coriander seeds, previously steeped in brandy, with sugar, and one-half water.

ANISI SEMINA. Aniseed; the fruit of the *Pimpinella Anisum*, a plant of the order *Umbelliferae*.

ANKER. A liquid measure used at Amsterdam, containing about 32 gallons English wine measure.

ANKYLOBLEPHARON, (*ἀγκύλος*, bent, *βλέφαρον*, the eyelid). A preternatural union of the two lids.

[ANKYLOGLOSSUM (*ἀγκύλος*, bent, *γλῶσσα*, the tongue). Abnormal connexion of the tongue and mouth restricting the motions of that organ, and arising either from shortness of the *frænum*, or from the presence of an adventitious membrane extending from this part to the tip of the tongue (*Tongue-tie*); or from adhesions between the mucous membrane of the tongue and that lining the cavity of the mouth.]

ANKYLOSIS (*ἀγκύλωσις*, from *ἀγκύλος*, curved). A stiff joint from bony union. It admits of the following varieties:—

1. *True Ankylosis*. An affection of the synovial membrane, in which the two surfaces of the joints adhere together, the synovial membrane disappears, or is changed into cellular tissue, and the bones become firmly united.

2. *False Ankylosis*. An affection in which all the parts composing the joint are thickened, the motion is limited, and a kind of amphiarthrosis produced.—*Bé-clard*.

ANNEALING, or NEALING. The process of heating a metallic body, and suffering it to cool again in a moderate temperature. If cooled too suddenly, it becomes extremely brittle.



The *Annealing of Glass* is conducted in the same manner, and is necessary to prevent its flying to pieces on the application of violence or a high temperature. See *Rupert's Drops*.

**ANNOTTO.** *Rocou.* A substance procured from the pellicles of the seeds of the *Bixa Orellana*, a Liliaceous plant, and used for colouring cheese, for dyeing, and other purposes.

[**ANNULATE** (*annulus*, a ring), ringed; surrounded by rings.]

**ANNULIDA** (*annulus*, a ring). The fifth class of the *Diplo-neura* or *Helminthoida*, consisting of long, cylindrical, mostly aquatic worms, with red blood, covered with a soft and more or less segmented and annulated skin.

**AN'NULUS** (Latin). A ring; a circle, or rounded margin.

1. *Annulus ciliaris.* The ciliary circle or ligament; a white ring, forming the bond of union betwixt the choroid coat, the iris, and the corona ciliaris. It is the *annulus gangliformis tunicæ choroidæ* of *Soemmering*.

2. *Annulus ovalis.* The rounded margin of the septum, which occupies the place of the foramen ovale in the fœtus. It is also called the *annulus foraminis*.

**ANODE** (*ἀνά*, upwards, *ὁδός*, a way). A term applied by Dr. Faraday to that part of the surface of a decomposing body which the electric current enters—the part immediately touching the positive pole. See *Kathode*.

**ANODYNES** (*a*, priv., *ἄδύνη*, pain). Remedies against pain.

*Anodyne Necklaces.* Necklaces made of the roots of *Hyoscyamus*, imagined to facilitate teething in infants.

**ANOMALOUS** (*a*, priv., *ἄμαλός*, even). Irregular; a term applied to diseases, in which the symptoms are irregular.

[**ANOMOCEPHALUS** (*a*, priv., *νόμος*, rule, *κεφαλή*, head). A fœtus with a deformed head.]

[**ANOMPHALOS** (*a*, priv., *ομφαλός*, umbilicus). Without a navel.]

**ANONYMUS** (*a*, priv., *ἄνομα*, a name). Literally, *nameless*; a term formerly applied to the cricoid muscle.

[**ANORCHIS** or **ANORCHIDES** (*a*, priv., *ορχίς*, testicle). Without testicles.]

**ANOREXIA** (*a*, priv., *ἄρεξις*, appetite). Want of appetite; absence of appetite, unaccompanied by loathing.

**ANORMAL** (*anormis*, without rule). Irregular; contrary to the usual state. See *Abnormal*.

**ANOSMIA** (*a*, priv., *ὄσμη*, odour). Loss of smell; it is *organic*, arising from dis-

ease of the Schneiderian membrane, or *atonic*, occurring without manifest cause.

**ANTERIOR** (Latin). Before; as applied to muscles and nerves.

**ANTEVERSIO UTERI** (*ante*, before, *verto* to turn). A morbid inclination of the fundus uteri forward. Compare *Retroversio*.

**ANTHEMIS** (*ἀνθέω*, to blossom). A genus of plants of the order *Compositæ*. Chamomile flowers are the produce of the *A. nobilis*; Spanish Chamomile, or Pellitory of Spain, is the produce of the *A. pyrethrum*.

**ANTHER** (*ἀνθηρός*, from *ἀνθέω*, to flourish). The part of a plant which has hitherto been considered as the male sexual organ. It is the essential part of the stamen, consisting, in most cases, of two thecæ placed at the top of the filament, and hence called the *bilocular anther*. The thecæ contain a powdery matter called *pollen grains*, and these enclose a semi-fluid substance termed *fovilla*, composed in great part of minute granulations, the nature of whose motions is not understood. The anther is termed,

1. *Innate*, when it is attached to the filament by its base, as in *sparganium*.

2. *Adnate*, when it is attached to the filament by its back, as in *polygonum*.

3. *Versatile*, when it is attached to the filament by a single point of the connective, from which it lightly swings, as in *grasses*.

4. *Antica* or *introrsa*, when the line of its dehiscence is towards the pistil.

5. *Postica* or *extrorsa*, when the line of its dehiscence is towards the petals.

**ANTHIARIN.** The active principle of a gum resin, obtained from the *Anthiaris toxicaria*, the most deadly of the *Upas* poisons, employed by the inhabitants of the East Indian Archipelago to poison their arrows.

**ANTHRACITE** (*ἄνθραξ*, a burning coal). *Stone coal*, a species of coal which contains no bituminous substances, and does not yield inflammable gases by distillation. It consists, in some specimens, of 95 per cent. of carbon.

**ANTHRACOKALI.** The name given by Dr. Polya to a remedy in certain herpetic affections. The *simple* preparation consists of a levigated coal dust and pure potassa; the *sulphurated*, of sulphur, levigated coal dust, and caustic potassa.

[**ANTHRACOSIS** (*ανθραξ*, a coal). A species of anthrax which attacks the eyelids.]

**ANTHRANTIC ACID.** An acid obtained by the action of fused potash on indigo.



**ANTHRAX** (ἀνθραξ, a burning coal). Carbuncle. [q. v.] A name also given by Vitruvius to the factitious cinnabar, or bisulphuret of mercury.

[**ANTHRISCUS CEREFOLIUM**. Chervil. An annual European plant, cultivated as a pot-herb, and a decoction of which has been employed as a deobstruent, diuretic, vulnerary, &c.]

[**ANTHROPOLOGY** (ἄνθρωπος, man, λόγος, discourse). A treatise on man or the science of human nature.]

[**ANTHROPOMORPHOUS** (ἄνθρωπος, man, μορφή, form). Having the human form.]

[**ANTHROPOTOMY** (ἄνθρωπος, man, τέμνω, to cut). Dissection of the human body.]

**ANTI-** (ἀντί). Against. A Greek preposition, signifying *opposition*.

I. *Counter-Agents, or Remedies.*

1. *Ant-acids*. Remedies against acidity; synonymous with alkalines.

2. *Ant-alkalines*. Remedies against alkalescence, as applied to the urine.

3. *Ant-algica* (ἄλγος, pain). Remedies which remove or relieve pain.

4. *Ant-aphrodisiacs* (Ἄφροδίτη, Venus). Medicines which allay the venereal appetite.

5. *Ant-arthritics* (ἄρθριτις, gout). Remedies against gout.

6. *Anti-dotes* (δίδωμι, to give). *Alexipharmica*; counter-poisons

7. *Anti-hæmorrhagic Extract*. The name given by M. Bonjean to a styptic extract, obtained from ergot of rye.

8. *Ant-helminthics* (ἔλμινς, a worm). Remedies against worms.

[9. *Anti-hypnotics* (υπνος, sleep). Remedies against drowsiness or sleep.]

10. *Anti-lithics* (λίθος, a stone). Remedies against stone.

11. *Anti-lyssic* (λυσσα, madness). The celebrated *Ormskirk* medicine.

12. *Anti-pathic* (πάθος, a disease). A term applied to the method of employing medicines which produce effects of an opposite nature to the symptoms of the disease, and the maxim adopted is "*contraria contrariis opponenda*."

13. *Anti-phlogistics* (φλέγω, to burn). Remedies against inflammation.

14. *Anti-scorbutics*. Remedies against scorbutus, or scurvy.

15. *Anti-septics* (σῆπω, to putrefy). Remedies against putrefaction.

16. *Anti-spasmodics* (σπάω, to draw). Remedies against spasm.

17. *Anti-spasis* (σπάω, to draw). Revulsion, or derivation; the effect produced by the application of a blister.

18. *Ant-odontalgics* (ὀδονταλγία, tooth-ache). Remedies against tooth-ache.

II. *Opposed in Situation.*

19. *Anti-cardium* (καρδία, the heart). The scrobiculus cordis, or pit of the stomach.

20. *Anti-cheir* (χεῖρ, the hand). The thumb; opposed to the hand.

21. *Anti-cnemion* (κνήμη, the calf of the leg). The shin-bone, as opposed to the calf.

22. *Anti-helix* (εἰλέω, to turn about). An elevation parallel to, and in front of, the helix.

23. *Ant-inial* (ινίον, the occiput). A term applied by Barclay to an aspect towards the part of the head opposite to the inion.

24. *Anti-lobium*. The tragus; the process projecting over the opening of the ear from the face.

25. *Anti-thenar* (θέναρ, the palm of the hand). A muscle which extends the thumb, or opposes it to the hand.

26. *Anti-tragus* (τράγος, a goat). A prominence of the ear opposite to the tragus.

27. *Anti-tragicus*. The muscle arising from the anti-tragus.

28. *Anti-tropal* (τρέπω, to turn). Straight, and having a direction contrary to that of the body to which it belongs; a term applied to the embryo of the seed.

III. *Opposed in Action or Feeling.*

29. *Ant-agonist* (ἀγών, a struggle). A muscle which acts in opposition to another, and counteracts its action, as the adductors to the abductors.

30. *Anti-pathy* (πάθος, affection). Aversion; a feeling of opposition.

31. *Anti-peristaltic* (περιστέλλω, to contract). A motion contrary to the peristaltic motion of the intestines.

**ANTIADITIS** (ἀντιάδες, the tonsils, and the termination *itis*). Inflammation of the tonsils. This is a classical term, whereas *tonsillitis* is barbarous.

**ANTIMONIUM**. *Stibium*. Antimony; a brittle whitish metal, usually found associated with sulphur. In type foundries it is much used, to give hardness to lead, in the alloy called *type metal*. The etymology of the term has been fancifully derived from its fatal effects upon some monks (*anti-moine*), upon whom its properties were tried by Valentine.

1. *Crude Antimony*. The name given to the ore of antimony, or *stibium*, which was long regarded as the metal itself, the pure metal being termed *regulus of antimony*.

2. *Argentine Flowers of Antimony*.



The sesqui-oxide of antimony; the result of the simple combustion of the metal. During this process a white vapour rises, which condenses on cool surfaces, frequently in the form of small shining needles of silvery whiteness; hence the name.

3. *Powder of Algaroth.* See *Algaroth.*

4. *Glass, Liver, and Crocus of Antimony.* These pharmaceutical preparations are oxy-sulphurets of the metal, and are similar in their nature to the *red antimony ore* of mineralogists; they are prepared by roasting and then vitrefying the ore. The oxide of antimony is dissolved out from the glass by acids, and a substance is left which is called *saffron of antimony.*

5. *Kermes Mineral.* An orange-red substance, deposited when sulphuret of antimony is boiled in a solution of potassa or soda, and so called from its colour, and from its resemblance to the insect of that name. On subsequently neutralizing the cold solution with an acid, an additional quantity of similar substance, the *golden sulphuret* of the Pharmacopœia, subsides.

6. *Butter of Antimony.* The sesquichloride of antimony; the result of distillation of the metal with chloride of mercury. At common temperatures it is a soft solid, of the consistence of butter, which is melted by a gentle heat, and crystallizes on cooling.

7. *Antimonious Acid.* An acid obtained by oxidating metallic antimony by nitric acid, or by roasting the sulphuret of antimony. Its salts are called *antimonites.*

8. *Antimonic Acid.* An acid, sometimes called *peroxide* of antimony, prepared by oxidation of oxide of antimony, by nitric acid. Its salts are called *antimoniates.*

9. *Antimonial Powder.* This pharmacopœial preparation is an oxide of antimony combined with phosphate of lime. It is used as a substitute for *James's Powder.*

10. *Tartar Emetic.* This preparation, the *antimonium tartarizatum* of the Pharmacopœia, consists of the tartrates of antimony and of potash, and is formed by digesting the oxide of antimony with cream of tartar.

11. *Antimonial Wine.* Vinum antimoni. A solution of tartar emetic in sherry wine; two grains of the tartrate being contained in every fluid ounce of the preparation.

12. *Bolus ad Quartanus.* A compound

of tartarized antimony and bark, employed by the French physicians.

[ANTIRRHENUM LINARIA. A plant of the order *Scrophularineæ.* It once was in repute as a purgative and diuretic. Its expressed juice is a useful application to hæmorrhoidal tumours; and an ointment made from the flowers is used for the same purpose and in diseases of the skin.]

ANTONII SANCTI IGNIS. St. Anthony's fire; so called because St. Anthony was supposed to cure it miraculously. See *Erysipelas.*

ANTRUM HIGHMORIANUM, or MAXILLARE (*antrum*, a cave). The maxillary sinus; a cavity above the molar teeth of the upper jaw.

ANTYLION (*Antyllus*, its inventor). An astringent application, recommended by Paulus Ægineta.

ANUS. The termination or verge of the rectum, serving as an outlet for the fæces.

1. *Artificial Anus.* An opening in the parietes of the abdomen, and of some part of the intestinal tube, subjacent and adherent.

2. *Imperforate Anus.* Congenital closure or obliteration of the anus.

3. *Ani prolapsus.* Exania, or archoptosis. Protrusion of the rectum, or of its internal membrane.

ANUS; or, *Foramen commune posterius*; the interior aperture of the aqueduct of *Sylvius.*

AORTA (*ἀορ*, air, *τηρέω*, to keep; as having been formerly supposed to contain only air). The great artery of the heart. It is distinguished into the *ascending* and *descending.* Hippocrates applies this term to the larger bronchi.

*Aortitis.* Inflammation of the Aorta.

APATHY (*a*, priv., *πάθος*, affection). Indifference, insensibility.

APATITE. A phosphate of lime.

APEPSIA (*a*, priv., *πέπτω*, to concoct). Indigestion. *Dyspepsia* is now used.

APERIENTS (*aperio*, to open). Mild purgatives.

APELATOUS (*a*, priv., *πέταλον*, a petal). Plants which have no petals, or flower-leaves. See *Petal.*

APEX (Latin). The extremity of a part, as of the tongue. Plural, *apices.*

APHLOGISTIC LAMP (*a*, priv., *φλέγω*, to burn). A lamp which burns without flame.

APHONIA, (*a*, priv., *φωνή*, voice). *Mutitas*; *defectus loquelæ.* Dumbness; loss of speech or voice, without syncope or coma.



**APHORIA** (*a*, priv., φέρω, to bear). Barrenness; sterility; inability to conceive offspring.

**APHORISM** (ἀφορίζω, to limit). A maxim, principally as applied to a book of Hippocrates.

**APHRODISIACS** (Ἀφροδίτη, Venus). Medicines which excite the venereal appetite. Remedies against impotence.

**APHTHA** (ἄπτω, to inflame). *Ulcuscula oris*. Thrush; numerous minute vesicles, terminating in white sloughs. It occurs in the fauces and in the pudenda. In the former case it has been distinguished into—

1. *A. lactantium*. Infantile, or white.
2. *A. adultorum*. Of adults, or black.
3. *A. anginosa*. Of the throat.

**APHYLLOUS** (*a*, priv., φύλλον, a leaf). Leafless; as applied to certain plants.

**APIS MELLIFICA** (*mel*, honey, *facio*, to make). The honey bee.

**APIUM GRAVEOLENS**. Celery; a plant of the order *Umbelliferae*. When wild, growing in wet meadows and ditches, it is acrid and poisonous; when cultivated in dry ground, and partially blanched, it is used as salad.

[**APLASTIC** (*a*, priv., πλασσω, to form). Incapable of forming. Gerber so denominates those elements, which are unsusceptible of any farther organization.]

[**APNŒA, APNEUSTIA** (*a*, priv., πνέω, to respire). Absence of respiration.]

**APO-** (ἀπό). From, off. A Greek preposition, denoting *separation*.

1. *Ap-arthritis* (ἄρθρον, a joint). Articulation; connexion of the joints.

2. *Aph-æresis* (ἀφαιρέω, to remove). Formerly, that branch of surgery which consists in removing any diseased or preternatural portion of the body.

3. *Aph-elxia* (ἀφέλω, to abstract). Revery; inactivity of the attention to the impressions of surrounding objects during wakefulness.

4. *Apo-carpæ* (καρπός, fruit). Plants which have distinct carpels, as distinguished from the *syncarpæ*, in which the carpels cohere.

[*Apo-cenoses* (κενωσις, evacuation). Superabundant flux of blood or other fluid without pyrexia.—Cullen.]

5. *Apo-neurosis* (νεῦρον, a nerve). A fibrous or tendinous expansion, erroneously supposed by the ancients to be that of nerve; in the thigh it is termed the *fascia lata*.

6. *Apo-phlegmatic medicines*. Medicines which promote the secretion of *phlegm* or mucus, as squill, &c.

7. *Apo-physis* (φύω, to produce). A process of a bone, and a part of the same bone. During the earlier periods of life, these processes are for the most part called epiphyses. Compare *Epiphysis*.

8. *Apo-plexia* (πλήσσω, to strike). Apoplexy; apoplectic fit or stroke. The term denotes congestion or rupture of the brain, with sudden loss of sensation and motion. The affection is sometimes called sideratio, resolutio nervorum, &c.

9. *Apo-plexia pulmonaris*. This term has been recently applied to hæmorrhage into the parenchyma of the lungs, usually attended by hæmoptiœ.

10. *Apo-psychia* (ψυχή, the soul). *Leipopsychia* of Hippocrates. Syncope, or fainting.

11. *Apo-sepedine* (σηπεδών, putrefaction). A substance formed from the putrefaction of animal matters; it is also called caseous oxide.

12. *Apo-stasis* (ἵστημι, to stand). An aposteme, imposthume, or abscess. When a disease passes away by some outlet, Hippocrates calls it *apostasis by excretion*; when the morbid matter settles on any part, he calls it *apostasis by settlement*; and when one disease turns to another, *apostasis by metastasis*.

13. *Apo-staxis* (σπάζω, to drop). The dropping of any fluid, as of blood from the nose.

14. *Apo-stema* (ἵστημι, to stand). An abscess; a separation of parts.

15. *Apo-syringesis* (σύριγξ, fistula). The degenerating of a sore into a fistula.

16. *Apo-theca* (ἀποθήκη, a shop, from τιθημι, to place). A shop where medicines are sold. Hence

*Apo-thecarius*. An apothecary; a compounder of medicines. This designation is more correct than those of chemist and druggist.

17. *Apo-thecia*. Scutella, or little shields; a term applied, in botany, to the reproductive portions of lichens.

18. *Apo-zem* (ζέω, to boil). A decoction; a preparation differing from a ptisan only in the addition of various medicines, and in its being employed at prescribed intervals, and not as a habitual drink.

**APOCYNACEÆ**. An order of Dicotyledonous plants, agreeing with *Asclepiadaceæ*, but of rather more suspicious properties. Trees or shrubs, usually milky, with *leaves* opposite, sometimes whorled; *corolla* monopetalous, hypogynous; *stamens* inserted into the corolla; *ovaries* two; *fruit* a follicle, capsule, drupe, or berry, single or double.

**APOCYNINE**. A bitter principle, ob-





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8. *Aqua destillata*. Distilled water; having a vapid taste, from the absence of air, and slightly empyreumatic, in consequence probably of the presence of a small quantity of extractive matter, which has undergone partial decomposition.

9. *Aqua marina*. Sea water; containing sulphate of soda, the muriates of soda, magnesia, and lime, a minute proportion of potass, and various animal and vegetable bodies.—*Paris*.

AQUÆ DESTILLATÆ. *Aquæ Stillatiæ*. Distilled waters; waters impregnated with the essential oil of vegetables, principally designed as grateful vehicles for the exhibition of more active remedies.

AQUÆ MINERALES. Mineral waters; a term conventionally applied to such waters as are distinguished from spring, lake, river, or other waters, by peculiarities of colour, taste, smell, or real or supposed medicinal effects. Mineral waters are of four kinds:—

1. *Acidulous*; owing their properties chiefly to carbonic acid; they are tonic and diuretic, and in large doses produce a transient exhilaration; the most celebrated are Pyrmont, Seltzer, Spa, Carlsbad, and Scarborough.

2. *Chalybeate*; containing iron in the form of sulphate, carbonate, or muriate; they have a styptic, inky taste. [See *Chalybeate Waters*.]

3. *Sulphureous*; deriving their character from sulphuretted hydrogen, either uncombined, or united with lime or an alkali.

4. *Saline*; mostly purgative, and advantageously employed in those hypochondriacal and visceral diseases which require continued and moderate relaxation of the bowels.

AQUA BINELLI. An Italian quack medicine, supposed to be a solution of creosote, and celebrated at Naples for arresting hæmorrhage.

AQUA CHALYBEATA. A water consisting of a solution of citrate of iron, highly charged with carbonic acid gas, and flavoured by a little aromatized syrup.

AQUA FORTIS. A name applied by the alchemists to the nitric acid of the Pharmacopœia, on account of its strong solvent and corrosive properties. It is distinguished by the terms *double* and *single*, the latter being only half the strength of the former. The more concentrated acid, which is much stronger even than the double aqua fortis, is termed by artists *spirit of nitre*.

AQUA LABYRINTHI. *Liquor of*

*Scarpa*; a fluid found in the cavities of the petrous bone. It is secreted by a mucous membrane which lines the vestibule and semicircular canals.

AQUA MARINE. A variety of *beryl*. [q. v.]

AQUA PHAGEDÆNICA. Phagedenic water; a lotion for ulcers, formed by the decomposition of corrosive sublimate in lime water.

AQUA POTASSÆ. The pharmacopœial name of the aqueous solution of potassa, prepared by decomposing carbonate of potassa by lime.

AQUA REGIA. Royal water; the name given by the alchemists to a mixture of the nitric and hydrochloric acids, from its property of dissolving gold, styled by them the *king* of metals. It is now called *nitro-muriatic acid*, and consists of one part of the former to two of the latter acid.

AQUA TOFFANA. A subtle, certain, slow-consuming poison, prepared by a woman of that name in Sicily, said by some to consist of opium and cantharides; by others, of a solution of arsenic.

AQUA VITÆ. *Eau de Vie*. A name given in commerce to ardent spirit of the first distillation. Distillers call it *low wines*. As an intoxicating beverage, it might very properly be termed *aqua mortis*.

AQUA VULNERARIA (*vulnus*, a wound). A remedy applied to wounds; another term for *arquebusade*.

AQUEDUCT (*aquæ ductus*, a water-course). A term applied to certain canals occurring in different parts of the body, as that—

1. Of *Fallopian*. The canal by which the portio dura winds through the petrous portion of the temporal bone.

2. Of *Sylvius*. The canal which extends backwards under the tubercula quadrigemina, into the fourth ventricle.

3. Of the *Cochlea*. A foramen of the temporal bone, for the transmission of a small vein from the cochlea.

4. Of the *Vestibulum*. The commencement of a small canal, which opens upon the posterior surface of the petrous bone, and transmits a small vein.

AQUEOUS (*aqua*, water). A term now coming into general use for designating definite combinations with water. The term *hydrate* has long been employed for the same purpose. A prefix is used when there is more than one atom, as in *bin-aqueous*, *ter-hydrate*.

AQUEOUS HUMOUR (*aqua*, water).



The fluid which fills the anterior and posterior chambers of the eye.

**AQUILA.** Literally, an eagle. A term which had formerly many epithets joined with it to denote particular substances; thus, *aquila alba*, seu *mitigata* was one of the fanciful names of calomel.

[**AQUILEGIA VULGARIS.** Columbine. A perennial herbaceous plant of the order *Ranunculaceæ*, formerly considered diuretic, diaphoretic, antiscorbutic, and vulnerary.]

**AQUULA** (dim. of *aqua*, water). A fatty tumour under the skin of the eyelid.

**ARACEÆ.** *Aroideæ.* The Arum tribe of Monocotyledonous plants, containing an acrid, and in some cases a highly dangerous principle. Herbaceous plants with *leaves* sheathing at the base; *flowers* unisexual, arranged upon a spadix, within a spathe; *stamens* hypogynous; *ovary* superior; *fruit* succulent.

**ARACHNIDA** (*ἀράχνης*, a spider). The third class of the *Diplo-gangliata*, or Entomoida, comprising articulated animals, generally with four pairs of legs, without wings or metamorphosis.

**ARACHNOID MEMBRANE** (*ἀράχνης*, a spider, *εἶδος*, likeness). *Meninx media.* The fine cobweb-like membrane situated between the dura and pia mater. It is the serous membrane of the cerebrospinal centres.

1. *Arachnoiditis*, or *Arachnitis.* Inflammation of the arachnoid membrane.

2. *Sub-arachnoidian fluid.* An abundant serous secretion, which fills all the vacuities existing between the arachnoid and pia mater, and distends the arachnoid of the spinal cord so completely, as to enable it to occupy the whole of the space included in the sheath of the dura mater.

**ARÆOMETER** (*ἀραιός*, thin, *μέτρον*, measure). *Hydrometer.* An instrument for determining the specific gravity of liquids into which it is plunged, by the depth to which it becomes immersed in them. The art or process of measuring the density or gravity of liquids is termed *aræometry.*

[**ARACK.** See *Arrack.*]

**ARALIA NUDICAULIS.** The naked-stalked Aralia, the roots of which are sometimes mixed with the split sarsaparilla of the shops.

**ARBOR.** A tree. The term is applied to certain *arborescent* forms assumed by *metals*:—

1. *Arbor Dianæ.* A term applied to silver, when precipitated from its oxide in the metallic form by mercury.

2. *Arbor Saturni.* A term applied to lead, when separated from its salts in a metallic state by zinc.

**ARBORESCENT** (*arbor*, a tree). Having the character of a *tree*; as distinguished from that of an *herb* or *shrub.*

**ARBOR VITÆ.** Literally, *tree of life.* A term applied to the *arborescent* appearance presented by the cerebellum, when cut into vertically.

*Arbor vitæ uterina.* A term applied to an *arborescent* arrangement of folds on the interior of the cervix uteri. They resemble the smallest of the *carneæ columnæ* of the heart.

**ARBUTUS UVA URSI.** Trailing Arbutus, or Red Bear-Berry; a plant of the order *Ericaceæ*, employed in cases of irritable bladder, of diabetes, &c.

**ARCA ARCANORUM.** Literally, a chest of secrets. The alchemical name of the philosopher's stone.

**ARCA'NUM.** A secret; a secret remedy; a remedy which owes its value to its being kept secret. Thus, sulphate of potash was formerly called *arcantum duplicatum*; acetate of potash, *arcantum tartari*; deutoxide of mercury, *arcantum corallinum*, &c.

**ARCH, FEMORAL.** The name of a considerable arch formed over the concave border of the pelvis. It is bounded above by Poupert's ligament, below by the border of the pubes and ilium.

**ARCHÆUS** (*ἀρχή*, beginning). A hypothetical intelligent agent, adopted by Van Helmont, resembling the *anima* of Stahl. See *Anima.*

**ARCHIL.** A violet red paste, prepared from the *Lichen rocellus*, or Orseille, and other species of lichen, and used in dyeing. The plant, reduced to a pulp, and treated with impure ammoniacal liquor, yields a rich purple tincture, called *litmus* or *turnsole*, used in chemistry as a test.

**ARCHOPTOMA** (*ἀρχός*, anus, *πίπτω*, to fall). *Archoptosis.* Prolapsus ani. A descent of the rectum. See *Anus.*

**ARCIFORM FIBRES** (*arcus*, a bow, *forma*, likeness). A term applied by Mr. Solly to a set of fibres which proceed from the corpus pyramidale, and pass outwards beneath the corpus olivare to the cerebellum. He distinguishes them into two layers, the *superficial cerebellar*, and *deep cerebellar fibres.*

**ARCTATIO** (*arcto*, to narrow). Constipation of the intestines; also preternatural straightness of the vagina.

[**ARCTIUM LAPPA.** A plant of the order *Compositæ*, the root of which is



considered aperient, diaphoretic, depurative, and diuretic. The bruised leaves, or a decoction of them, have been used as an application to ulcers and leprosy eruptions. The seeds are diuretic.]

[ARCUATE (*arcus*, a bow). Bow-shaped, bent like the arc of a circle.]

ARCUATIO (*arcus*, a bow). A gibbosity, or curvature, of the dorsal vertebræ, sternum, or the tibia.—*Avicenna*.

ARCUS SENILIS (bow of old age). [*Gerontoxon*.] An opacity round the margin of the cornea, occurring in advanced age.

ARDENT SPIRIT. A term applied to alcohol of moderate strength.

ARDOR (*ardeo*, to burn). Heat; a sense of heat, or burning.

1. *Ardor Urinæ*. A sense of scalding on passing the urine.

2. *Ardor Ventriculi*. Heartburn.

AREA. Literally, an open place. Under this term, Celsus describes two varieties of baldness, viz.—

1. *Area diffluens*. Diffluent areated hair; consisting of bald plots of an indeterminate figure, in the beard as well as in the scalp. This is the true *alopecia* of the Greeks.

2. *Area serpens*. Serpentine areated hair; consisting of baldness commencing at the occiput, and winding in a line not exceeding two fingers' breadth, to each ear, sometimes to the forehead; often terminating spontaneously. This is the *ophiasis* of the Greeks.

AREA PELLUCIDA. The transparent space formed after the lapse of several hours in the incubated egg, around the first trace of the embryo, by the middle portion of the germinal membrane.

1. *Area Vasculosa*. A second distinct space surrounding the area pellucida, and so named from the formation of the blood-vessels in it.

2. *Area Vitellina*. A third distinct space, surrounding the area vasculosa. This zone eventually encloses the whole yolk.

[ARECA NUT. Betel-nut. The product of the *Areca Catechu*.]

ARE'NA. Sand; an obsolete term for gravel or sediment in the urine.

AREOLA (dim. of *area*, a void space). The pink or brown circle which surrounds the nipple. Also the name given by Brown to an opaque spot or nucleus observed in the cells of plants, and since termed by Schleiden, *cytoblast*.

[AREOLATE (*areola*, a small space). Divided into areolæ or small spaces, as applied to surfaces.]

[AREOMETER. See *Aræometer*.]

ARES. An alchemical term expressive of the *Great First Cause*.

ARGAND LAMP. A name applied, from one of the inventors, to all lamps with hollow or circular wicks. The intention of them is to furnish a more rapid supply of air to the flame, and to afford this air to the centre as well as to the outside of the flame.

ARGE'MA (*ἀργός*, white). A small white ulcer of the eye, described by Hippocrates.

[ARGEMONE MEXICANA. Thorn poppy. A plant of the natural order *Papaveraceæ*, the juice of which after exposure to the air resembles gamboge, and is said to be useful as a hydrogogue in dropsies and jaundice. In Java the juice is used externally and internally in cutaneous affections; and the Hindoos consider it as a valuable remedy in ophthalmia, rubbed on the tarsi, or dropped in the eye. The seeds are employed in the West Indies, as a substitute for ipecacuanha, in doses of two drachms infused in a pint of water.]

ARGENTINE FLOWERS OF ANTIMONY (*argentum*, silver). The sesqui-oxide of antimony, frequently occurring in the form of small shining needles of silvery whiteness. See *Antimony*.

ARGENTUM (*ἀργός*, white). Silver; the whitest of metals; it occurs in the metallic state, and is also obtained from the ores of lead. It is employed in pharmacy only in the preparation of the nitrate.

1. *Argenti nitras*. Fused nitrate of silver, or *lunar caustic*; formed by dissolving pure silver in diluted nitric acid, evaporating to dryness, melting, and pouring the melted mass into moulds.

2. *Argentum foliatum* (*folium*, a leaf). Silver leaf; used for covering pills and other substances.

3. *Argentum in musculis* (*musculus*, a mussel). Shell silver; made by grinding the cuttings of silver leaf with strong gum water, and spreading it in pond-mussel shells; it is used for writing silver-coloured letters, but it tarnishes, and is inferior to the *argentum musivum*.

4. *Argentum zootenicum*. Cyanide of silver, sometimes called hydrocyanate, cyanuret, or cyanodide of silver.

The following are *Misnomers*:—

5. *Argentum musivum*. Mosaic silver; made of bismuth and tin melted together, with the addition of quicksilver; used as a silver colour.

6. *Argentum vivum*. Quicksilver, or



mercury, found native, but mostly extracted from the native sulphurets.

7. *Argentum vivum purificatum*. Hydrargyrum purificatum; or quicksilver rubbed with an equal weight of iron filings, and distilled in an iron vessel.

ARGILLA (*ἀργίλος*, white). *Argillaceous Earth*. White clay, or potter's earth; the earth of clay, called in chemistry *alumina*, from its being obtained in greatest purity from alum. See *Alumina*.

*Argilla vitriolata*. Alum.

ARGOL, or ARGAL. *Wine-stone*. Crude tartar; an acidulous concrete salt, deposited by wine, and used by dyers as a mordant.

ARICINA. An alkaloid found in cinchona bark, and very analogous in its properties to cinchonia and quina. These three alkaloids may be viewed as oxides of the same compound radical.

ARILLUS. A term applied, in botany, to an expansion of the placenta, or funiculus, about the seed: the *mace* of the nutmeg, and the red covering of the seed of the spindle-tree, are instances of arillus.

ARISTOLOCHIACEÆ (*ἀριστοχία*, the best, *λοχεία*, delivery). The Birthwort tribe of Dicotyledonous plants, so named from the reputed emmenagogue properties of the genus *Aristolochia*. Herbaceous plants or shrubs, with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* apetalous, hermaphrodite; *stamens* epigynous; *ovary* many-celled; *fruit*, dry or succulent, many-celled.

ARISTOLOCHIA SERPENTARIA. Virginia Birthwort, or Snake-root; a plant supposed to possess the power of arresting the effects of serpents' venomous bites.

ARMORACIÆ RADIX. Horseradish root; the root of the *Cochlearia Armoracia*. Its virtues depend on an essential oil combined with sulphur. See *Horseradish*.

ARNALDIA. A disease formerly known in England, and attended with Alopecia, or baldness.

ARNICA MONTANA. Leopard's-bane; a plant of the order *Compositæ*. It has been celebrated for internal pains and congestions from bruises, and has obtained the epithet of 'panacea lapsorum.' [The powder of the root and herb is given in doses of from 5 to 10 grs.]

AROMA (*ἀρι*, intensely, *ὄζω*, to smell). The odorous principle of plants, formerly called by Boerhaave the *Spiritus Rector*.

*Aromatics*. Plants which possess an *aroma* united with pungency, and are warm to the taste.

AROMATIC VINEGAR. An acetic solution of camphor, oil of cloves, of lavender, and of rosemary. The acetic acid used for this purpose is of about 145° of the acetometer, containing 68.5 per cent. of real acid. A preparation of this kind may be extemporaneously made by putting ℥j. of acetate of potass into a phial with a few drops of some fragrant oil, and ℞xx. of sulphuric acid.

ARQUA. A term by which the Arabian writers sometimes designate the *aqua*, or *gutta serena*, or cataract.

ARQUATUS MORBUS (*arcuatus*, from *arcus*, a bow). Literally, the *arched disease*; a name formerly given to jaundice, from the supposed resemblance of its colour to that of the rainbow.

ARQUEBUSADE (*arquebus*, a handgun). *Aqua Vulneraria*. A lotion composed of vinegar, sulphuric acid, honey, alcohol, and various aromatics; originally applied to wounds inflicted by the arquebus.

ARQUIFOUX. A sort of lead ore, commonly called *potters' ore*, from its being used by potters as a green varnish.

ARRACK, or RACK. An intoxicating beverage made in India, by distilling the fermented juice of the cocoa-nut, the palmyra tree, and rice in the husk. It may be imitated by dissolving forty grains of flowers of benjamin in a quart of rum: Dr. Kitchener calls this "Vauxhall Nectar."

1. *Goa arrack* is made from a vegetable juice called toddy, which flows by incision from the cocoa-nut tree.

2. *Batavia arrack* is obtained by distillation from molasses and rice, and is stronger than that of Goa.

ARRAGONITE. An impure species of carbonate of lime, brought from Arragon in Spain.

ARROW-ROOT. A term improperly applied to fecula or starch, prepared from the root of the *Maranta Arundinacea*, said to be efficacious in poisoned wounds. [It is also prepared from several other plants.]

*Arrow-root, British*. A fecula prepared from the roots of the *Arum maculatum*, or Cuckoo-pint, in the isle of Portland, by beating them into a pulp, which is repeatedly washed by passing it through a sieve; it is then dried in shallow pans.

[*Arrow-root, Florida*. Fecula of the *Zamia integrifolia* or *Z. pumila*.]

ARSENICUM (*ἀρσενικόν*, masculine, an ancient epithet, denoting strong and acrimonious properties). Arsenic; a brittle metal of a bluish white colour.



1. *Arsenious Acid*. This compound, frequently called *white arsenic*, and *white oxide of arsenic*, is prepared by digesting the metal in dilute nitric acid. It is well known as a violent poison. Its salts are called *arsenites*.

2. *Arsenic Acid*. The compound which results from the further acidification of the *arsenious* with nitric acid. Its salts are called *arseniates*.

3. *Fly Powder*. Poudre à mouches. A black powder, formed by the exposure of the metal to a moist atmosphere. It is generally regarded as a mixture of white oxide and metallic arsenic.

4. *Fuming Liquor of Arsenic*. A colourless volatile liquid, which fumes strongly on exposure to the air. It is the sesqui-chloride of arsenic; and is formed by throwing powdered arsenic into chlorine gas.

5. *Realgar*. Ruby or Red Arsenic; the protosulphuret. It occurs native, and may be formed by heating arsenious acid with about half its weight of sulphur.

6. *Orpiment*. Yellow arsenic; the sesqui-sulphuret. It occurs native, and may be formed by fusing together equal parts of arsenious acid and sulphur. It constitutes a well-known paint, and is the colouring principle of the pigment called *king's yellow*.

7. *Scheele's Mineral Green*. A well-known pigment, consisting of arsenite of copper, or the combination of the arsenious acid with oxide of copper.

8. *Liquor Arsenicalis*. A pharmacopœial preparation, called *Fowler's solution* and *Tasteless Ague Drop*, consisting of arseniate of potash dissolved in water, and flavoured and coloured by spirit of lavender.

9. *Pâte Arsenicale*. A remedy used in France, consisting of cinnabar, [70 parts,] sanguis draconis, [22 parts,] and arsenious acid, [8 parts,] made into a paste with saliva.

**ARSENOVINIC ACID**. A new acid produced by the action of arsenic upon alcohol.

**ARTEMISIA**. A genus of plants of the order *Compositæ*. The species *Chinensis*, *Indica*, and *Vulgaris*, yield the substance called *moxa*, which is prepared by beating the tops of these plants in a mortar, until they become like tow.

*Artemisia Dracunculus*. Tarragon; a plant which is used to impart a peculiar stimulating flavour to vinegar.

[*Artemisia Santonica*. Tartarian southern wood. Under the name of *semen contra*, seeds supposed to be of this plant

are celebrated as a vermifuge. The dose of the powder is from gr. x. to gr. xxx.]

**ARTERIA** (*ἀρτήρ*, air, *τηρέω*, to hold). A vessel which carries the blood from the heart; formerly supposed, from its being found empty after death, to contain only air.

1. *Arteria innominata*. A trunk arising from the arch of the aorta.

2. *Arteriæ helicinæ*. The name given by Müller to one set of the arterial branches of the corpora cavernosa penis. "They come off from the side of the arteries, and consist of short, slightly-curved branches, terminating abruptly by a rounded, apparently closed extremity, turned back somewhat on itself: these are sometimes single; sometimes several arise from one stem, forming a tuft."

3. *Arteriæ Venosæ*. The four pulmonary veins were so called, because they contained arterial blood.

4. *Arterial Circle of Willis*. This is formed by branches of the carotid and vertebral arteries at the base of the brain.

5. *Arterialization*. The conversion of the *venous* into the *arterial* blood; a term applied to the change induced in the blood as it passes through the lungs, by the evolution of carbonic acid, and the abstraction of oxygen from the air.

6. *Arteritis*. Inflammation of an artery or arteries.

7. *Arteriotomy* (*τομή*, a section). The opening of an artery to let blood, generally the temporal.

**ARTHANATIN**. A name applied by Saladin to a colourless crystalline matter, which is extracted by alcohol from the tuberous stem of the *Cyclamen Europæum*, or Sow-bread.

**ARTHRON** (*ἄρθρον*). A joint. Hence

I. *Arthr-itis*. Podagra, or Gout. Correctly, inflammation of a joint.

2. *Arthro-dia*. A kind of shallow articulation, as that of the humerus with the glenoid cavity.

3. *Arthr-odynia* (*ὀδύνη*, pain). Pains in the joints.

4. *Arthro-logy* (*λογος*, a description). A description of the joints.

5. *Arthro-pyosis* (*πύον*, pus). Abscess of a joint.

6. *Arthro-sis*. Articulation, or joint.

**ARTICULARIS** (*articulus*, a joint). Relating to joints; particularly applied to the arteries given off from the popliteal.

*Articularis genu*. This, and the term *subcruræus*, have been applied to a few detached muscular fibres, frequently found under the lower part of the cru-



ralis, and attached to the capsule of the knee-joint.

**ARTICULATA** (*articulus*, a joint). Articulated or jointed animals; one of the four great divisions of the animal kingdom.

**ARTICULATION** (*articulus*, a joint). *Arthrosis*; a joint. The mechanism by which the bones of the skeleton are connected with each other. All the forms of articulation may be reduced to three:—

I. *Synarthrosis*, or *Immovable*.

1. *Harmonia* (*ἄρω*, to adapt). Close joining; in which the bones merely lie in opposition to each other, as in the bones of the lace.

2. *Schindylesis* (*σχινδύλησις*, a fissure). A mode of joining, by which a projection of one bone is inserted into a groove or fissure in another, as in the articulations of the vomer with the rostrum of the sphenoid, and with the central lamella of the ethmoid bone.

3. *Gomphosis* (*γόμφος*, a nail). Nail-like insertion, as of the teeth in their sockets; their roots being fixed into the alveoli, like nails into a board. This is the only example of this kind of articulation.

4. *Sutura*. Literally, a seam. A dovetailing mode of articulation, the most solid of the four forms of *synarthrosis*; it occurs in the union of the flat bones of the skull with each other. There are two varieties, viz.—

1. *Sutura serrata*, as in the serrated, or *saw-like*, union of the frontal with the parietal bones, and of the parietal bones with each other.

2. *Sutura squamosa*, as in the *scale-like* connexion of the temporal with the parietal bone.

II. *Diarthrosis*, or *Movable*.

1. *Arthrodia*. In this form of articulation, the extent of motion is limited, as in the articulation of both extremities of the clavicle, and ribs; in the articulations of the radius with the ulna, of the fibula with the tibia, of the articular processes of the vertebræ, and of the bones of the carpus and tarsus with each other, &c.

2. *Ginglymus* (*γίγγλυμος*, a hinge). *Hinge-like* articulation, in which the bones move upon each other in two directions only, viz. forwards and backwards; but the degree of motion may be very considerable. Examples occur in the elbow, the wrist, the knee, the ankle, the lower jaw, &c.

3. *Enarthrosis* (*ἐν*, in, *ἄρθρωσις*, articulation). *Ball-and-socket* joint, the most extensive in its range of motion of all the

movable joints. There are three examples of this kind of joint, viz. the hip, the shoulder, and the articulation of the metacarpal bone of the thumb with the trapezium.

III. *Amphi-artrosis*, or *Mixed*.

This kind of articulation is intermediate between the immovable and the movable forms. It is characterized by having an intervening substance between the contiguous ends of the bones, and permitting of only a slight or obscure degree of motion. Examples occur in the connexion between the bodies of the vertebræ, the union of the two first pieces of the sternum, and the sacro-iliac and pubic symphyses.

**ARTIMOMANTICO**. An alloy of tin, sulphur, bismuth, and copper.

**ARTOS** (*ἄρτος*). The Greek term for bread, or *panis* of the Latins.

1. *Arto-creas* (*κρέας*, flesh). A food made of bread and various meats boiled together.

2. *Arto-gala* (*γάλα*, milk). A food made of bread and milk. A poultice.

3. *Arto-meli* (*μέλι*, honey). A cataplasm made of bread and honey.

[**ARUM**. A genus of the natural order *Aroideæ*. The officinal species are

[1. *A. maculatum*. Wake robin, cuckoo-pint. The root when fresh contains an extremely acrid juice. The root partially dried, has been given in dyspepsia, in doses of ten or fifteen grains. The starch termed Portland arrow-root, or Portland sago, is prepared from the dried root.

[2. *A. triphellum*. Indian turnip; dragon root. The recent root is a powerful local irritant. The recently dried root, which is less active, has been given in asthma, pertussis, dyspepsia, chronic rheumatism, &c., in the dose of ten grains, in an emulsion, or made into a conserve.]

**ARYTÆNOID** (*ἀρυτταίνα*, a ewer, *εἶδος*, likeness). A term applied to two triangular cartilages of the larynx. The derivation of the term relates to the appearance of both cartilages taken together, and covered by mucous membrane. In animals, which were the principal subjects of dissection among the ancients, the opening of the larynx with the arytæ-noid cartilages bears a striking resemblance to the mouth of a pitcher, having a large spout.

**ASAPHATI** (*ἀ*, priv., *σαφής*, clear). A sort of serpigo, supposed to be generated in the pores, like worms.

**ASAPHIA** (*α*, priv., *σαφής*, clear).



Defective utterance; a want of clearness of articulation or speech.

**ASARI FOLIA.** Asarabacca leaves; The leaves of the *Asarum Europeanum*, a plant of the order *Aristolochiaceæ*, abounding in a bitter principle called *asarin*, and used as an errhine.

[**ASARUM CANADENSE.** Canada snake-root, wild ginger. A plant of the order *Aristolochiaceæ*, the root of which is aromatic, stimulant, tonic, and diaphoretic.]

**ASBESTOS** (*a. priv.*, *σβέννυμι*, to extinguish). A mineral substance of a fibrous structure, from which an incombustible linen is made. There are several varieties, all more or less flexible and fibrous, and termed *amianthus*, or *mountain flax*, *mountain leather*, &c.

**ASCARIS** (*ἀσκαρίζω*, to jump). Parasitical worms found in the human body.

1. *Ascaris Lumbricoïdes*. The long and round worm.

2. *Ascaris Vermicularis*. The thread or maw-worm. See *Vermes*.

**ASCENSUS MORBI.** The ascent or increase of a disease.

**ASCIA** (an axe, or hatchet). A bandage, so called from its shape, and described by Hippocrates.

**ASCITES** (*ἀσκίς*, a sack; a skin-bottle; a big-bellied man). *Hydrops ventris*, vel *abdominis*. Dropsy of the belly or abdomen.

**ASCLEPIADACEÆ.** The Asclepias tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Shrubs or herbaceous plants, with *leaves* opposite, alternate, or whorled; *corolla* monopetalous, hypogynous; *stamens* inserted into the base of the corolla; *ovaries* two; *fruit* one or two follicles. In this tribe the sexual apparatus is very peculiar.

[**ASCLEPIAS INCARNATA.** Flesh-coloured Asclepias. An American plant, said to be a useful emetic and cathartic.]

[**ASCLEPIAS SYRIACA.** Silk-weed. The root of this species is said to possess anodyne properties.]

**ASCLEPIAS TUBEROSA.** Swallow-wort; an American plant, used as a diaphoretic in catarrh and rheumatism.

**ASEPTA** (*a. priv.*, *σῆπω*, to putrefy). Substances free from the putrefactive process.

**ASHES.** The residuum of the combustion of vegetables, containing alkaline salts.

**ASIATIC PILLS.** Each pill contains about one-thirteenth of a grain of white oxide of arsenic, and somewhat more than half a grain of black pepper.

**ASITIA** (*a. priv.*, *σῖτος*, food). Loss of appetite.

[**ASPARAGUS OFFICINALIS.** Common Asparagus. A well known plant of the natural order *Asphodeleæ*. The young shoots are diuretic, and are by some considered aperient, deobstruent, and to exert a sedative influence over the heart. A syrup and extract have been prepared, which possess the same powers as the fresh plant.]

**ASPARAMIDE.** A principle discovered in the juice of the asparagus, and in the root of the marsh-mallow and liquorice. It is the same as the *agedoite* of Robiquet.

**ASPARMIC ACID.** An acid obtained from asparamide, when boiled some time with hydrated oxide of lead or magnesia.

**ASPERA ARTERIA.** Literally, a rough air-vessel. The trachea; so named from the inequality of its cartilages.

**ASPERGILLIFORM.** [*Aspergillus*, brush.] Brush-like; divided into minute ramifications, as the stigmas of grasses, certain hairs of the cuticle, &c.

**ASPERSION** (*aspergo*, to sprinkle). A kind of *affusion*. See *Affusion*.

**ASPHALTENE.** A solid black substance, obtained by submitting the bitumen of Bechelborum, purified by ether, to a high and prolonged temperature.

**ASPHALTUM** (*a. priv.*, *σφάλλω*, to slip; from its being used for cement). *Jews' Pitch*. Native bitumen; a solid brittle bitumen, found principally on the shores and on the surface of the Dead Sea, and named from the lake Asphaltitis. A brown colouring matter is formed from it, which, when dissolved in oil of turpentine, is semi-transparent, and is used as a glaze.

**ASPHODELEÆ.** The Asphodel or Lily tribe of Monocotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants, with *bulbs*, occasionally arborescent, with *leaves* not articulated with the stem, parallel-veined; *flowers* hexapetaloidous; *stamens* hypogynous; *ovary* superior; *fruit* succulent or dry and capsular.

**ASPHYXIA** (*a. priv.*, *σφύξις*, the pulse). *Defectus pulsûs*; *defectus animi*. Originally, interrupted pulse; but, more recently and generally, interrupted respiration, as in hanging, drowning; suspended animation; apparent death.

[**ASPIDIUM FILIX MAS.** Male fern. A fern, the root of which has acquired great celebrity as a cure for tape-worm.]

[**ASPLENIUM.** A genus of ferns, some of the species of which are thought to have medicinal properties.]





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*Espèces Astringents.* The name given in the Codex of Parisian Pharmacopœia to a mixture of equal parts of bistort-root, of tormentil-root, and of pomegranate-bark.

**ATAXIA** (*a*, priv., *τάξις*, order). Irregularity; a term applied to some diseases.

**ATHEROMA** (*ἄθηρα*, pap). An encysted tumour, so called from its *pap-like* contents. Béclard observes, that this kind of cyst, as well as the varieties termed *meliceris* and *steatoma*, are merely sebaceous follicles enormously dilated.

**ATHYMIA** (*a*, priv., *θυμός*, courage). Lowness of spirits; depression.

**ATLAS** (*τλάω*, to sustain). The uppermost of the cervical vertebræ; so named from its supporting the head, as Atlas is said to support the world.

[**ATMIATRIA** (*ατμός*, vapour, gas, *ιατρεια*, treatment). Treatment of diseases by gases or vapours.]

**ATMOMETER** (*ἀτμός*, vapour, *μέτρον*, a measure). An instrument contrived by Professor Leslie for measuring the quantity of exhalation from a moist surface in a given time.

**ATMOSPHERE** (*ἀτμός*, vapour, *σφαῖρα*, a sphere). That volume of air which surrounds the earth.

1. *Atmospheric Pressure* is indicated by the length of a column of mercury. A mercurial column, 30 inches in length, presses on a given surface with the same force as the atmosphere in its ordinary state; and hence the force of a 60-inch column is equal to the pressure of *two atmospheres*; that of 15 inches to half an atmosphere; that of one inch to 1-30th of the atmospheric pressure.

2. *Atmospheres—two, three, &c.* Multiplied pressures of air, arising from condensation, the ordinary pressure being fifteen pounds on the square inch.

**ATOM** (*a*, priv., *τέμνω*, to cut). An ultimate particle of matter, incapable of further division. The term is frequently used in chemistry as synonymous with *equivalent*.

**ATOMIC THEORY.** A theory introduced by Dalton for explaining the laws of definite proportions in chemical combinations. It is founded on the supposition that matter consists of ultimate indivisible particles, called *atoms*: that these are of the same size and shape in the same body, but differ in *weight* in different bodies; and that bodies combine in definite proportions, with reference to those weights, which are hence called *atomic weights*. The main features of

this theory are briefly stated in the following paragraphs:—

1. In bodies capable of assuming the gaseous form, the weight of the atom is obtained from the *volume*; thus, water being composed of one volume of oxygen, united with *two* volumes (or *one atom*) of hydrogen, the relative weights will be, oxygen 8, hydrogen 1, and water 9.

2. In bodies which do not assume the gaseous form in their simple state, the weight of the atom is deduced from that of the *compound*; the weight of carbon, for instance, is obtained from that of carbonic acid gas, one volume of which weighs 22 times as much as our standard of unity; of these 22 parts, 16 are oxygen, leaving 6 to represent the primary molecule of carbon.

3. In the case of bodies which are incapable of assuming a gaseous form, either alone or in combination, the weight must be obtained by *analysis*; thus, marble, or the carbonate of lime, is found to be composed of 22 parts of carbonic acid, and 28 of lime: 28 therefore represents the atomic weight of lime.

4. The atomic weights are generally supposed to be related to one another by *multiple*; hence, this law is often called the *law of multiples*, or of combinations in *multiple proportion*. This will be easily seen by referring to the component parts of the following substances.

|                      | Nitrogen. | Oxygen. |
|----------------------|-----------|---------|
| Nitrous oxide.....   | 14        | 8       |
| Nitric oxide.....    | 14        | 16      |
| Hyponitrous acid.... | 14        | 24      |
| Nitrous acid.....    | 14        | 32      |
| Nitric acid.....     | 14        | 40      |

5. When only one combination of any two elementary bodies exists, Dr. Dalton assumes that its elements are united, atom to atom singly, by what he calls *binary combinations*; if several compounds can be obtained from the same elements, they combine, as he supposes, in proportions expressed by some simple multiple of the number of atoms; as in the following table:—

Atoms

1 of A+1 of B=1 of C, *binary*.

1 of A+2 of B=1 of D, *ternary*.

2 of A+1 of B=1 of E, *ternary*.

1 of A+3 of B=1 of F, *quaternary*.

3 of A+1 of B=1 of G, *quaternary*.

Berzelius has proposed a different classification of atoms, viz. into—

1. *Elementary atoms*; and

2. *Compound atoms*, which are—

1. *Compound atoms of the first order*,



or atoms formed of only two elementary substances united.

2. *Organic atoms*, or those composed of more than two elementary substances; these he has named from their being only found in organic bodies, or bodies obtained by the destruction of organic matter.

3. *Compound atoms of the second order*, or those formed by the union of two or more compound atoms, as the salts.

6. Dr. Wollaston applied the term *equivalents* to the combining proportions of elementary and compound substances, as, for instance, the quantities of acid and base, in salts, required to neutralize each other: thus, 100 parts of sulphuric acid, and 68 parts of muriatic acid, are *equivalents* of each other, being both necessary to saturate 71 parts of lime.

7. After all, Dr. Donovan observes that there is not perhaps a word in the language that conveniently expresses the quantity of a body which enters into combination. *Atom* is not only hypothetical, but often inapplicable, as when half atoms occur. *Equivalent* is only expressive when comparison with a correlative equivalent is directly implied. *Proportion* means similitude of ratios. *Proportional* is one of the terms of a proportion. *Combining quantity* or *weight* is sometimes expressive, but, besides being unwieldy, it is not always applicable. Dr. Donovan adds, the word *dose* is universally employed to designate a *determinate* or *definite quantity* of a thing given; it has the quality of involving nothing beyond a fact, and can often be used with advantage.

**ATONIA** (*a*, priv., *τόνος*, tone). Atony; a defect of muscular power.

**ATRA BILIS** (*Latin*). Black bile; melancholy. [See *Bilis*.]

**ATRAMENTUM** (*ater*, black). Ink. Celsus calls green vitriol *atramentum sutorium*, or cobbler's ink.

**ATRESIA** (*a*, priv., *τρώω*, to perforate). Imperforation; usually applied to the rectum, urethra, &c.

**ATRIPLEX FÆTIDA**. The wild or stinking Orach, now called *Chenopodium olidum* or *vulvaria*, much used by Dr. Cullen, as a volatile fetid, in convulsions. The plant exhales pure ammonia during its whole existence.

**ATROPA BELLADONNA**. Deadly Nightshade, or Dwale; a plant of the order *Solanææ*, belonging to the narcotico-acrid class of poisons.

*Atropine*. An organic base, found in

all parts of the *Atropa Belladonna*. It is highly poisonous, and in the most minute proportion possesses the property of dilating the pupil of the eye.

**ATROPHIA** (*a*, priv., *τροφή*, nourishment). *Tabes*. Atrophy; emaciation; defective nutrition; wasting of the body, without cough or evident fever.

[**ATROPOUS** (*a*, priv., *τρέπω*, to turn). Not inverted. See *Orthotropous*.]

**ATTENUANTS** (*attenuo*, to make thin). Diluent medicines.

**ATTENUATION** (*attenuo*, to make thin). The lessening of weight or of consistency; emaciation. The term is applied to the process by which a fluid becomes of less specific gravity, as when it undergoes fermentation, and parts with carbonic acid.

**ATTOLLENS** (*attollo*, to lift up). A muscle which draws any part upwards, as the *attollens auriculum*, or superior auris, which raises the ear.

**ATTRACTION** (*attraho*, to draw to). A term denoting certain *physical* and *chemical* properties of matter.

1. *Attraction of Gravitation*. The tendencies of *masses* of bodies to each other. See *Gravity*.

2. *Capillary Attraction*. The power by which a liquid rises in a fine tube higher than the surface of the liquid which surrounds it.

3. *Electrical Attraction*. The property displayed by certain substances of attracting certain others, on being rubbed.

4. *Magnetic Attraction*. The tendency of certain bodies, chiefly iron, towards the north pole of the earth and each other.

5. *Attraction of Cohesion*. The tendency of the *molecules* of a body to *cohere*, to form masses. It is the antagonist of *affinity*.

6. *Attraction of Affinity*. The tendency of the *atoms* of certain bodies to combine, to form *chemical compounds*. See *Affinity*.

**ATTRAHENS AURIS** (*attraho*, to draw to). A muscle which draws the ear forwards and upwards; also called *anterior auris*, and *prior auriculæ*.

**-ATUS**. This termination, as also that of *-itus*, denotes the presence of the substance indicated by the word which it terminates; as *alatus*, having wings; *auritus*, having ears, &c.

**AUDITORY** (*audio*, to hear). Belonging to parts connected with the sense of hearing, as applied to a *process* of the temporal bone; to two *passages* in this bone—the external and the internal



meatus; and to a nerve—the *portio mollis* of the seventh pair.

**AUGITE.** *Pyroxene.* A silicate of lime and magnesia.

**AURA** (ἄω, to breathe). A breath; a gentle gale; a breeze.

1. *Aura Electrica.* Electricity, as received from a point; so called from the sensation of its communication.

2. *Aura Epileptica.* A tingling sensation felt in the extreme parts of the body before an attack of epilepsy—a kind of 'formicatio.'

3. *Aura Podagrica.* A peculiar sensation creeping through the system, in gout.

4. *Aura Seminalis.* A theory of the mode of action of the semen in the ovum, according to which it was supposed to take place through the intervention of a peculiar emanation, and not by immediate contact.

**AURANTIACEÆ.** The Orange tribe of Dicotyledonous plants, abounding in a volatile, fragrant, bitter, exciting oil. Trees or shrubs, with leaves alternate, often compound, dotted with transparent receptacles of volatile oil; flowers polypetalous; stamens hypogynous; ovary many-celled; fruit, pulpy, many-celled, its rind filled with receptacles of oil.

**AURANTIUM.** The Seville Orange tree; a species of *Citrus*. The unripe fruit is known by the synonyms of orange peas, curasso oranges, &c. See *Citrus*.

*Aurantii bacca, cortex.* The Seville Orange, and its rind, flowers, leaves, and immature fruit.

[*Aurantii aqua.* The distilled water of the flowers of *Citrus vulgaris*, and sometimes of *Citrus aurantium*. Taken in sweetened water, it produces a very soothing and tranquilizing effect on the nervous system; and in some cases of nervous excitement will induce sleep when active narcotics fail to do so.

[*Aurantii oleum.* See *Neroli oil*.]

**AURIC ACID** (*aurum*, gold). A name proposed by Pelletier for the peroxide of gold, from its property of forming salts with alkaline bases.

**AURICULA** (dim. of *auris*, the ear). An auricle; the prominent part of the ear. Also the name of two cavities of the heart.

**AURICULÆ CORDIS.** Auricles; a term applied to those cavities of the heart which lead to the ventricles.

**AURICULARIS** (*auris*, the ear). The little finger; so called because it is generally put into the ear, when that organ is obstructed. Also, a designation of the

muscle which extends the little finger, or the *extensor minimi digiti*, from its turning up the little finger in picking the ear.

[**AURICULATE** (dimin. of *auris*, the ear). Eared. In botany this term is applied to leaves having two rounded lobes at the base, as the leaf of the *salvia officinalis*.]

**AURIGO** (*aurum*, gold). Orange skin; a term applied to an orange hue, diffused over the entire surface of the skin in newborn infants; Sauvages terms it *epheles lutea*. Also, an old name for jaundice, derived from its colour.

**AURIPIGMENTUM** (*aurum*, gold, *pigmentum*, paint). Yellow Orpiment. See *Arsenicum*.

**AURIS** (*aura*, air). The ear. It is distinguished into the *external* and the *internal*.

**AURISCALPUM** (*scalpo*, to scrape). An instrument for cleansing the ear.

**AURIUM TINNITUS** (*tinnio*, to ring). A ringing noise in the ears.

**AURUM.** Gold; a yellow metal, of great malleability and ductility. It is found generally native, massive, and disseminated in threads through a rock, or in grains among the sand of rivers.

1. *Aurum fulminans.* Aurate of ammonia; an explosive substance, produced by precipitating a solution of gold by ammonia.

2. *Aurum graphicum.* An ore of tellurium, occurring in veins in porphyry in Transylvania. According to Klaproth, 100 parts of it consist of 60 tellurium, 30 gold, and 10 silver.

3. *Aurum foliatum.* Aurum in libellis. Gold leaf, used for gilding pills, &c.

4. *Aurum in musculis.* Shell gold; made by grinding the cuttings of gold leaf with thick gum-water, and spreading the ground gold in pond-mussel shells.

5. *Aurum potabile.* Gold dissolved and mixed with volatile oil, to be drunk.

6. *Aurum pulveratum.* True gold powder; made by rubbing together grain gold and quicksilver, then distilling off the quicksilver, or corroding it away with spirit of nitre, and heating the black powder which is left to redness.

The following are *Misnomers*:—

1. *Aurum musivum, seu mosaicum.* Mosaic gold; the former name of the bisulphuret of tin. It is used as a pigment for giving a golden colour to small statues or plaster figures.

2. *Aurum sophisticum.* Powder gold, or bronze powder; made of verdigris, tutty, borax, nitre, and corrosive sublimate, made into a paste with oil, and



melted together; used in japan work as a gold colour.

**AUSCULTATION** (*ausculto*, to listen; from the ancient *ausus* for *aurus*, quasi *aurus culto*, i. e. *aurus colo*). Auricular exploration. The act of listening by the application of the ear, in the examination of disease. It is termed *immediate*, when practised by the unassisted ear; *mediate*, when performed by means of the stethoscope.

#### I. Sounds of the Respiration.

1. *Vesicular Respiration* is the sound of respiration produced in the vesicles of the lungs; it denotes that the lungs are permeable to air. It is at its maximum in infants, and is termed *puerile*; at its minimum in the aged, and termed *senile*.

2. *Bronchial Respiration* is the sound of respiration, as heard in the larynx, trachea, and large bronchi; it appears dry, and the air seems to be passing through a large empty space. There are several varieties of this sound.

3. *Cavernous Respiration* is the sound of respiration produced in morbid cavities of the lungs. During expiration, the wind appears to be puffed into the ear of the auscultator.

4. *Souffle*, or *Blowing*, is a sound resembling that of the air being actually drawn from or propelled into the ear of the auscultator, when the patient speaks or coughs. The 'souffle' is sometimes modified by the sensation, as of a *veil* interposed between a cavity and the ear, and is then termed *souffle voilé*, or the veiled blowing sound.

#### II. Rattles, Râles, or Rhonchi.

1. *Vesicular* or *Crepitating Rattles* are of two kinds, the moist and the dry. The former resembles the noise of salt thrown on the fire; the latter, that made by distending a dry bladder. The moist sound runs into the varieties of the bronchial rattle, and, when the bubbles are large, is called *subcrepitation*.

2. *Bronchial Rattles* are distinguished into the mucous, the sonorous, and the sibilant. The first resembles the rattling in the throat of the dying; the second, a sort of snoring sound, the tone of a base string in vibration, or a cooing sound; the third, a whistling sound. The mucous rattle, when seated in the bronchi or cavities, is termed *cavernous*, or *gargling*.

#### III. Sounds of the Voice.

1. *Bronchophony* is the resonance of the voice over the bronchi. It traverses the tube of the stethoscope, and is very

similar to pectoriloquism. In thin persons it resembles laryngophony.

2. *Pectoriloquism* is distinguished from bronchophony by its cavernous and circumscribed character. The voice comes directly from the chest to the ear, as if it were formed within the lungs. It may be perfect or imperfect.

3. *Ægophony* is a sound resembling the bleating of a goat, or a snuffing human voice. It seems as if an echo of the voice, of an acute, harsh, and silvery character, were heard at the surface of the lungs, rarely entering, and scarcely ever traversing, the tube of the stethoscope.

#### IV. Sounds of Cough.

1. *Tubal Cough* is a resonance of the concussion produced by coughing, over the larynx, trachea, and large bronchi. There is the obvious sensation of an internal canal. It denotes that the air is not allowed to enter the cells of the lungs.

2. *Cavernous Cough* is the resonance of the concussion produced by coughing, over a cavity. It is attended by cavernous rattle.

3. *Metallic Tinkling* resembles the sound of a metallic vessel, or glass, struck by a pin. It is heard in respiration, but especially when the patient speaks or coughs; it is sometimes heard in cough, when inaudible in the respiration or in the voice.

4. *Amphoric Resonance* is a sound like that heard on blowing into a decanter. It is heard under the same circumstances as the previous sound.

#### V. Sounds of the Heart.

1. *Cri du cuir neuf*. The sound resembling the creaking of the leather of a new saddle. This sound has been supposed to be produced by the friction of the heart against the pericardium, when one or both have lost their polish from the effusion of solid lymph with little or no serum.

2. *Bruit de soufflet*. A sound of the heart resembling the puffing of a small pair of bellows, as employed to blow the fire. This sound usually takes the place of the natural one; sometimes the two are conjoined; it may take place during the first and second sound, or only during one of these.

3. *Bruit de scie*. A grating sound of the heart, resembling that produced by the action of a saw upon wood; and—

4. *Bruit de râpe*. A grating sound of the heart, like that produced by the action of a file or rasp. There is every intermediate gradation; from the smooth-



ness of the *bellows-sound* to the roughest sounds produced by a large-toothed saw.

5. *Frémissement cataire* of Laennec, or *bruissement* of Corvisart. A peculiar thrill or tremor, perceived by the finger when applied to the heart or artery where it exists, resembling that communicated to the hand by the *purring of a cat*.

#### VI. Sounds of the Arteries.

1. *Bruit de soufflet intermittent*. An intermittent blowing sound, occasioned by contraction of the calibre of an artery, from tumour, &c. It is sufficient to compress the artery with the stethoscope to produce this noise.

2. *Bruit du soufflet continu*. A continuous blowing and snoring sound, resembling the blowing noise of the bellows of a forge. The *bruit de diable*, or sound of the humming-top, is a variety of this soufflet. Sometimes a kind of tune of the arteries is heard, resembling the humming of certain insects; this is called *sifflement modulé, ou chant des artères*.

#### VII. Sounds of Pregnancy.

1. *Bruit Placentaire*. A sound of the placeota, produced, according to Bouillaud, by compression of one of the large vessels of the abdomen by the gravid uterus. It is analogous to the intermittent blowing sound of the arteries.

2. *Double pulsation of the heart of the fœtus*. A tolerably exact idea of this noise will be obtained by listening to the tic-tac of a watch placed under a pillow upon which the head rests. It occurs at the middle of the period of gestation.

**AUTOMATIC MOTIONS** (*αὐτόματος*, of his own accord). Those muscular actions which are not dependent on the mind, and which are either persistent, or take place periodically with a regular rhythm, and are dependent on normal causes seated in the nerves or the central organs of the nervous system.

[**AUTOPHONIA** (*αυτος*, self, *φωνη*, voice). An auscultatory process, which consists in noting the character of the observer's voice, while he speaks with his head placed closely to the patient's chest. The voice will, it is alleged by M. Hourmann, be modified by the condition of the subjacent organs.]

**AUTOPSIA** (*αὐτος*, oneself, *ἴπτομαι*, to see). Post-mortem examination. Inspection of the body after death.

**AVENÆ SEMINA**. Oats; the fruit of the *Avena Sativa*, of the order *Gramineæ*, yielding a flour or meal which forms the common food in the north. *Groats*

are the oats freed from the cuticle, and used in broths and gruels.

1. *Avenæ farina*. Oat meal; employed for gruels, or decoctions.

2. *Avenaine*. A principle discovered in the *Avena Sativa*, or oat.

**AVES** (*avis*, a bird). The fourth class of the *Encephalata* or *Vertebrata*, comprising birds.

**AVULSION** (*avello*, to tear asunder). The forcible separation from each other of parts of the body which were previously more or less intimately united.

**AXILLA** (*ala*, a wing). The arm-pit; the space between the side of the chest and the shoulder. Hence the term—

*Axillary*. Applied to parts belonging to the *axilla*, or arm-pit. In botany, this term is applied to buds, which are developed in the angle formed by a leaf-stalk and the stem; the *normal* position of every bud is *axillary* in this sense.

**AXINITE** (*ἀξίνη*, an axe). A mineral, so called from the thinness and sharpness of its edges.

**AXIS** (*ago*, to drive). *Modiolus*. The central conical bony nucleus of the cochlea. Its surface is spirally marked by a double groove.

**AXUNGIA** (so called from its being used to grease wheels—*ab are rotarum quæ unguuntur*). Axunge, hog's lard, or adeps.

1. *Axungia præparata vel curata*. Prepared lard, or the *Adeps Præparata*.

2. *Axungia articularis*. Unguen articulare. Names of the peculiar fluid which favours the motions of the joints, and which is commonly called *synovia*.

3. *Axungia Castoris*. Pinguedo Castoris. A name formerly given to the secretion found in the *oil sacs* near the rectum of the Castor Fiber, or Beaver. The Indians use it in smoking.

**AZELAIC ACID**. An acid obtained by treating oleic with nitric acid. It closely resembles suberic acid. Another acid, the *azoleic*, is procured by the same process. The terms are derived from the words *azote* and *oleic*.

**AZOERYTHRIN**. A colouring principle, obtained from the archil of commerce.

**AZOLITMIN**. A pure colouring material, of a deep blood-red colour, obtained from litmus.

**AZOTE** (*a*, priv.; *ζωη*, life). A constituent part of the atmosphere, so called from its being incapable, alone, of supporting life. This gas is also called *Nitrogen*, from its being the basis of *Nitric Acid*, or *Aqua fortis*.



**AZOTIC ACID.** Another name for nitric acid. It exists only in combination.

**AZOTOUS ACID.** Another name for nitrous acid, or the hyponitrous of Turner.

**AZULMIC ACID.** The name given by Boullay to the black matter deposited during the decomposition of prussic acid; it is very similar to ulmic acid. See *Ulm.*

**AZURE.** A fine blue pigment, com-

monly called *smalt*, consisting of a glass coloured with oxide of cobalt, and ground to an impalpable powder.

**AZURE STONE.** *Lapis Lazuli.* An azure blue mineral, from which the unchangeable blue colour *ultramarine* is prepared.

**AZYGOS** (*a*, priv., ζυγός, a yoke). A term applied to parts which are single, and not in pairs, as to a process of the sphenoid bone, and a *vein* of the thorax.

## B

**BALBAH.** The rind or shell which surrounds the fruit of the *Mimosa cineraria*: it is brought from the East Indies, under the name of *neb-neb*; and is employed as a dye-stuff.

**BACCA.** A berry; an inferior, indehiscent, pulpy fruit, as the gooseberry. The term is often otherwise applied by botanists.

[**BACCATE** (*bacca*, a berry). Berried. It also in Botany signifies having a juicy, succulent consistence.]

**BACCHIA** (*bacchus*, wine). *Gutta rosacea.* The name given by Linnæus to a pimples or brandy face,—the kind of face that Bacchus rejoiced in.

**BACHER'S TONIC PILLS.** Extract of hellebore, and myrrh, of each, ℥j., with ℥iij. of powdered carduus benedictus, to be divided into pills of one grain each; from two to six to be given three times every day, according to the effects they produce.

**BACULUS.** Literally, a stick; and hence the term has been applied to a lozenge, shaped into a little short roll.

**BAKER'S ITCH.** *Psoriasis pictoria.* The vulgar name of a species of scall, occurring on the back of the hand.

**BAKERS' SALT.** A name given to the sub-carbonate of ammonia, or smelling salts, from its being used by bakers, as a substitute for yeast, in the manufacture of some of the finer kinds of bread.

**BALANCE ELECTROMETER.** An instrument constructed on the application of the common balance and weights, to estimate the mutual attraction of oppositely-electrified surfaces.

**BALANITIS** (βάλανος, glans). Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the glans penis, and inner layer of the prepuce.

**BALAUSTA** (βαλαύστιον). A name

applied to the many-celled, many-seeded, inferior, indehiscent fruit of the pomegranate.

**BALBUTIES** (βαβάζω, to babble). Stammering. In pure Latin, *balbus* denotes one who lisps, or is incapable of pronouncing certain letters; *blæsus*, one who stammers, or has an impediment in his speech.

**BALDWIN'S PHOSPHORUS.** The ignited nitrate of lime. This salt is so termed from its property of emitting a beautiful white light in the dark, when kept in a stoppered vial, and exposed for some time to the rays of the sun.

**BALISTA** (βάλλω, to cast). A sling. The astragalus was formerly called *os balistæ*, from its being cast by the ancients from their slings.

**BALL.** A form of medicine used in farriery, corresponding to the term *bolus*; it is generally that of a cylinder of two or three inches in length.

**BALL AND SOCKET.** *Enarthrosis.* A species of movable articulation, as that of the hip. See *Articulation.*

**BALLISMUS** (βαλλίζω, to trip or caper). A term which has been generally applied to those forms of palsy which are attended with fits of leaping or running.

**BALLOON.** A chemical instrument or receiver, of a spherical form, for condensing vapours from retorts.

**BALLOTA LANATA.** A plant indigenous in Siberia, and much recommended by Brera in rheumatic and gouty affections.

**BALLOTTEMENT** (*French*). The repercussion or falling back of the fœtus, after being raised by an impulse of the finger or hand, and so made to float in the liquor amnii.

**BALM TEA.** An infusion of the



leaves of the *Melissa officinalis*, or Common Bulm.

**BALM OF GILEAD.** Another name for the Mecca Balsam. See *Balsam*.

**BALSAM.** A technical term used to express a native compound of ethereal or essential oils with resin and *Benzoic acid*. Those compounds which have no Benzoic acid are *miscalled balsams*, being in fact true turpentine.

I. *Balsams with Benzoic Acid.*

1. *Balsam of Liquidambar.* Balsam which flows from incisions made into the trunk of the *Liquidambar styraciflua*. It dries up readily, and thus occurs in the solid form.

2. *Liquid Balsam of Storax.* Balsam said to be procured from the *Liquidambar attinia* and *orientale*. The substance sold as *strained storax* is prepared from an impure variety of liquid storax.

3. *Balsam of Peru.* Balsam procured from the *Myroxylon Peruiferum*. There are two kinds; the *brown balsam*, extracted by incision, very rare, imported in the husk of the cocoa-nut, and hence called *balsam en coque*; and the *black balsam*, obtained by evaporating the decoction of the bark and branches of the tree. These are semifluid balsams.

4. *Balsam of Tolu.* Balsam which flows spontaneously from the trunk of the *Myroxylon toluiferum*, and dries into a reddish resinous mass.

5. *Chinese Varnish.* Balsam which flows from the bark of the *Augia sinensis*, and dries into a smooth shining lac, used for lacquering and varnishing.

6. *Benzoin.* Balsam which exudes from incisions of the *Styrax Benzoin*. See *Benzoinum*.

II. *Balsams without Benzoic Acid.*

7. *Copaiba balsam.* Balsam of copahu or capivi; obtained by incisions made in the trunk of the *Copaifera officinalis*; used for making paper transparent, for lacquers, and in medicine.

8. *Mecca balsam, or Opobalsam.* Balsam obtained by incisions of, and by boiling, the branches and leaves of the *Balsamodendron Gileadense*. It becomes eventually solid.

9. *Japan lac varnish.* Balsam which flows from incisions made in the trunk of the *Rhus Vernix*.

[**BALSAM OF HONEY.** A tincture of benzoin or tolu. Hill's balsam of honey is made of tolu, honey āā lbj.; and spirit Oj. It is used in coughs.

[**BALSAM OF HOREHOUND.** (Ford's.) An aqueous infusion of horehound and liquorice root, with double

the proportion of proof spirit, or brandy; to which are then added opium, camphor, benzoin, squills, oil of aniseed, and honey.

[**BALSAM OF LIQUORICE.** This consists principally of paregoric elixir, very strongly impregnated with the oil of aniseed.]

**BALSAM OF SULPHUR.** A solution of sulphur in volatile oils. The absurdity of the term will be evident on referring to the article *Balsam*.

**BALSAMICA.** Balsamics; a term generally applied to substances of a smooth and oily consistence, possessing emollient, sweet, and generally aromatic qualities. See *Balsam*.

**BALSAMODENDRON MYRRHA.** The Myrrh-tree; a plant of the order *Terebinthaceæ*, which yields the gum-resin *myrrh*.

**BAMBALIA** (*βαμβαίνω*, to lisp or stammer). Stammering; a kind of St. Vitus's dance, confined to the vocal organs. Its varieties are *hesitation* and *stuttering*. See *Balbuties*.

**BANDAGE.** An apparatus of linen or flannel for binding parts of the body. Some bandages are called *simple*, as the circular, the spiral, the uniting, the retaining bandages; others are *compound*, as the T bandage, the suspensory, the capistrum, the eighteen-tail bandage, &c.

**BANDANA.** A style of calico printing practised in India, in which white or brightly-coloured spots are produced upon a red or dark ground. See *Barwood*.

**BANG.** *Subjee* or *Sidhee*. An intoxicating preparation made from the larger leaves and capsules of the *Cannabis Indica*, or Indian Hemp.

[**BANYER'S OINTMENT.** This consists of half a pound of litharge, two ounces of burnt alum, one ounce and a half of calomel, half a pound of Venice turpentine, and two pounds of lard, well rubbed together. It is used in Porrigo.]

[**BAPTISTA TINCTORIA.** Wild Indigo. The root of this plant is said in small doses to act as a mild laxative; and in large doses to be violently emetic and cathartic. It has been used externally as a cataplasm in obstinate and painful ulcers and in threatened or existing mortification.]

**BARBADOES LEG.** The name under which Dr. Hillary treats of the Arabian Elephantiasis. Dr. Hendy calls it the "Glandular disease of Barbadoes."

**BARBADOES TAR.** *Petroleum*. A species of bitumen, differing from naph-





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which the purity of gold was tried, and of which medical mortars were made. It consists of silica, lime, magnesia, carbon, and iron.

**BASCULATION** (*basculer*, French). A term used in examinations of the uterus in retroversion; the fundus is pressed upwards, the cervix drawn downwards; it is half the *see-saw* movement.

**BASIC WATER.** A term applied in cases in which water appears to act the part of a *base*: phosphoric acid, for instance, ceases to be phosphoric acid, unless three equivalents of water to one of acid be present.

**BASILAR [BASILARY]** (*βάσις*, a base). Belonging to the base; a term applied to several bones, to an artery of the brain, and to a process of the occipital bone.

**BASILICA** (*βασιλικός*). Royal; a term generally of *eminence*; and hence applied to the large vein of the arm.

1. *Basilicon*. The *Ceratum Resinæ*. An ointment made of resin, pitch, oil, wax, &c.—a *royal* ointment.

2. *Basilicus Pulvis*. The Royal Powder; an ancient preparation of calomel, rhubarb, and jalap.

**BASIO-GLOSSUS.** A muscle running from the base of the os hyoides to the tongue.

1. *Basio-chondro-cerato-glossus*. An unwieldy designation of the component parts of the hyo-glossus muscle, according to their origins and insertions.

2. *Basio-pharyngeus*. A term applied by Winslow to some fibres of the muscular layer of the pharynx, which proceed from the base of the os hyoides, and form part of the constrictor medius.

**BASIS** (*βάσις*, a base). 1. The substance with which an acid is combined in a salt. 2. A *mordant*; a substance used in dyeing, which has an affinity both for the cloth and the colouring matter. 3. The principal medicine in a prescription.

**BASIS CORDIS.** The base of the heart; the broad part of the heart is thus called, as distinguished from the *apex* or point.

**BASSORIN.** A constituent part of a species of gum brought from *Bassora*, as also of gum tragacanth, and of some gum resins.

**BASTARD DITTANY.** The root of the *Dictamnus fraxinella*, now fallen into disuse.

**BASYLE** (*βάσις*, a base, *ἔλη*, nature or principle). A term proposed by Mr.

Graham, to denote the metallic radical of a salt. Thus, sodium is the *basyle* of sulphate of soda; soda is the *base*, and sulphatoxygen the *salt radical*, if the salt be viewed as consisting of sulphatoxide of sodium.

**BATEMAN'S PECTORAL DROPS.** These consist principally of the tincture of castor, with portions of camphor and opium, flavoured with anise-seeds, and coloured by cochineal.

**BATES'S ALUM WATER.** Compound solution of alum or the *liquor aluminis compositus*. Alum, sulphate of zinc, of each ℥j.; boiling water, Oij. Dissolve and strain.

**BATES'S ANODYNE BALSAM.** One part of tincture of opium, and two of opodeldoc.

**BATES'S AQUA CAMPHORATA.** This collyrium, which was highly esteemed by Mr. Ware, is prepared as follows:—  
℞ Cupri sulph., boli gallii, āā gr. xv.; camphoræ, gr. iv. Solve in aquæ frigidæ Oiv.; et fiat collyrium.]

**BATH** (*bad*, Saxon). *Balneum*. Baths are *general* or *partial*; they may consist of simple water, or be *medicated*. The physiological and therapeutic effects of baths being modified by their temperature, the following classification, constructed on these principles, will be found practically useful:—

#### I. General Baths.

1. *Cold Bath*. *Balneum frigidum*. The temperature ranges from 33° to 60° Fahr. Below 50°, it is considered very cold.

2. *Cool Bath*. *Balneum frigidulum*. Temperature from 60° to 75° Fahr.

3. *Temperate Bath*. *Balneum temperatum*. Temperature from 75° to 85° F.

4. *Tepid Bath*. *Balneum tepidum*. Temperature from 85° to 92° Fahr.

5. *Warm Bath*. Temp. from 92° to 98° Fahr.; that is, about that of the body.

6. *Hot Bath*. *Balneum calidum*. Temperature from 98° to 112° Fahr.

7. *Vapour Bath*. *Balneum vaporis*; *balneum laconicum*. Temp. from 122° to 144.5° Fahr. When a vapour bath is applied only to a particular part of the body, it is called a *fumigation* or vapour douche.

8. *Hot-air Bath*. *Balneum sudatorium*. The sweating bath. Temperature from 100° to 130° Fahr.

9. *Artificial Sea-water Bath*. *Balneum maris factitium*. A solution of one part of common salt in thirty parts of water.

#### II. Partial Baths.

10. *Arm Bath*. *Balneum brachiluvium*.

11. *Foot Bath*. *Balneum pediluvium*.



12. *Hand Bath.* Baln. manuluvium.

13. *Head Bath.* Baln. capitiluvium.

14. *Hip Bath.* Coxæluvium, or demi-bain of the French; in which the body is immersed as high as the hips or umbilicus.

### III. Medicated Baths.

15. *Saline Bath.* Prepared by adding common salt to water. The temperature ought not to exceed 92° Fahr.

16. *Sulphurous Bath.* Prepared by dissolving four ounces of sulphuret of potassium in thirty gallons of water. It should be prepared in a wooden bathing-vessel.

17. *Gelatino-sulphurous Bath.* Prepared by adding one pound of Flanders' glue, previously dissolved in water, to the sulphurous bath above described. *Dupuytren.*

18. *Alkaline Bath.* Prepared with soap, the carbonates of soda and potash, or the solution of hydrate of potash.

19. *Metalline Bath.* Prepared by impregnating water with the scoræ of metals, particularly of iron.

20. *Ferruginous Bath.* Prepared with muftiated tincture of iron, or sulphate of iron.

21. *Medicated Hot-air Bath.* Prepared by impregnating the hot air with some gas or vapour, as sulphurous acid gas, or chlorine.

**BATH, CHEMICAL.** An apparatus for modifying and regulating the heat in various chemical processes, by interposing a quantity of sand, or other substance, between the fire and the vessel intended to be heated.

1. *Water Bath.* Balneum aquosum; formerly called balneum mariæ, from the use of a solution of salt instead of water only. Any vessel of water, capable of being heated to the boiling point, and of containing a retort, will answer the purpose. A bath of steam may sometimes be preferable to a water bath.

2. *Sand Bath.* Balneum arenæ. An iron vessel containing sand, being gradually heated, communicates the heat to every vessel buried in the sand. Those distillations which, at any part of the process, require as much as a low red heat, are usually performed in sand baths.

3. *Solution Bath.* Where temperatures above 212° are required in baths, saturated solutions are employed; these, boiling at different temperatures, communicate heat up to their boiling points. Solution baths will produce temperatures up to 360°.

4. *Metal Bath.* For temperatures above

360°, metal baths are employed, as those of mercury, fusible metal, tin, or lead. The temperature may thus be raised to 600°.

**BATRACHIA** (βάτραχος, a frog). An order of the class *Reptilia*, comprising the frog, toad, salamander, and siren.

**BATRACHUS** (βάτραχος, a frog). *Ranula.* Designations of the distended submaxillary duct.

**BATTERY, ELECTRICAL.** A term applied to an arrangement of Leyden jars which communicate together, and may all be charged with electricity and discharged at the same time.

*Battery, Galvanic.* A combination of several pairs of zinc and copper plates soldered together, and so arranged that the same metal shall always be on the same side of the compound plate.

**BATTLE'S SOLUTION.** *Liquor opii sedativus.* A narcotic preparation, generally supposed to owe its efficacy to the acetate of morphia.

**BAUHIN, VALVULE OF.** *Ileo-colic valve.* A valve within the cæcum, whose office is to prevent the return of the excrementitious matters from the cæcum into the small intestine. The extremities of its two lips form rugæ in the straight part of the cæcum, called by Morgagni *fræna of the valvule of Bauhin.*

**BAY BERRIES.** *Baccæ Lauri.* The berries of the *Laurus nobilis*, or Sweet Bay. A solid substance is extracted from them, called *laurin*, or camphor of the bay berry.

**BAYNTON'S ADHESIVE PLASTER.** This differs from the *Emplastrum resinæ*, L. P., only in containing less resin, six drachms only being added to one pound of the litharge plaster.

**BAY SALT.** Chloride of sodium, or common salt, as obtained by solar evaporation on the shores of the Mediterranean.

**BDELLA** (βδάλλω, to suck). The Greek term for the *leech*, or the *hirudo* of the Latins. The latter is the term now used.

**BDELLIUM.** A name applied to two gum-resinous substances. One of these is the *Indian bdellium*, or *false myrrh*, procured from the *Amyris commiphora*. The other is called *African bdellium*, and is obtained from the *Heudolotia Africana*.

**BEAD-PROOF.** A term denoting the strength of spirituous liquors, as shown by the continuance of the bubbles or beads on the surface.

**BEARBERRY.** The *Arctostaphylos*



*uva-ursi*, the leaves of which are employed in chronic affections of the bladder.

**BEAUME DE VIE.** Balm of life. The compound decoction of aloes.

**BEBEERU.** A tree of British Guiana, the timber of which is known to wood-merchants by the name of *greenheart*. It yields a substance, called *bebeerine*, of antiperiodic properties.

**BEDEGUAR.** A remarkable gall, termed *sweet-briar sponge*, found on various species of *Rosa*, and produced by the puncture of several insect species.

**BEER** (*bière*, Fr., *bier*, Germ.). *Cerevisia*. The fermented infusion of malted barley, flavoured with hops. The term *beer* is also applied to beverages consisting of a saccharine liquor, partially advanced into the vinous fermentation, and flavoured with peculiar substances, as, spruce beer, ginger beer, &c.

**BEESTINGS.** The first milk taken from the cow after calving.

**BEGUIN'S SULPHURATED SPIRIT.** A variety of hydrosulphate of ammonia, commonly called hepatic ammonia.

**BELL-METAL.** An alloy of 100 parts copper with 20 to 25 of tin. This compound forms a hard, sonorous, and durable composition, for making bells, cannon, statues, &c.

**BELLADONNA.** Deadly nightshade; a species of *Atropa*, the juice of which is well known to produce a singular dilatation of the pupil of the eye. The name is derived from the words *bella donna*, beautiful woman, the juice of its berries being used as a cosmetic by the Italian women to make their faces pale.

*Belladonnin.* A volatile vegetable alkali, said to be distinct from atropia.

**BELLOWS' SOUND.** An unnatural sound of the heart, resembling that of the puffing of a small pair of bellows, as heard by the stethoscope. See *Auscultation*.

**BEN, OIL OF.** The expressed oil of the Ben-nut, or the *Morynga pterygosperma*, remarkable for not becoming rancid for many years.

**BENEDICTUS** (*benedico*, to bless). Benedict or blessed; a term prefixed to compositions and herbs, on account of their supposed good qualities; thus antimonial wine was termed *benedictum vinum*; the philosopher's stone, *benedictus lapis*, &c.

I. *Benedicta Aqua.* Blessed water; lime-water; a water distilled from thyme; and, in Schroeder, an emetic.

2. *Benedictum laxativum.* Rhubarb, and sometimes the lenitive electuary.

3. *Benedicta centaurea.* The blessed thistle; a plant of the order *Compositæ*.

**BENUMBERS.** Agents which cause topical numbness and muscular weakness.

[**BENZOIN ODORIFERUM.** *Laurus Benzoin*, Linn. Spicewood, Fever-bush. A shrub indigenous in the United States, possessing a spicy, agreeable flavour, and an infusion of which is sometimes used as a gently stimulant aromatic. The bark has also been used in domestic practice, in intermittents.]

**BENZOINUM.** Benzoin; a balsam which exudes from incisions made in the *Styrax Benzoin*, or Benjamin tree.

1. *Siam Benzoin.* Benzoin of best quality. It occurs in *tears* and in *masses*. The presence of the white tears embedded in the brown resiniform mass gives an almond-like appearance, suggested by the term *amygdaloid benzoin*.

2. *Calcutta benzoin.* Benzoin of second and third quality, corresponding with the *common* or *brown benzoin* of some writers.

3. *Head benzoin* is a technical term for the first and purest portion; *belly benzoin* is the next in purity, mixed with parings of wood; *foot benzoin* is very foul, and used in India for fumigations, &c.

4. *Benzoic Acid.* *Flowers of Benjamin.* An acid exhaled from benzoin, dragon's blood, and other resins, by heat. Its salts are called *benzoates*.

5. *Benzine.* The name applied by Mitscherlich to the bicarburet of hydrogen, procured by heating benzoic acid with lime; this compound is termed by Liebig *benzole*, the termination in *ole* being assigned to hydrocarbons.

6. *Benzene.* A volatile fluid procured by Peligot, by heating dry benzoate of lime.

7. *Benzoyl, benzoïle, or benzule.* The hypothetical radical of a series of compounds, including benzoic acid, and the essence or volatile oil of bitter almonds.

8. *Benzamide.* A compound prepared by saturating chloride of benzoyl by dry ammoniacal gas, &c. See *Amide*.

9. *Benzimide.* A substance discovered by Laurent in crude essence of bitter almonds.

10. *Benzile.* A substance procured by passing a stream of chlorine gas through fused benzoin.

**BERBERIN.** A crystalline substance of a fine yellow colour, derived from the bark of the barberry root, used as a dye stuff.



**BERGAMOT.** An essence prepared from the rind of the *Citrus bergamia*, or Bergamot Citrus.

**BERGMEHL.** Literally, *Mountain meal*; an earth, so named in Sweden, resembling fine flour, and celebrated for its nutritious qualities. It is found to be composed entirely of the shells of microscopic animalcules.

**BERIBERI.** A spasmodic rigidity of the lower limbs, &c.; an acute disease occurring in India, and commonly confounded by nosologists with *barbiers*. "Bontius and Ridley say that this term is derived from the Indian word signifying a *sheep*, on account of the supposed resemblance of the gait of persons affected with it to that of the sheep. Good derives it from  $\beta\acute{\epsilon}\rho\beta\epsilon\rho\iota$ , the pearl oyster, or other shell, and hence uses it figuratively for *incurvation*. Marshall derives it from the reduplication of the word *beri*, signifying, in the language of Ceylon, weakness or inability, as if to express intensity of weakness."—*Forbes*.

**BERLIN BLUE.** *Prussian Blue*. The ferro-sesquicyanide of iron, sometimes called ferro-prussiate of iron.

**BERRIES.** *Baccæ*. The fruits of different species of plants. See *Bacca*.

1. *Bay berries*. The fruit of the *Laurus nobilis*; the berries and the oil obtained by boiling them in water are imported from Italy and Spain.

2. *Juniper berries*. The fruit of the *Juniperus communis*, which yields an oil, upon which the peculiar flavour and diuretic qualities of Geneva principally depend.

3. *Turkey Yellow berries*. The unripe fruit of the *Rhamnus infectorius* of Linnæus, used for giving a yellow dye in calico-printing.

4. *Persian Yellow berries*. Said to be of the same species as the preceding. They are termed *graines d'Avignon*, or berries of Avignon.

**BERYL.** A variety of the *emerald*; a mineral or gem, usually of a green colour of various shades, passing into honey-yellow and sky-blue. When coloured green by oxide of chromium, it forms the true emerald, and when colourless and transparent, *aqua marina*.

*Chryso-beryl* ( $\chi\rho\upsilon\sigma\delta\varsigma$ , gold). One of the finest of the gems, consisting of glucina and alumina.

**BETEL.** A famous masticatory employed in the East, consisting of the *areca*, *betel*, or *pinang nut*, the produce of the *Areca Catechu*, or *Catechu Palm*. A portion of the nut is rolled up with a little

lime in the leaf of the *Piper betel*, and the whole chewed.

[**BETONICA OFFICINALIS.** Wood Betony. An European plant belonging to the natural order *Labiatae*. By the ancients it was highly esteemed, and employed in many diseases, but at present it is little used. The root has been considered emetic and purgative.]

[**BETULA ALBA.** Common European birch. An European tree, the inner bark of which has been employed in intermittent fever. An infusion of its leaves has been used in gout, rheumatism, dropsy, and cutaneous affections; and the juice obtained by wounding the branches is considered useful in complaints of the kidneys and bladder.

[*Betulin*. A white uncrystallizable peculiar principle, obtained from the bark of the *Betula alba*.]

**BEZOAR** (*pa-zahar*, Persian, a destroyer of poison). A morbid concretion formed in the bodies of land animals, to which many fanciful virtues were formerly ascribed.

1. *Bezoardics*. A name given to a class of *alexipharmic* medicines, from the imputed properties of the *bezoar*.

2. *Bezoardicum Joviale*. A bezoar of tin and nitre, which differed little from the *Antihecticum Poterii*.

3. *Bezoardicum minerale*. A bezoar of antimony, made by adding spirit of nitre to butter of antimony.

4. *Bezoardicum animale*. The name formerly given to the heart and liver of vipers, once used in medicine.

5. *Camel-bezoar*. A bezoar found in the gall-bladder of the camel, and much prized, as a yellow paint, by the Hindoos.

6. *Goat-bezoar*. A bezoar said to be procured from animals of the goat kind, *capra gazella*, in Persia. The Greek term for this species of concretion is *agagropila*, literally, mountain-goat ball.

7. *Hog-bezoar*. A bezoar found in the stomach of the wild boar in India.

8. *Bovine-bezoar*. A bezoar found in the gall-bladder of the ox; common in Nepaul.

9. *Oriental bezoars*. These were formerly much valued in medicine: they are smooth, polished, and of a green colour: three of these, sent by the Schah of Persia to Bonaparte, were *ligniform*, or composed of fragments of wood; another was found to be composed of rosin.

10. *Spurious, or factitious bezoars*.



These were formerly made of lobsters' claws and oyster-shells, levigated on porphyry, made into a paste with musk and ambergris, and formed into balls like bezoars; of this kind were the *pierres de Goa*; or *de Malacca*, &c.

BI, BINUS (*bis*, twice). Two; a pair. Also a prefix of certain saline compounds, into which two proportions of acid enter for one of base, as bi-arsenate.

[1. *Bi-nate* (*binus*, a pair). Growing in pairs.]

2. *Bi-carbonates*. Salts containing a double proportion of carbonic acid gas.

3. *Bi-ceps* (*caput*, the head). Two-headed, or having two distinct origins, as applied to a muscle of the thigh and of the arm. The interossei muscles are termed *bicipites*, from their having each two heads or origins.

[4. *Bi-conjugate* (*conjugatus*, coupled). Bigeminate; arranged in two pairs.]

5. *Bi-cornis* (*cornu*, a horn). A-term applied to the os hyoides, which has two processes or horns; and, formerly, to muscles which have two insertions.

[6. *Bi-crenate* (*crenatus*, notched). Doubly crenate. Applied in botany to leaves, the crenate toothings of which are themselves crenate. See *Crenate*.]

7. *Bi-cuspidati* (*cuspis*, a spear). Having two tubercles; as applied to the two first pairs of grinders in each jaw.

8. *Bi-ennial* (*annus*, a year). Enduring throughout two years, and then perishing; plants which bear only leaves the first year; leaves, flowers, and fruit the second year, and then die.

[9. *Bi-farious*. Arranged in two rows.]

[10. *Bi-fid* (*bifidus*, forked). Divided into two by a fissure.]

[11. *Bi-foliate* (*folium*, a leaf). When two leaflets grow from the same point at the end of the petiole, as in *zygophyllum fabago*. See *Conjugate* and *Bi-nate*.]

12. *Bi-furcation* (*furca*, a fork). The division of a vessel, or nerve, into two branches, as that of a two-pronged fork.

13. *Bi-gaster* (*γαστήρ*, the belly). Two-bellied, as applied to muscles; a term synonymous with *bi-venter* and *di-gastricus*.

[14. *Bi-geminate* (*geminus*, a twin). Arranged in two pairs.]

15. *Bi-hernius* (*hernia*, ἕρνος, a branch). Having a scrotal hernia on each side.

[16. *Bi-jugous* (*jugatus*, coupled). In two pairs.]

17. *Bi-lobus* (*lobus*, a lobe). Having two lobes, resembling the tips of ears.

18. *Bi-ocular* (*loculus*, a cell). Two-celled; divided into two cells; a term

applied, in botany, to the anther, to certain capsules, &c.

19. *Bi-mana* (*manus*, a hand). Two-handed: as man: the first order of the Mammalia.

20. *Bin-oculus* (*oculus*, an eye). Having two eyes; a bandage for securing the dressings on both eyes.

[21. *Bi-partite* (*partitus*, divided). Parted in two.]

22. *Bi-pinnate* (*pinna*, the fin of a fish). Doubly pinnate; a variety of compound leaves. See *Pinnate*.

[23. *Bi-serial* (*series*, a row). Arranged in two rows.]

[24. *Bi-serrate* (*serratus*, sawed). Doubly sawed, as applied to the margins of leaves, when the serrations are themselves serrate. See *Serrate*.]

[25. *Bi-ternate* (*ternus*, three). Doubly ternate; when three secondary petioles proceed from the common petiole, and each bears three leaflets.]

26. *Bi-valved* (*valva*, a door). Two-valved, as the shell of the oyster, a legume, &c.

27. *Bi-venter* (*venter*, the belly). The name of muscles which have two bellies, as the occipito-frontalis. The term is synonymous with *di-gastricus*.

BIBITORIUS (*bibo* to drink). A former name of the *rectus internus oculi*, from its drawing the eye inwards towards the nose, and thus directing it into the cup in drinking.

BICE. A blue colour, prepared from the lapis armenius, for painting.

BILIS. Bile, gall, or choler; the secretion of the liver. Bile is distinguished as the *hepatic*, or that which flows immediately from the liver; and the *cystic*, or that contained in the gall-bladder.

1. *Bilin*. The constituent principle of the bile. It is separated by chemical processes; and when it contains acetate of soda, and is modified by the action of acetic acid, it is called *bile-sugar* or *picromel*.

2. *Biliverdin*. An ingredient in the bile, being the principal constituent of the yellow matter forming the concretions found in the ox, and much prized by painters.

3. *Bilis atra*. Black bile; formerly supposed to be the cause of low spirits, an affection named accordingly from the same term in Greek, μέλαινα χολή, or melancholy.

4. *Bilious*. A term employed to characterize a class of diseases caused by a too copious secretion of bile.

BIRDLIME. A glutinous substance



prepared from the bark of the holly. It contains resin, which has been called *viscina*.

**BISMUTH** (*wismuth*, German). *Marcasita*, *tectum argenti*, or tin glance. A white metal, usually found in tin mines. It occurs as an oxide, under the name of *bismuth ochre*; as a sulphuret, called *bismuth glance*; as a sulphuret with copper, called *copper bismuth ore*; and with copper and lead, called *needle ore*. Eight parts of bismuth, five of lead, and three of tin, constitute *Newton's fusible metal*. See *Pearl Powder*.

1. *Magistery of bismuth*. The tris-nitrate of bismuth; [subnitrate of bismuth, U. S. P.]; a white, inodorous, tasteless powder, also called *Spanish white*, and *pearl white*. [This preparation has tonic and antispasmodic properties, and has been used in gastrodynia and some nervous affections. The dose is five to ten grains.]

2. The *butter of bismuth* is the chloride; the *flowers of bismuth*, the sublimed oxide; and the *glance of bismuth*, the native sulphuret.

**BISTORTÆ RADIX** (*bis torta*, twice turned; so named from the form of the root). The root of the *Polygonum bistorta*, great Bistort or Snake-weed.

**BISTOURY** (*bistoire*, French). A small curved knife for operations.

**BISTRE**. A brown colour made of wood soot boiled and evaporated. Beech soot is said to make the best.

**BITTER**. A term applied, from its obvious meaning, to the following substances:—

1. *Bitter principle*. A General term applied to an intensely bitter substance, procured by digesting nitric acid on silk, indigo, &c.; also to quinia, quassia, salicina, &c.

2. *Bitter of Welter*. Picric or carhazotic acid, produced by the action of nitric or indigotic acid.

3. *Bitter apple*, or *cucumber*. The common name of the fruit of the *Cucumis colocynthis*.

4. *Bitter earth*. Talc earth. Vernacular designations of calcined magnesia.

5. *Bitter infusion*. A term applied to the *Extractum Gentianæ Compositum* of the pharmacopœia.

6. *Bitter-sweet*. The vulgar name of the *Solanum dulcamara*, a plant formerly used in medicine.

7. *Bitters*. A class of vegetable tonics, as gentian, chamomile, orange peel, &c.

**BITTERING**. Corruptly *Bittern*. A preparation for adulterating beer, com-

posed of cocculus indicus, liquorice, tobacco, quassia, and sulphate of iron or copperas. A similar preparation is sold for the same purpose under the name of *bitter balls*.

**BITTERN**. The *mother water*, or uncrystallizable residue left after muriate of soda has been separated from sea-water by crystallization. It owes its bitterness to sulphate and muriate of magnesia. It contains bromine.

**BITUMEN** (*πίτυμα*, *πίτυς*, pine). A mineral pitch, supposed to be formed in the earth by the decomposition of animal and vegetable substances. In its most fluid state it constitutes *naphtha*; when of the consistence of oil, it becomes *petroleum*; at the next stage of induration it becomes *elastic bitumen*; then *maltha*; and so on until it becomes a compact mass, and is then called *asphaltum*.

**BLACK**. A term applied to certain diseases, to some chemical compounds, &c., in consequence of their black appearance.

1. *Black Death*. The name given in Germany and the North of Europe, to an Oriental plague, which occurred in the 14th century, characterized by inflammatory boils and black spots of the skin, indicating putrid decomposition. In Italy it was called *la mortalega grande*, the great mortality. In many of its characters, this pestilence resembled the present bubo plague, complicated with pneumonia and hæmorrhages.

2. *Black Disease*. This, and *black jaundice*, are English terms for the morbus niger of the Latin writers, and the *melæna* of the Greeks.

3. *Black Water*. This, and *waterbrash*, are English terms for pyrosis.

4. *Black Vomit*. *Melæna cruenta*. Substances of a black appearance rejected in certain forms of disease, as in yellow fever, &c.

5. *Black Rust*. A disease of wheat, in which a black moist matter is deposited in the fissure of the grain. See *Brown Rust*.

6. *Black Draught*. A popular purgative, consisting of the infusion of senna with sulphate of magnesia.

7. *Black Drop*. A preparation of opium. [A nostrum, under the name of *Lancaster* or *Quakers' Black Drop*, has long been in use, which is prepared as follows:—Take of opium, ℥ss.; verjuice (juice of the wild crab), Oij.; nutmegs, ℥iiss., and saffron, ℥ss.; boil them to a proper thickness, then add a quarter of a pound of sugar and two spoonful of yeast. Set



the whole in a warm place near the fire, for six or eight weeks, then place it in the open air until it becomes a syrup; lastly, decant, filter, and bottle it up, adding a little sugar to each bottle. One drop is considered equal to about three of the tincture of opium. The vinegar of opium (*acetum opii*) has been introduced into the pharmacopœias as a substitute for, or imitation of, this preparation.]

8. *Black Extract*. *Hard multum*. A preparation from *cocculus indicus*, imparting an intoxicating quality to beer.

9. *Black Wash*. A lotion prepared by the decomposition of calomel in lime water. [*R* calomel, ℥i.; aq. calcis, ℥iv.]

10. *Black Flux*. A mixture of charcoal and carbonate of potash.

11. *Black Dye*. A compound of oxide of iron, with gallic acid and tannin.

12. *Black Lead*. *Plumbago*, or graphite; a carburet of iron. It is named from its *leaden appearance*, for it does not contain a particle of lead.

13. *Black Chalk*. Drawing-slate; a soft clay, of a bluish-black colour, composed principally of silica.

14. *Black Jack*. The name given by miners to a sulphuret of zinc.

15. *Black Naphtha*. A common name for petroleum, or rock oil.

16. *Black Turpeth*. Another name for the protoxide of mercury, commonly called the gray, ash, or black oxide.

17. *Black Wadd*. The peroxide of manganese; a well-known ore, commonly called, from its black appearance, black oxide of manganese; it is used as a drying ingredient in paints.

18. *Ivory Black*. *Ebur ustum*, or animal charcoal; procured from charred ivory shavings, and used as a dentifrice and pigment, under the name of *blue black*, being of a bluish hue; but bone-black is usually sold for it.

19. *Black Salts*. The name given in America to *wood-ashes*, after they have been lixiviated, and the solution evaporated, until the mass has become black.

20. *Lamp Black*. *Fuligo lampadum*. A form of charcoal, procured by burning resinous bodies, as the refuse of pitch, in furnaces.

21. *Black sticking Plaster*. A solution of isinglass, with some tincture of henjamin, brushed over black sarsenet.

22. *Spanish Black*. A form of charcoal made of burnt cork, and first used by the Spaniards.

23. *Black Boy Gum*. A red resin, recently imported from New Holland, and

supposed to be produced by the *Xanthorrhœa arborea*.

[24. *Black Snakeroot*. *Cimicifuga racemosa*.

[25. *Blackberry Root*. *Rubus villosus*.]  
BLADDER, URINARY. *Vesica urinaria*. The reservoir which contains the urine.

1. *Columnar Bladder*. A term applied in cases in which there is an unusual development of the muscular fasciculi of the bladder, giving an appearance of persistent prominences or *columns*.

2. *Trigonal space of the bladder*. A smooth triangular surface on the inside of the bladder, in the middle of its fundus, where the mucous membrane is destitute of rugæ.

3. *Neck of the bladder*. The orifice of the urethra; it is crescentiform, and embraces a small tubercle, called *uvula vesicæ*, formed by the projection of the mucous membrane.

4. *Fundus of the bladder*. 'All that part of its internal surface which corresponds to the inferior region of its external surface.

BLADDER GREEN. A green pigment, prepared from the ripe berries of the *Rhamnus catharticus*, or Buckthorn, mixed with gum arabic and lime water.

BLADDERY FEVER. *Bullosa febris*. Vesicular fever, in which the skin is covered with *bullæ*. See *Pemphigus*.

BLÆSITAS (*blæsus*, one who stammers). Mispronunciation; a species of *psellismus*, in which articulate sounds are freely, but inaccurately enunciated.

BLAIN. An elevation of the cuticle containing a watery fluid. See *Rupia*.

BLANC DE TROYES. Spanish White, prepared chalk, or the *Creta preparata* of the pharmacopœia.

BLANQUININE. A supposed new alkaloid, discovered in White Cinchona.

BLASTE'MA (*βλαστάνω*, to bud). A term applied to the rudimental mass of an organ in the state of formation. According to Schwann, it consists partly of a fluid, partly of granules, which spontaneously change into the nuclei of cells and into cells, and partly, also, of such nucleated cells already formed. *Müller*.

[BLAUD'S PILLS. The following is the original formula for these pills:—

“Take of gum tragacanth, in powder, six grains; water one drachm. Macerate in a glass or marble mortar until a thick mucilage is formed; then add sulphate of iron, in powder, half an ounce. Beat well until the mixture is quite homogeneous; then add subcarbonate of potassa





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**BLOODSTONE.** *Hæmatites*. A species of calcedony, supposed to have been useful in stopping a bleeding from the nose.

**BLOOD-STROKE.** *Coup de sang*. An instantaneous and universal congestion, without any escape of blood from the vessels.

**BLOODY FLUX.** Another name for *dysentery*, from the bloody nature of the intestinal discharges.

**BLOWPIPE.** A small conical tube, bent at one end, so as to be easily introduced into the flame of a candle or lamp, for the purpose of directing a stream of flame, by *blowing* through it, upon any object which is to be heated.

*Oxy-hydrogen blowpipe.* An apparatus for producing intense heat, by supplying a stream of hydrogen with pure oxygen, so that the two gases issue together in the form of a jet from the nozzle of the blowpipe.

**BLUE.** A term applied to a particular disease, to several pigments, and other compounds, in consequence of their colour.

1. *Blue Disease.* See *Cyanosis*.

2. *Prussian Blue.* Berlin blue. Sesquiferrocyanide of iron, prepared from bullocks' blood, carbonate of potash, sulphate of iron, and alum. The combination of Prussian blue and peroxide of iron is called *basic Prussian blue*.

3. *Saxon Blue.* Sulphate of indigo; a solution of indigo in concentrated sulphuric acid.

4. *Blue Verditer.* An impure carbonate of copper. [See *Verditer*.]

5. *Blue Copper-ore.* The finely crystallized subcarbonate of copper.

6. *Turnbull's Blue.* Ferrocyanide of iron; a beautiful blue precipitate, thrown down on adding red prussiate of potash to a proto-salt of iron.

7. *Blue Pill.* The *Pilulæ Hydrargyri*, or mercurial pill. [See *Mercury*.]

8. *Blue Ointment.* Neapolitan ointment; the *Unguentum Hydrargyri*, or mercurial ointment. [See *Mercury*.]

9. *Blue Eye-water.* The *Liquor Cupri Ammoniaci*, or solution of ammoniated copper.

10. *Blue Stone, or blue vitriol.* Blue copperas; the sulphate of copper.

11. *Blue John.* A name given by the miners to *fluor spar*, [q. v.] also called Derbyshire spar.

**BODY.** Any determinate part of matter. Its forms are the *solid*, as crystals; and the *fluid*, which are *elastic* and *aëri-form*, as gases; or *inelastic* and *liquid*, as water.

**BOIL.** *Furunculus*. The popular name for a small resisting tumour, attended with inflammation and pain.

**BOILING POINT.** That degree in the scale of the thermometer, at which *ebullition* is produced under the medium pressure of the atmosphere. Thus, 212° is the boiling point of water, when the barometer stands at 30 inches; at 31 inches, it is 213·76; at 29, it is only 210·19; in a common vacuum, it is 76°.

**BOLE** (*βῶλος*, a mass). A massive mineral. Its colours are yellow-red, and brownish-black, when it is called *mountain soap*.

**BOLETIC ACID.** An acid extracted from the expressed juice of the *Boletus pseudo-igniarius*, a species of mushroom.

**BOLETUS.** A genus of mushroom: Order, *Fungi*. Some of its species are—

1. *Boletus Igniarius*. Amadou, or German tinder; a fungus which grows on the trunks of trees, especially the oak, and is used for stopping hæmorrhage from wounds. It is known in Scotland and the north of Ireland by the name of *paddock stool*.

2. *Boletus purgans*. Larch agaric, formerly employed as a drastic purgative.

**BÓLOGNA STONE.** The native sulphate of baryta; a phosphoric stone found at Bologna.

**BOLUS** (*βῶλος*, a bole). A form of medicine larger than a pill.

**BOLUS AD QUARTANAM.** A remedy used by Laennec in pneumonia, consisting of one grain of emetic tartar to a drachm of bark, made into a mass by extract of juniper.

**BOLUS ARMENA RUBRA.** Red Armenian bole; a compound of aluminum found in Armenia. The substance sold under this name is made by grinding together pipeclay and red oxide of iron, and levigating.

**BOMBIC ACID.** (*βόμβυξ*, the silk-worm). An acid contained in a reservoir near the anus of the silk-worm. Its salts are called *bombiates*.

**BOMBUS** (*βόμβος*, the humming of bees). A sense of beating in the ears; a species of *bourdonnement*, consisting in a dull, heavy, intermitting sound.

**BONE.** A substance consisting chiefly of phosphate of lime and gelatine. See *Os, ossis*.

1. *Bone earth.* Phosphate of lime; the earthy basis of the bones of animals.

2. *Bone ash.* Animal ashes.

3. *Bone spirit.* A brown ammoniacal liquor, obtained in the process of manufacturing animal charcoal from bones.



[BONESET. *Eupatorium perfoliatum*.]

**BONPLANDIA TRIFOLIATA.** A name of the *Galipea cusparia*, which yields the Cusparia, or Angostura Bark.

**BORACIC ACID.** *Hombert's sedative salt*. An acid found native on the edges of hot springs in Florence, &c. It occurs in small pearly scales, and also massive, fusing at the flame of a candle into a glassy globule. See *Borax*.

**BORACITE.** Bi-borate of magnesia, a rare natural production.

**BORAGINACEÆ.** The Borage tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants or shrubs, with *leaves* alternate, covered with asperities; *corolla* gamopetalous; *stamens* inserted in the corolla; *fruit* four nuts, distinct.

[**BORAGO OFFICINALIS.** Borage. An European plant, an infusion of the leaves and flowers of which, sweetened with honey or syrup, is employed in France as a demulcent, refrigerant and gentle diaphoretic drink, in catarrhal affections, rheumatism, diseases of the skin, &c.]

**BORATE.** A salt formed by combination of boracic acid with a salifiable base.

**BORAX** (*baurach*, Arab.). A native bi-borate of soda, chiefly found in an impure state, and then called *tinkal*, as a saline incrustation in the beds of certain small lakes in an upper province of Thibet. When the refined salt is deprived of its water of crystallization by fusion, it forms a vitreous transparent substance, called *glass of borax*.

*Honey of borax.* Mel boracis. Powdered borax and clarified honey.

**BORBORYGMUS** (*βορβορυγμός*). The rumbling noise occasioned by flatus within the intestines.

**BORNEEN.** The name given to a compound of carbon and hydrogen found in valeric acid, and which, on exposure to moisture, acquires the properties of *borneo camphor*; it is supposed to be identical with liquid camphor. The camphor itself has been named *borneol*, and it is converted, by the action of nitric acid, into laurel-camphor.

**BORNEO CAMPHOR.** *Sumatra camphor*. A crystalline solid found in crevices of the wood of the *Dryobalanops aromatica*. Dr. Pereira says that it rarely comes to England as a commercial article.

1. *Liquid Camphor*; *Camphor oil*. A liquid obtained by making deep incisions into the *Dryobalanops aromatica*.

2. *Artificial Camphor*. A hydrochlorate of oil of turpentine, or other volatile oil.

**BORON.** A dark olive-coloured substance, forming the combustible base of boracic acid.

**BOSOPRIC ACID** (*βοῦς*, an ox, *κόπρος*, dung). Cow-dung acid; a strong colourless acid, procured from fresh cow-dung, of great efficacy in purifying mordanted cotton in the cow-dung bath. A better term would be *bucopric*.

**BOSWELLIA THURIFERA.** The Olibanum tree, a plant of the order *Terebinthaceæ*, yielding the gum-resin *olibanum*.

[**BOTAL FORAMEN.** The foramen ovale, q. v.]

**BOTANY** (*βοτάνη*, a plant). The science which treats of the Vegetable Kingdom. It embraces the following divisions:—

1. *Structural Botany*, relating to the laws of vegetable structure, internal or external, independently of the presence of a vital principle.

2. *Physiological Botany*, relating to the history of vegetable life, the functions of the various organs of plants, their changes in disease or health, &c.

3. *Descriptive Botany*, relating to the description and nomenclature of plants.

4. *Systematic Botany*, relating to the principles upon which plants are connected with, and distinguished from, each other.

**BOTANY-BAY RESIN.** A spontaneous exudation from the *Acarois Resinifera* of New Holland.

**BOTHRENCHYMA** (*βόθρος*, a pit, *ἔγχυμα*, *enchyma*). A name recently applied in Botany to the *pitted tissue* or *dotted ducts* of former writers, the appearance of these tubes being occasioned by the presence of little pits sunk in their walls. It is either *articulated* or *continuous*.

**BOTHRIOCEPHALUS LATUS** (*βόθριον*, a pit, *κεφαλή*, the head). *Tænia lata*. The broad Tapeworm, found in the intestines. See *Vermes*.

**BOTTS.** Worms which breed in the intestines of horses; the maggots of the horse gadfly.

**BOTULINIC ACID.** A peculiar fatty acid, produced by decomposing sausages, and supposed to be the cause of their deleterious qualities.

**BOUGIE.** Literally, a wax taper. Bougies are cylindrical instruments, generally made of slips of linen, spread with plaster, and rolled up with the plaster side outermost, on a hot glazed tile, and shaped. These instruments are intended to be introduced into the canals



of the urethra, the rectum, the œsophagus, &c., for the purpose of dilating them.

1. *B. Bell's Bougies* are made in the same way, by melting in one vessel four ounces of litharge plaster, and in another three drachms of olive oil, and an ounce and a half of yellow wax, mixing them for use.

2. *Plenck's Bougies* are made of catgut, and may swell after being introduced.

3. *Elastic gum Bougies* are not made of caoutchouc, but prepared by boiling linseed oil for a long time over a slow fire, and with this varnishing cotton, silk, or linen, employed as a basis.

4. *Smyth's flexible metallic Bougies* are liable to break, and are dangerous.

5. *Daran's medicated Bougies* are made of materials which dissolve in the urethra; of this class are the armed bougies, which are prepared with potassa fusa, or nitrate of silver.

**BOURDONNEMENT.** The name given by the French to the several varieties of imaginary sounds, termed—

1. *Syrigmus*, or ringing in the ears.
2. *Susurrus*, or whizzing sounds.
3. *Bombus*, or beating sounds.

**BOVINA FAMES** (*bos*, an ox, *fames*, hunger). *Bulimia*. Voracious appetite.

**BOYLE'S FUMING LIQUOR.** See *Fuming Liquor*.

**BRACHERIUM** (*brachiale*, a bracelet). A term used by some Latin writers for a truss, or bandage, for hernia.

[**BRACHIATE** (*βραχιων*, an arm). Armed. Applied in botany to branches which diverge nearly at right angles from the stem.]

**BRACHIUM** (*βραχίον*, an arm). The arm; the part from the shoulder to the elbow. The part from the elbow to the wrist is termed *lacertus*. Thus, 'sub-juncta lacertis brachia.' *Ovid*.

*Brachio-poda* (*ποῦς, ποδός*, a foot). Arm-footed animals; animals which have arms instead of feet; they are all bi-valves.

**BRACTEA.** A Latin term, denoting a thin leaf or plate of any metal. It is applied, in botany, to all those modifications of leaves which are found upon the inflorescence, and are situated between the true leaves and the calyx of the flower. They compose the *involucrum* of *Compositæ*, the *glumes* of *Graminæ*, the *spathe* of the *Arum*, &c.

**BRADY-SPERMATISMUS** (*βραδύς*, slow, *σπέρμα*, semen). Seminal mis-emission, in which the discharge is retarded from organic weakness.

**BRAIN.** *Encephalon. Cerebrum.* The

largest portion of the central part of the nervous system, occupying the whole upper part of the cavity of the cranium. This substance is not homogeneous throughout, but presents two distinct modifications, viz.—

1. A *cortical, cineritious*, or *gray* substance, which covers the brain in general; and,

2. A *medullary* or *white* substance, or the mass contained within the former.

**BRAN.** *Furfur tritici.* The husk of ground wheat.

**BRANCA** (Spanish for a *foot* or *branch*). A term applied to some herbs supposed to resemble a particular foot, as *brankursine*, or *branca ursina*, the name of the *Heracleum sphondylium*.

**BRANCHIA** (*βράγχια*, gills). Gills; filamentous organs for breathing in water.

*Branchio-poda* (*ποῦς, ποδός*, a foot). Gill-footed animals; animals which have gills instead of feet, as the *monoculus*.

**BRANDY.** *Eau de Vie.* The spirit distilled from wine. See *Spirit*.

**BRANKS.** The vernacular name in Scotland for parotitis, or the *mumps*.

**BRASQUE.** A term used by the French metallurgists to denote the lining of a crucible or a furnace with charcoal.

**BRASS.** *Æs, æris.* An alloy of copper and zinc. Common brass consists of three parts of copper and one of zinc. See *Similar*.

**BRASSICA RUBRA.** The Red Cabbage; employed by chemists as an excellent test for acids and alkalies.

**BRAZIL NUTS.** *Chestnuts of Brazil.* The nuts of the *Bertholletia excelsa*.

**BRAZIL WOOD.** The wood of the *Cæsalpinia Braziliensis*, which yields a red colouring matter used by dyers.

**BRAZILETTO.** An inferior species of Brazil wood, brought from Jamaica. It is one of the cheapest and least esteemed of the red dye-woods.

**BREAD-FRUIT TREE.** The *Artocarpus incisa*, a tree of the order *Urticaceæ*, the fruit of which is, to the inhabitants of Polynesia, what corn is to the inhabitants of other parts of the world.

**BREGMA** (*βρέχω*, to moisten). *Fontanel.* The two spaces left in the head of the infant, where the frontal and the occipital bones respectively join the parietal. It is distinguished as *anterior* and *posterior*. See *Cranium*.

**BRESLAW FEVER.** An epidemic which broke out in the Prussian army at Breslaw, in the middle of the last century,



and which has been named by Sauvages *tritæophia Vratislaviensis*.

**BREVISSIMUS OCULI** (superl. of *brevis*, short). A synonym of the obliquus inferior, from its being the shortest muscle of the eye.

**BREZILIN**. The name applied by Chevreul to the colouring matter of Brazil wood, obtained from several species of *Cæsalpinia*.

**BRICKLAYERS' ITCH**. A species of local tetter, or impetigo, produced on the hands of bricklayers by the contact of lime. See *Grocers' Itch*.

**BRIM OF THE PELVIS**. The oval ring which parts the cavity of the pelvis from the cavity of the abdomen. The *Outlet of the Pelvis* is a lower circle, composed by the arch of the pubes and the sciatic ligaments.

**BRIMSTONE**. A name for sulphur, [q. v.]

**BRITISH GUM**. A term applied to starch when reduced to a *gum-like* state by exposure to great heat. It then becomes of a brown colour, and in that state is employed by calico printers.

**BRITISH OIL**. Camphor one ounce, rectified spirits of wine four ounces, sweet oil twelve ounces, and oil of hartshorn five ounces, boiled together.

This name is also given to the *Oleum petræ vulgare*, or common oil of petre; a variety of petroleum.

**BRODIUM**. A term synonymous, in pharmacy, with *jusculum*, or broth, the liquor in which any thing is boiled; as *brodium salis*, a decoction of salt.

**BROMA** (*βρώσκω*, to eat). Food; any thing that is masticated.

*Broma-tology* (*λόγος*, a description). A description, or treatise on food.

**BROMAL**. A colourless oily liquid, formed by adding bromine to alcohol cooled by ice.

**BROMINE** (*βρῶμος*, a stench). A deep red-coloured fetid liquid, formerly called *muride*; an ingredient of sea-water, of several salt springs, of the ashes of seaweeds, and of those of the *Janthina violacea*, and other animals. It combines with oxygen, and forms *bromic acid*; and with hydrogen, forming the *hydro-bromic*.

**BROMURET**. A combination of the bromic acid with iodine, phosphorus, sulphur, &c.

**BRONCHUS** (*βρόγχος*, the windpipe, from *βρέχω*, to moisten). The windpipe; a ramification of the trachea; so called from the ancient belief that the solids were conveyed into the stomach by the

oesophagus, and the fluids by the bronchia.

1. *Bronchial tubes*. The minute ramifications of the bronchi, terminating in the *bronchial cells*, or air cells, of the lungs.

2. *Bronch-itis*. Inflammation of the bronchi, or ramifications of the trachea. It is known by the vernacular terms, bronchial inflammation, inflammatory catarrh, bastard peripneumony, and suffocative catarrh.

3. *Bronch-lemmitis* (*λέμμα*, a sheath or membrane). A membrane-like inflammation of the bronchia. See *Diphtherite*.

4. *Broncho-cele* (*κήλη*, a tumour). *Botium*; *thyrophraxia*. An enlargement of the thyroid gland. In Switzerland it is termed *goitre*; in England it is called swelled neck, Derbyshire neck, or Derby-neck.

5. *Broncho-hæmorrhagia*. A term recently proposed by Andral to designate the exhalation of blood from the lining membrane of the bronchial tubes, commonly called bronchial hæmorrhage. See *Pneumo-hæmorrhagia*.

6. *Broncho-phony* (*φωνή*, voice). The resonance of the voice over the bronchi.

7. *Broncho-tomy* (*τομή*, section). An incision made into the larynx or trachea.

**BRONZE**. An alloy of copper, 8 or 10 per cent. of tin, and other metals, used for making statues, &c.

**BROOM ASHES AND TOPS**. A remedy formerly extolled for dropsy, consisting of the ashes and green tops of the *Cytisus Scoparius*, or common broom.

**BROWN RUST**. A disease of wheat, in which a dry brown powder is substituted for the farina of the grain. Compare *Black Rust*.

**BROWNING**. A preparation of sugar, port-wine, spices, &c., for colouring and flavouring meat and made dishes.

**BRUCIA**. A substance procured from the bark and seeds of *nux vomica*, and from St. Ignatius's bean. It is said to be a compound of strychnia and resin, and not a peculiar alkaloid.

[**BRUIT**, Sound. A term from the French, applied to various sounds heard on auscultation and percussion. See *Auscultation*.]

**BRUNNER'S GLANDS**. Small flattened granular bodies of the mucous membrane of the small intestine, visible to the naked eye, distributed singly in the membrane, and most numerous in the upper part of the small intestine. These glands, sometimes erroneously termed "solitary," were described by



Peyer as being as numerous as the "stars of heaven." By Von Brunn they were compared collectively to a second pancreas. See *Peyer's Glands*.

**BRUNOLIC ACID.** One of the particular products which have been isolated in the distillation of coal.

**BRUNONIAN THEORY.** A theory founded by John Brown, according to which no change can take place in the state of the excitable powers without previous [excitement;] and it is only by over-excitement that the excitability, with life, can be exhausted.

**BRUNSWICK GREEN.** An ammoniaco-muriate of copper, used for oil painting.

**BRYGMUS** (*βρυγμός*, from *βρύχω*, to gnash with the teeth). Gnashing or grating with the teeth.

**BRYONIA DIOICA.** Bryony, or wild vine, a *Cucurbitaceous* plant, of which the fresh root is sold under the name of *white bryony*. Its properties are owing to the presence of an extractive matter called *bryonin*. [It is an active hydragogue cathartic, and, in large doses, sometimes emetic. The dose of the powdered root is from a scruple to a drachm.]

**BUBO** (*βουβών*, the groin). A swelling of the lymphatic glands, particularly those of the groin and axilla. It has been distinguished by the terms—

1. *Sympathetic*, arising from the mere irritation of a local disorder.

2. *Venereal*, arising from the absorption of the syphilitic virus.

3. *Constitutional*, as the pestilential—a symptom of the plague; or scrofulous swellings of the inguinal and axillary glands.

**BUBONOCELE** (*βουβών*, the groin, *κῆλη*, a tumour). Inguinal hernia.

**BUCCAL** (*bucca*, the cheek). A term applied to a branch of the internal maxillary artery, to certain branches of the facial vein, and to a branch of the inferior maxillary nerve.

*Buccal Glands.* The name of numerous follicles situated beneath the mucous layer of the cheek.

**BUCCINATOR** (*buccina*, a trumpet). The trumpeter's muscle; a muscle of the cheek, so called from its being much used in blowing the trumpet.

**BUCCO-LABIALIS.** The name given by Chaussier to a nerve of variable origin, being sometimes a continuation of the exterior fasciculus of the portio minor; at other times arising from the interior fasciculus, or from the deep temporal,

though generally from the inferior maxillary. *Bellingeri*.

**BUCCULA** (dim. of *bucca*, the cheek). The fleshy part under the chin.

**BUCHU LEAVES** (*bocchae*, Ind.) The leaves of several species of *Barosma*, or *Diosma*, much extolled for chronic disorders of the bladder.

**BUCKBEAN.** The *Menyanthes trifoliata*, a plant of the order *Gentianaceæ*, employed by the brewers in some parts of Germany as a substitute for hops.

**BUCKTHORN.** The vernacular name of the *Rhamnus catharticus*, derived from the spinous nature of some of the species; for the same reason it has been termed *spina cervina*, or stag's horn. The berries yield a delicate green, named by painters *verdevissa*.

**BUCNEMIA** (*βοῦ*, a Greek augmentative, *κνήμη*, the leg). Literally, bulky or tumid leg. See *Phlegmasia dolens*.

**BUFFY COAT.** The buff-coloured fibrin which appears on the surface of the crassamentum of blood drawn in certain states of disease.

**BULAM FEVER.** A name given to Yellow Fever, from its fatal visitations on the Guinea coast and its adjoining islands. [By some writers it is considered as a distinct form of fever.] See *Febris*.

**BULBO-CAVERNOSUS.** The name of a muscle situated beneath the bulb of the urethra, and covering part of the corpus spongiosum. Chaussier termed it *bulbo-urethralis*.

**BULBUS.** A bulb; a scaly leaf-bud, which develops roots from its base, and a stem from its centre. When the outer scales are thin, and cohere in the form of a thin envelope, as in the onion, this is the *tunicated bulb*. When the outer scales are distinct and fleshy, as in the lily, this is called the *naked bulb*. There can be no such thing as a *solid bulb*. See *Cormus*.

1. *Bulbus olfactorius.* That portion of the olfactory nerve, which expands into a *bulb-like* form, and rests upon the cribriform plate.

2. *Bulbus arteriosus.* The name of the anterior of the three cavities of the heart in all vertebrata, as exhibited in the early period of its development.

3. *Bulb of the urethra.* The posterior *bulb-like* commencement of the corpus spongiosum penis; hence, the included urethra is called the *bulbous portion*.

**BULIMIA** (*βοῦς*, an ox, or *βοῦ*, aug., *λιμός*, hunger). Voracious appetite. Its synonyms are—



*Adephagia, Bupeina, Cynorexia, Fames canina, Phagedæna.* [q. v.]

**BULITHUM** (βοῦς, an ox, λίθος, a stone). A bezoar or stone found in the kidneys, the gall, or urinary bladder of the ox. See *Bezoar*.

**BULLÆ** (*bubbles*). Blebs; blains; spheroidal vesicles, or portions of the cuticle raised by a watery fluid. The genera are—

1. *Pemphigus*. Vesicular fever.

2. *Pompholyx*. Water blebs.

**BUNYON**. Inflammation of the bursa mucosa, at the inside of the ball of the great toe.

[**BUPEINA** (βοῦς, an ox, πείνη, hunger). Voracious appetite. See *Bulimia*.]

**BUPHTHALMIA** (βοῦς, an ox, ὀφθαλμὸς, eye). Ox-eye; dropsy of the eye. See *Hydrophthalmia*.

**BURGUNDY PITCH**. Prepared from the abietis resina. See *Pix Burgundica*.

**BURNT SPONGE**. An article prepared by cutting sponge into small pieces, and burning it in a covered vessel until it becomes black and friable, when it is rubbed to a very fine powder.

**BURSÆ MUCOSÆ** (*mucous bags*). Small sacs situated about the joints, being parts of the sheaths of tendons.

1. *Bursalogy* (λόγος, an account). The description of the bursæ mucosæ.

2. *Bursalis*, or *marsupialis*. Former designations of the obturator internus muscle.

**BUTEA GUM**. A gum procured from natural fissures and wounds made in the bark of the *Butea frondosa*, a leguminous plant of India.

**BUTTER** (*butyrum*, from βοῦς, a cow, τυρός, coagulum). A substance procured from the cream of milk by churning.

1. *Butter-milk*. The thin and sour milk separated from the cream by churning.

2. *Butyrine*. A peculiar oleaginous principle procured from butter.

3. *Butyric acid*. An oily limpid liquid, one of the volatile acids of butter. By distillation, it yields a substance called *butyrone*.

4. The term *butter* is applied to *butter-like* substances, as those of antimony, bismuth, &c., meaning the *chlorides*.

**BUTTER OF CACAO**. An oily concrete white matter, of a firmer consistence than suet, obtained from the Cacao, or cocoa-nut, of which chocolate is made.

**BUTUA ROOT**. *Abuta* root. The name sometimes given in commerce to the root of the *Cissampelos pareira*, more commonly called *pareira brava*.

**BUXINE**. An alkaloid procured from the *Buxus Sempervirens*.

[**BYSSACEOUS**. Divided into very fine pieces, like wool, as the roots of some agarics.]

[**BYSSUS**. The filaments by which certain acephalous mollusca attach their shells to rocks.]

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**CABBAGE BARK**. *Surinam bark*. The bark of the *Andiva inermis*, a leguminous plant of the West Indies; antihelmintic.

**CACAO**. The Chocolatè-nut tree, a species of *Theobroma*. See *Cocoa*.

**CACHEXIA** (κακή, bad. ἔξις, habit). A bad habit of body; the name either of an individual disease, or of a class of diseases. The latter are denominated by Sagar *cacochymia*, a term signifying faulty chymifications.

[*Cachezia Africana*. Desire of dirt-eating amongst the negroes.]

**CACODYL** (κακώδης, fetid). A limpid liquid, of fetid odour, the supposed radical of a series of arsenical compounds derived from acetyl.

*Cacodylic Acid*. An acid obtained by the oxidation of cacodyl and its oxide, and synonymous with *alcargen*.

**CACOETHES** (κακός, bad, ἦθος, habit). The name by which Celsus distinguishes *noli me tangere* from cancer.

**CADET, LIQUOR OF**. [See *Fuming Liquor*.]

**CADMIUM**. A bluish-white metal found in several of the ores of zinc; so named from *cadmia fossilis*, a former name of the common ore of zinc.

[*Sulphate of Cadmium*. Used as a collyrium for the removal of superficial opacities of the cornea; one to four grains being dissolved in an ounce of pure water.]

**CADUCA** (*cado*, to fall). The *deciduous* membrane; so called from its being cast off from the uterus.

**CADUCOUS** (*cado*, to fall). A term applied in Botany to parts which *fall* early, as the calyx of the poppy, the petals of the gum cistus, &c. Parts which



continue on the plant long are termed *persistent*.

[CÆCAL. Belonging to the cæcum.]

CÆCITAS (*cæcus*, blind). A general term for blindness.

CÆCUM (*cæcus*, blind). The caput coli, or *blind* intestine; so named from its being prolonged inferiorly under the form of a cul-de-sac.

CÆSARIAN SECTION. *Hysterotomia*. The operation by which the fœtus is taken out of the uterus, by an incision through the parietes of the abdomen. Persons so born were formerly called *Cæsones*—a *cæso* matris utero.

[CÆSPITOSE (*cæspes*, turf). Growing in tufts; forming dense patches, or tufts; as the young stems of many plants.]

CAFFEIC ACID. An acid discovered in coffee; it contains the aroma of roasted coffee.

*Caffein*. A crystalline substance obtained from coffee, from tea, and from guarana—a prepared mass from the fruit of *Paullinia sorbilis*.

[CAHINCA, CAINCA. The Brazilian name for the root of a species of *Chiococca*, lately introduced as a medicine. It is said to be tonic, emetic, diaphoretic, and very actively diuretic. It is esteemed in Brazil as a remedy for the bites of serpents, and its Indian name is said to be derived from this property. The dose of the powder of the bark of the root, as an emetic and purgative, is from a scruple to a drachm; but the aqueous extract is usually preferred, the dose of which is from ten to twenty grains.]

CAJUPUTIOLEUM (*kayu-puti*, white wood). Kyapootie oil; [Cajeput oil]; an essential oil procured from the leaves of the *Melaleuca Minor*, termed by *Rumphios arbor alba*, a Myrtaceous plant of the Moluccas.

CALAMI RADIX. [Calamus, U. S. P.] Sweet-Flag root; the *rhizome* of the *Acorus Calamus*.

CALAMINA (*calamus*, a reed). Calamine; the impure carbonate of zinc; a pulverulent mineral, generally of a reddish or flesh colour.

*Calamina præparata*. The calamine reduced to an impalpable powder by roasting.

[CALAMUS. See *Calami Radix*.]

CALAMUS SCRIPTORIUS. Literally a *writing pen*. A groove upon the anterior wall, or floor, of the fourth ventricle. Its pen-like appearance is produced by the divergence of the posterior

median columns, the feather by the lines transversæ. At the point of the pen is a small cavity, lined with gray substance, and called the *Ventricle of Arantius*.

CALCANEUM (*calx*, the heel). *Calcar*. The os calcis, or heel bone.

[CALCARATE (*calcar*, a spur). Having a spur, as the petals of aquilegia.]

CALCAREOUS. The name of a class of earths, consisting of lime and carbonic acid, as chalk, marble, &c.

*Calcareous rock* is another term for limestone.

*Calcareous Spar*. Crystallized carbonate of lime. Icelandic spar is one of its purest varieties.

CALCINATION (*calx*, lime). A term formerly applied to express the oxidation of a metal effected by the action of the air: the oxide thus formed was denominated a *calx*, from its being earthy like lime. The term is now generally applied whenever any solid matter has been subjected to heat, so as to be convertible into a state of powder.

CALCIUM (*calx*, lime). The metallic base of lime, discovered by Davy.

*Calcii chloridum*. Chloride of calcium, commonly called muriate of lime. The anhydrous chloride deliquesces in the air, and becomes *oil of lime*.

CALCULUS (dim. of *calx*, a lime or chalk-stone). A solid or unorganized concretion found in various parts of the human body, and commonly called *stone*, or *gravel*. It is apt to be formed in the kidney, in the circumstances of those constitutional derangements which have been denominated *calculous diathesis*, of which the principal are,—

1. The *Lithic Diathesis*, characterized by yellow, red or lateritious, or pink deposits of lithate of ammonia; or by the formation of red gravel, or crystals of uric or lithic acid.

2. The *Phosphatic Diathesis*, characterized by the formation of white gravel, or crystals of phosphate of magnesia and ammonia; or by the white sediment of the mixed phosphates of magnesia and ammonia, and of lime.

#### I. *Amorphous Sediments*.

These are pulverulent, and may consist, 1. of *uric acid*, which is of a yellow or brick-dust colour, like the ordinary sediment of cooled urine; 2. of *phosphate of lime*, mixed with *phosphate of ammonia and magnesia*, and a considerable quantity of mucus; and 3. of the *mucus of the bladder*, which, having no earthy salts, becomes of a greenish yellow on drying, and the urine is always acid.





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gerous symptom in typhus, in which there is a biting and pungent heat upon the skin, leaving a smarting sensation on the fingers for several minutes after touching it.

**CALORIC** (*calor*, heat). The cause of the sensation of heat—a fluid, or condition diffused through all bodies.

1. *Sensible* or *free caloric* is that which produces the sensation of heat, or affects the thermometer; all caloric is sensible, if it be considered in reference to bodies of which the *form* is permanent.

2. *Insensible caloric*, formerly supposed to be latent or combined, is that portion which passes into bodies during a change of form, without elevating their temperature; as into ice at 32°, as it becomes water, and termed *caloric of fluidity*; or into water at 212°, as it passes into vapour, and termed *caloric of vaporization*.

3. *Specific caloric* is the (unequal) quantity of caloric required by similar quantities of *different* bodies to heat them equally. The specific caloric of water is 23 times as great as that of mercury; thus, if equal weights of the former at 40°, and of the latter at 160°, be mixed together, the resulting temperature is 45°. This quality of bodies is called their *capacity* for caloric.

4. *Absolute caloric* denotes the total amount of heat in bodies; no method is known by which this can be ascertained.

5. *Evolution of caloric* denotes that which is set free on a change of capacities in bodies, from greater to less, as in combustion, on mixing water with sulphuric acid, or alcohol, &c.

6. *Absorption of caloric*; the reverse of the former, as in the melting of ice, the evaporation of water or other fluids, &c.

7. *Diffusion of caloric* denotes the modes by which its *equilibrium* is effected; viz., by conduction, radiation, and convection:

8. *Conduction of caloric*, or its passage through bodies: those which allow it a free passage through their substance, as metals, are termed good conductors; those of a different quality, bad conductors.

9. *Radiation of caloric*, or its emission from the surface of all bodies equally in all directions, in the form of radii or rays; these, on falling upon other bodies, are either reflected, absorbed, or transmitted.

10. *Convection*, or the conveying of

caloric; as when a portion of air, passing through and near a fire, has become heated, and has conveyed up the chimney the temperature acquired from the fire. The convection of heat, philosophically considered, is in reality a modification of the conduction of heat; while the latter may be viewed as an extreme case of radiation. *Prout*.

11. The effects of caloric are *Expansion*, or augmentation of bulk; *Liquefaction*, or change from the solid to the liquid form; and *Vaporization*, or the passing of a liquid or solid into an aëri-form state.

[**CALORIFICATION** (*calor*, heat, *facio*, to make). The function of generating animal heat.]

**CALORIMETER** (*calor*, heat, *μέτρον*, measure). An apparatus for measuring the heat given out by a body in cooling by the quantity of ice it melts.

**CALORIMOTOR** (*calor*, heat, *moveo*, to move). An apparatus constructed by Dr. Hare of Philadelphia, for evolving caloric.

**CALOTROPIS GIGANTEA**. An Asclepiadaceous plant introduced from India, under the name of *mudar*, or *madar*, as an alterative and sudorific. It is said to contain a peculiar principle, called *mudarine*.

**CALUMBÆ RADIX** (*Kalumbo*, Portuguese). [Colomba, Ph. U. S.] The root of the *Cocculus palmatus*, one of our most useful stomachics and tonics. It contains a bitter principle, called *calumbin*.

**CALVARIA** (*calvus*, bald). The upper part of the cranium; the skull; *quasi calva capitis area*.

*Calvities*. Baldness. This term is synonymous with *calvitas* and *calvitium*.

**CALX**. (This term, when masculine, denotes the *heel*; when feminine, a chalk-stone, or *lime*). Lime; oxide of calcium, commonly called caustic lime, or quicklime.

1. *Calx vivæ*. Quicklime; unslaked or uncombined lime; obtained by heating masses of limestone to redness in a lime-kiln.

2. *Calx e testis*. Lime from shells; a pharmacopœial preparation from oyster shells.

3. *Calx cum kali puro*. Lime with pure kali, or the *potassa cum calce* of the pharmacopœia.

4. *Calcis hypochloris*. Hypochlorite of lime, or Tennant's bleaching powder. It has been termed oxymuriate of lime, chloride of lime, &c.



5. *Calcis carbonas*. Carbonate of lime, a substance occurring in the forms of marble, chalk, &c.

6. *Calcis subphosphas*. Subphosphate of lime; the principal part of the earth of bone.

**CALY'CES** (pl. of *calyx*, a flower-cup). Small membranous *cup-like* pouches, which invest the points of the papillæ of the kidney. Their union forms the *infundibula*.

**CALYCIFLORÆ** (*calyx*, a flower-cup, *flos*, a flower). Plants which have their flowers furnished with both a calyx and a corolla, the latter consisting of distinct petals, and their stamens perigynous.

[**CALYCVLATE** (*calyculus*, a small calyx). Having an involucre of bracts exterior to the calyx, as in many compositæ.]

**CALYPTRA** (καλύπτω, to veil). Literally, a *veil* or *hood*. A term applied to a membranous covering, which envelopes the urn-like capsule of mosses, and is eventually ruptured and falls off.

[*Calyptrate*. Having a calyptra or hood.]

**CALYSAYA**. A name of the pale or crown bark. See *Cinchona*.

**CALYX** (κάλυξ, a cup). The flower-cup, or external envelope of the floral apparatus. Its separate pieces are called *sepals*: when these are distinct from each other, the calyx is termed *poly-sepalous*; when they cohere, *gamo-sepalous*, or, incorrectly, *mono-sepalous*. A sepal may be hollowed out into a conical tube, as in larkspur, and is then said to be *spurred*. Compare *Corolla*.

[In anatomy this term has been given to the cup-like pouch, formed by mucous membrane, around each papilla of the kidney.]

**CAMBIUM**. A viscid juice abounding in spring between the bark and wood of trees, and supposed to be closely connected with the development of woody fibre.

**CAMBOGIA**. Gamboge; a gum-resin, procured from the *Hebradendron Cambogioides*, a Guttiferous plant. It issues from the broken leaves or branches in drops, and has hence been termed *gummi gutta*.

**CAMERA**. Literally, a *chamber*. A term applied to the chambers of the eye.

**CAMP VINEGAR**. Steep in the best vinegar for a month one drachm of cayenne pepper, two table-spoonsful of soy, and four of walnut-ketchup, six anchovies chopped, and a small clove of garlic minced fine. Shake it frequently, strain

through a tammiss, and keep it well corked in small bottles.

**CAMPANULACEÆ** (*campanula*, a little bell). The Campanula tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants or under shrubs, yielding a milky juice. *Corolla* gamopetalous, inserted into the top of the calyx, and withering on the fruit. *Stamens* inserted into the calyx, alternate with the lobes of the corolla. *Ovary* inferior, with two or more cells. *Fruit* dry, crowned by the withered calyx and corolla, and dehiscing by apertures or valves.

*Campanulate*. Bell-shaped; as applied, in botany, to the calyx or corolla, when shaped like a little bell.

**CAMPEACHY WOOD**. The *Hæmatoxyli Lignum*, or Logwood; used for dyeing, in the form of chips.

**CAMPHINE**. A spirit for burning in lamps, said to consist of oil of turpentine with a species of naphtha.

**CAMPHORA OFFICINARUM**. The Camphor-tree, a Lauraceous plant, the wood and leaves of which yield the official camphor by means of dry distillation. Camphor is a kind of stearopten remaining after the elaopten or ethereal oil of the live tree is evaporated.

1. *Dutch camphor*. Japan camphor; brought from Batavia, and said to be the produce of Japan. It is imported in tubs, and is hence called *tub camphor*.

2. *China camphor*. Ordinary crude camphor, produced in the island of Formosa. It is purified by sublimation, and then called *refined camphor*.

3. *Liquid camphor*. This substance contains the same proportions of carbon and hydrogen as solid camphor, but only half as much oxygen. It is the elaopten of the *oil of camphor* of commerce.

4. *Artificial camphor*. The name given to a white granular crystalline volatile product, having a smell resembling that of camphor, which is obtained by passing hydro-chloric acid gas through oil of turpentine.

5. *Camphoræ flores*. The subtile substance which first ascends in subliming camphor; it is merely camphor.

6. *Camphoræ flore compositi*. Compound flowers of camphor; or camphor sublimed with benzoin.

7. *Camphoric acid*. A compound procured by digesting camphor in nitric acid. Its salts are called *camphorates*.

8. *Campholic acid*. An acid with the consistence of camphor, but containing two parts more of hydrogen and oxygen.



9. *Camphogen*. A colourless liquid, obtained by distilling camphor with anhydrous phosphoric acid.

10. *Camphrone*. A light oil obtained by dropping fragments of camphor into a porcelain tube containing quicklime heated to redness.

11. The term *Camphor* has been applied to all the volatile oils which are concrete at the ordinary temperature, provided they do not, at the same time, contain any notable quantity of fluid oil. Thus we have the *Camphor of Tobacco*, *Camphor of Anemone*, *Camphor of Elecampane*, &c.

**CAMPYLOTROPOUS** (*καμπύλος*, curved, *τρέπω*, to turn). A term applied to the ovule of plants, when its axis, instead of remaining rectilinear, is curved down upon itself, the base of the nucleus still continuing to be contiguous to the hilum.

**CAMWOOD**. A red dye-wood, principally obtained from the vicinity of Sierra Leone.

[**CANALICULATE** (*Canaliculus*, a small canal). Channelled; having a long furrow.]

**CANALICULI** (dim. of *canalis*, a canal). The name given by Morgagni to some large lacunæ, which secrete mucus in the canal of the urethra.

**CANALIS** (*canna*, a reed). A canal; so named from its being hollowed out in the form of a reed. A hollow instrument used by surgeons as a splint. *Celsus*.

1. *Canalis arteriosus*. A blood-vessel which unites the pulmonary artery and aorta in the fœtus.

2. *Canalis venosus*. A canal which conveys the blood from the *vena portæ* of the liver to the ascending *vena cava* in the fœtus.

3. *Canal of Fontana*. A minute vascular canal situated within the ciliary ligament, and so named from its discoverer. It is also termed the *ciliary canal*.

4. *Canal of Petit*. A triangular canal situated immediately around the circumference of the crystalline lens; so named after its discoverer. When distended with air, or size injection, it presents a plaited appearance, and has hence been called by the French *canal godronné*.

[5. *Canal of Schlemm*. A minute canal at the junction of the cornea and scleroticion.]

**CANCELLI**. The Latin term for lattices, or windows, made with cross-bars of wood, iron, &c. Hence it is applied to the spongy structure of bones; and

hence the term cancellated is applied to any thing which is cross-barred, or marked by lines crossing one another.

**CANCER**. Literally, a crab; and when used in this sense, its genitive case is *cancri*; but when it signifies the disease designated by the Greeks *carcinoma*, its genitive case is *canceris*. The term is applied to the disease from the claw-like spreading of the veins. The textures of cancer, as given by Bayle, are the following:—

1. The *Chondroid* (*χόνδρος*, cartilage, *εἶδος*, likeness), or cartilagiform.

2. The *Hyaloid* (*ὑαλος*, glass, *εἶδος*, likeness), or vitriform.

3. The *Larinoïd* (*λαρινός*, fat, *εἶδος*, likeness), or lardiform.

4. The *Bunioïd* (*βούνιον*, a turnip, *εἶδος*, likeness,) or napiform.

5. The *Encephaloïd* (*ἐγκέφαλος*, the brain, *εἶδος*, likeness), or cerebriform.

6. The *Colloïd* (*κόλλα*, glue, *εἶδος*, likeness), or gelatiniform.

7. The *Compound cancerous*; the *Mixed cancerous*; and the *Superficial cancerous*.

**CANCER SCROTI**. *Cancer munditorum*. Chimney-sweepers' cancer, or the soot-wart.

**CANCER (BANDAGE)**. A crab; a term denoting a bandage resembling a crab in the number of its legs, and called the *split-cloth of eight tails*.

**CANCERORUM LAPILLI**. Crabs' eyes, or crabs' stones; the names of two calcareous concretions found in the stomach of the *Astacus fluviatilis*, or Crayfish, at the time when the animal is about to change its shell; these were formerly ground and employed in medicine as absorbents and antacids.

*Cancerorum chelæ*. Crabs' claws; the claws of the *Cancer pagurus*, the Black-clawed, or Large Edible Crab; these, when prepared by grinding, constitute the *prepared crabs' claws* of the shops, formerly used for the same purposes as the crabs' stones.

**CANCERUM ORIS** (*cancer*, a crab). Canker; a fetid ulcer, with jagged edges, of the gums and inside of the lips and cheeks, attended with a copious flow of offensive saliva. It occurs principally in children. Compare *Gangræna oris* and *Aphtha*.

**CANDLE TREE OIL**. A solid oil, obtained from the seed of the *Croton sebiferum*, or Candle tree, a native of China. It is used by the Chinese for making candles.

**CANELLA ALBA**. Laurel-leaved



**Canella** or Wild Cinnamon; a Guttiferous plant, the inner bark of which constitutes the *canella bark* of the shops, sometimes termed on the continent *costus dulcis*, or *costus corticosus*.

**Canellin**. A crystallizable saccharine substance found in canella bark.

**CANINE APPETITE**. *Fames canina*. Voracity. See *Bulimia*.

**CANINE TEETH** (*canis*, a dog). *Cuspидati*. Eye-teeth; the four which immediately adjoin the incisors. See *Dens*.

**CANINUS** (*canis*, a dog). A name given to the *levator anguli oris*, from its arising above the canini, or dog-teeth. Compare *Incisivus*.

[**CANNA**. *Canna starch*. A secula recently introduced from the West Indies under the French name of "Tous les mois."]

**CANNABIS SATIVA** (*kinnab*, Arabic). *Cannabis Indica* (?). Common Hemp, an *Urticaceous* plant, the leaves of which furnish an intoxicating drug, under the names of *bang* or *ganga* in India, *kinnab* or *kashish* in Arabia, *malach* in Turkey, and *dacha* among the Hottentots.

1. *Cherris*. A concreted resinous exudation from the leaves, slender stems, and flowers.

2. *Gunjah*. The dried hemp-plant which has flowered, and from which the resin has not been removed.

3. *Bang*, *subjee*, or *sidhee*. This consists of the larger leaves and capsules without the stalks.

**CANTHARIS VESICATORIA** (*κανθαρίς*, a beetle). The Blister Beetle or Spanish Fly, a coleopterous insect, found on species of *Oleaceæ* and *Caprifoliaceæ*, but rare in England.

**Cantharidin**. A crystalline substance procured from the above insect, and existing probably in all blistering beetles; 1000 parts of cantharides yield four parts of pure cantharidin.

**CANTHUS** (*κανθός*). The angle of the eye, where the eyelids meet; the *inner canthus* is that nearest to the nose; the other is called the *outer* or lesser canthus.

**CANTON'S PHOSPHORUS**. A substance made by exposing calcined oyster-shells and sulphur to a red heat. On exposure to light, it acquires the property of shining in the dark.

**CAN'ULA** (dim. of *canna*, a reed). A small tube, generally applied to that of the trochar, &c.

**CAOUTCHOUC**. Elastic gum, or Indian rubber; the concrete juice of the *Hœvea Caoutchouc*, *Iatropa Elastica*, *Ficus Indica*, and *Artocarpus Integrifolia*,

*Caoutchine*. A volatile oil produced by distillation of caoutchouc at a high temperature.

**CAPELINA** (*capeline*, Fr., a woman's hat). A double-headed roller put round the head, &c.

**CAPERS**. The pickled buds of the *Capparis spinosa*, a low shrub, growing out of the joints of old walls, and the fissures of rocks, in most of the warm parts of Europe.

**CAPHOPICRITE** (*καφέω*, to exhale, *πικρός*, bitter). The bitter principle of rhubarb, also called *rhabarberin*. But what this principle consists in, appears to be wholly undetermined. Quot homines, tot sententiæ.

**CAPILLAIRE**. A syrup made of sugar, honey, and orange-flower water. [More properly made of the *Adiantum capillus veneris*.]

**CAPILLARY** (*capillus*, a hair). Resembling a hair in size; a term applied to—

1. The *Vessels* which intervene between the minute arteries and veins.

2. A *Fissure*; capillatio; a very minute crack in the skull.

3. *Tubes*, which are so small as to be less than the twentieth of an inch in diameter in the inside.

4. The *Attraction* by which a liquid rises in a capillary tube higher than the surface of that which surrounds it.

**CAPILLUS** (*quasi capitis pilus*). The hair in general.

**CAPISTRUM** (*capio*, to take). Literally, a bridle. The single split-cloth bandage, so called from its being used to support the lower jaw like a bridle.

[**CAPITATE** (*caput*, the head). Headed; terminated by a sudden enlargement.]

**CAPITILUVIUM** (*caput*, the head, *lavo*, to wash). A bath for the head.

**CAPIVI**. A miscalled balsam, yielded by several species of *Copaifera*.

**CAPNOMOR** (*καπνός*, smoke, *μοῖρα*, part; so called from its being one of the ingredients of smoke). A colourless transparent liquid,—the only ingredient in tar which can dissolve caoutchouc. It occurs along with creosote in the heavy oil of tar.

**CAPRIC** and **CAPROIC ACIDS**. Volatile odoriferous compounds, yielded by butter on its conversion into soap.

**CAPRIFOLIACEÆ**. The Honey-suckle tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Shrubs or herbaceous plants with *leaves* opposite; *flowers* corymbose, monopetalous; *stamens* alternating with the lobes



of the corolla; ovarium inferior, many-celled; fruit indehiscent.

**CAPSICUM ANNUUM.** Common Capsicum, or Chilly; a plant of the order *Solanaceæ*, the dried fruit of which is sold under the name of *capsicum* or *chillies*.

1. *Capsicum frutescens*. The species which yields the capsules sold as *Guinia pepper*, or *bird pepper*. Their powder is *cayenne pepper*.

2. *Capsicin*. An acrid soft resin, obtained by digesting the alcoholic extract of the *Capsicum annuum* in ether, and evaporating the ethereal solution.

**CAPSULA** (dim. of *capsa*, a chest). Literally, a little chest. 1. A capsule, or bag, which encloses any part, as the *capsule of Glisson*, or the cellulo-vascular membrane which envelopes the hepatic vessels. 2. In Botany it is a dry, superior fruit, dehiscent by valves, and always proceeding from a compound ovarium.

1. *Renal capsules*. Two yellowish, triangular, and flattened bodies, lying over the kidneys in the fœtus, in which they are as large as the kidneys themselves. In the adult they are two lobes.

2. *Capsular ligament*. A loose bag which contains the synovia of the joints. This must be distinguished from the synovial membrane which produces this fluid. The latter is allied, by structure and function, to the serous membrane; the former, to the fibrous.

**CAPUT** (quòd indè, says Varro, in-itiium capiant sensus et nervi). The head. It is distinguished into the skull, or *cranium*, and the face, or *facies*.

1. *Caput coli*. The head of the colon, the cæcum, or blind intestine.

2. *Caput gallinaginis* (woodcock's head). *Veru Montanum*. A lengthened fold of mucous membrane, situated on the inferior wall or floor of the prostatic portion of the urethra.

3. *Caput mortuum* (dead head). The inert residuum of a distillation, or sublimation; a term nearly obsolete.

4. *Caput obstipum* (a stiff head). A term for torticollis, or wry-neck.

[5. *Caput succedaneum*. The œdematous swelling which forms on that part of the head of the fœtus which presents in some cases of labour, resulting from the circulation in the scalp being more or less impeded from the tightness with which the head is embraced by the vagina.]

**CARAMEL.** The name given to the black porous shining mass produced by heating sugar at a high temperature.

**CARBAZOTIC ACID** (carbon and azote). *Nitro-picric Acid*. An acid formed by the action of nitric acid on indigo.

**CARBO LIGNI.** Charcoal of wood; a species of artificial coal, consisting of half-burnt wood.

**CARBON** (*carbo*, a coal). A substance well known under the form of coal, charcoal, lamp-black, &c. In chemical language, it denotes the pure inflammable principle of charcoal; in its state of absolute purity, it constitutes the *diamond*.

1. *Carbon vapour*. The name of a hypothetical substance, for carbon has never been obtained in the insulated form of vapour. When the term is used in chemical works, it denotes the *condition of carbon as it exists in carbonic acid*.

2. *Carbon, animal*. Animal charcoal, bone charcoal, and ivory-black, are names applied to bones calcined, or converted into charcoal, in a close vessel. Animal charcoal is also prepared by calcining dried blood, horns, hoofs, clippings of hides, &c., in contact with carbonate of potash, and washing the calcined mass afterwards with water.

3. *Carbon, mineral*. A term applied to charcoal, with various proportions of earth and iron, without bitumen. It has a silky lustre, and the fibrous texture of wood. It occurs stratified with various kinds of coal.

4. *Carbonic oxide*. A colourless gas, formed when carbon is burned with a minimum of oxygen, as when coke or charcoal is burned in a close vessel with a limited draught.

5. *Carbonic acid*. A pungent and acidulous gas, produced by the combustion of carbonic oxide, or by that of charcoal in oxygen gas. This gas was termed by Black *fixed air*, from its having been found to exist, in a fixed state, in limestone, and the mild alkalies, from which it was expelled by heat and the action of acids.

6. *Carbonates*. Compounds of carbonic acid with the salifiable bases. They are composed either of one atom of acid and one of the base, or of two of acid and one of the base; the former are called *carbonates*, the latter *bi-carbonates*.

7. *Carburets*. Combinations of carbon with some metals by fusion; thus, steel is a carburet of iron. The term has also been applied to a peculiar compound of sulphur and hydrogen, the *carburet of sulphur*, also termed sulphuret of carbon, and alcohol of sulphur.



8. *Carburetted Hydrogen*. A colourless inflammable gas, abundantly formed in nature in stagnant pools, wherever vegetables are undergoing the process of putrefaction; it also forms the greater part of the gas obtained from coal. This gas was formerly called *heavy inflammable air*. See *Olefiant Gas*.

9. *Carbamide*. A compound of amide and carbonic acid—an ingredient of chloro-carbonate of ammonia. See *Amide*.

10. *Carbydrogen*. A name suggested for pyroxylic or wood spirit, which consists of one atom of hydrogen and one atom of carbon. The name consists of these two terms.

11. *Carbomethylic acid*. An acid obtained by Dumas and Peligot, by acting upon pyroxylic spirit with carbonic acid.

12. *Carbolic acid*. One of the particular products which have been isolated in the distillation of coal.

CARBUNCLE (*carbo*, a burning coal). *Anthrax*. A boil, differing from the furuncle in having no central core, and terminating in gangrene under the skin, instead of suppuration.

CARCINOMA (*καρκίνος*, a crab). The Greek term for cancer. See *Cancer*.

CARDAMOM. The name of the fruit of several species of *Elettaria* and *Amomum*.

*Ceylon Cardamoms*. The fruit of the Grain of Paradise plant of Ceylon. The term *Grains of Paradise*, as employed at present in Europe, applies to the hot acrid seeds called Malaguetta pepper, brought from Africa. *Pereira*.

CARDIA (*καρδία*, the heart). The entrance into the stomach, so called from being near the heart.

1. *Cardi-algia* (*ἄλγος*, pain). Literally, *heart-ache*; but employed to denote pain in the *stomach*, and hence synonymous with *gastralgia*, *gastrodynia*, *cardiaca passio*, &c.

2. *Carditis*. Inflammation of the *cardia* or heart.

3. *Cardiacus*. Belonging to the heart, or stomach. Hence, *Cardiacus Morbus*, a name given by the ancients to Typhus Fever; *Cardiaca Confectio*, the Aromatic Confection; and *Cardiacs*, a term for cordial medicines.

4. *Cardiogmus*. A term used by Galen and Sauvages to denote a species of aneurysm, called by some *aneurysma præcordiorum*, and by others *polypus cordis*.

CARDIAC (*καρδία*, the heart). Relating to the heart.

1. *A-cardiac*. Not having a heart, as certain defective fœtuses, the insect tribes, &c.

2. *Haplo-cardiac* (*ἁπλός*, single). Having a single heart; this is *pulmonic*, as the fish tribes, or *systemic*, as the mollusca.

3. *Diplo-cardiac* (*διπλός*, double). Having a double heart, pulmonic and systemic, as the mammalia, birds, &c.

CARICA PAPAYA. The Papaw tree, the milky juice of which contains an abundance of fibrin, resembling animal matter.

CARICÆ FRUCTUS. The preserved fruit of the Fig, or *Ficus Carica*.

CARIES (*κείρω*, to abrade). Ulceration of the bones.

CARINA. Literally, a *keel*. A term applied to the two lower petals of a papilionaceous corolla, which cohere by their lower margins in the form of a keel.

[*Carinate*. Having a carina, or keel.]

CARMINATIVES (*carmen*, a verse or charm). Remedies which dispel flatulency, and allay pain of the stomach and bowels—as by a *charm*.

CARMINE. See *Lake*.

CARNIFICATION (*caro*, *carnis*, flesh, *fito*, to become). A term improperly used to designate common *hepatization*, but applied by Laennec to that state of the lungs, in pleurisy, complicated with slight pneumonia, in which the lungs have lost the granulated surface characteristic of *hepatization*, and are converted into a substance resembling, both in appearance and consistence, *muscular flesh*, which has been beaten to make it tender. [Compare *Hepaticization*.]

CARO, CARNIS. Flesh; the fibrous substance composing muscle.

1. *Carneæ columnæ* (fleshy columns). The muscular fasciculi within the cavities of the heart.

2. *Carnivora* (*vorare*, to devour). Animals which subsist on flesh solely.

3. *Carnosa*. Fleshy animals, as the sea anemone.

[4. *Carnose*. Of a fleshy consistence.]

CAROTID (*καρῶν*, to induce sleep). The name of two large arteries of the neck; so called from an idea that tying them would induce coma. They subdivide into the *external carotid*, or artery of the head; and the *internal carotid*, or principal artery of the brain.

CAROTIN. See *Daucus Carota*.

CARPELLUM (*καρπός*, fruit). A technical term applied, in Botany, to a leaf in a particular state of modification, constituting the *pistil*. The blade of the leaf



forms the ovary; the elongated midrib, the style; and the apex of the midrib, the stigma. The edge of the carpel which corresponds to the midrib of the leaf, constitutes the *dorsal suture*; that of the united margins, the *ventral*. See *Pistil*.

**CARPHOLOGIA** (κάρφος, the nap of clothes, λέγω, to pluck). *Floccitatio*. A picking of the bed-clothes, supposed to be an indication of approaching dissolution.

**CARPOLOGY** (καρπός, fruit, λόγος, description). That branch of Botany which treats of fruits.

[**CARPO-PEDAL SPASM**. Laryngismus Stridulus; Cerebral Spasmodic Croup; Spasm of the Glottis. Thymic Asthma. A spasmodic affection occurring in young children, characterized by excessive dyspnœa, with croupy inspiration, and spasmodic contraction of the thumbs and toes.]

**CARPUS** (καρπός, the wrist). The *ossa carpi*, or carpal bones, are eight in number, and form two rows.

**CARRAGEEN**. *Irish Moss*. The *Chondrus crispus*, a nutrient Algaceous plant, employed on the coast of Ireland in making size.

*Carrageenin*. The name given by Dr. Pereira to the mucilaginous matter called by some writers *vegetable jelly*, by others *pectin*.

**CARTHAMUS TINCTORIUS**. A plant of the order *Compositæ*, the flowers of which are imported, for the use of dyers, under the name of *safflower*, or *bastard saffron*.

*Carthamin*, or *Carthamic acid*. A red colouring matter, obtained from safflower.

**CARTILAGE** (quasi *carnilago*). Gristle. It is attached to bones, and must be distinguished from the ligaments of joints and tendons of muscles.

**CARUM CARUI**. Caraway; a naturalized Umbelliferous plant, cultivated for the sake of its fruit, commonly but erroneously called *caraway seeds*. Pliny notices the plant by the name of *Careum*, from Caria, its native country.

**CARUNCULA** (dim. of *caro*, flesh). [Caruncle.] A little piece of flesh. Hence —

1. *Caruncula lacrymalis* (*lacryma*, a tear). The small red substance situated in the inner angle of the eye.

2. *Caruncula myrtiformis* (*myrtus*, a myrtle, *forma*, likeness). The granulations observed around the orifice of the vagina, from rupture of the hymen.

**CARUS** (κάρα, the head). Profound sleep; lethargy.

**CARYOPHYLLACEÆ**. The Chickweed tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants, with *leaves* opposite, and tumid nodes; *flowers* polypetalous, symmetrical; *stamens*, definite; *ovarium* one-celled, with a free central placenta; *fruit* a one-celled capsule, by obliteration of the dissepiments.

**CARYOPHYLLUS AROMATICUS**. The Clove-tree; a Myrtaceous plant, yielding the *Clove* of commerce.

1. *Caryophyllus* (κάρυον, a nut, φύλλον, a leaf). The Clove, or unexpanded flower of the above plant. The corolla forms a ball between the four teeth of the calyx, and this, with the lengthened tube of the calyx, resembles a nail, or *clou* of the French; hence the English term *clove*.

2. *Matrices caryophylli* vel *anthophylli*. Mother cloves; the fruits of the clove, crowned superiorly by the teeth of the calyx, with the remains of the style in the centre.

3. *Caryophyllin*. Clove sub-resin; a crystalline substance extracted from cloves by alcohol.

4. *Caryophyllic acid*. Eugenic acid; clove acid, or heavy oil of cloves, one of the two oils composing oil of cloves; the other is light oil, called *clove hydrocarbon*.

**CARYOPSIS** (κάρη, a head, ὄψις, likeness). A one-celled, one-seeded, superior, dry, indehiscent fruit, with the integuments of the seed cohering inseparably with the endocarp; the characteristic fruit of the Graminaceæ.

**CASCARILLÆ CORTEX**. Cascarilla bark; the produce of the *Croton Cascarilla*, or wild Rosemary bush of Jamaica. By some it is referred to the *Croton eleuteria*.

**CASEUM** (*caseus*, cheese). *Casein*. Albumen of milk; the curd separated from milk by the addition of an acid or rennet, constituting the basis of cheese in a state of purity. The liquid left after this separation is termed *serum lactis*, or whey.

*Caseous oxide*. Another name for apo-sepedine, a substance procured by the putrefaction of animal matter.

**CASSAVA**. A fecula, separated from the juice of the root of *Janipha Manihot*, and exposed to heat; a principal article of diet in South America. The same substance, differently prepared and granulated, constitutes *tapioca*.

**CASSERIAN GANGLION**. A large semilunar ganglion, formed by the fifth





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The tremula, or the shaking.

The natatalis, or the swimming.

The pyramidalis, or the conical.

The siliquata arida, or the dry-shelled.

The gypsea, or the cretaceous.

The purulent encysted, or putrid.

The trabecularis, or the barred. This is the "cataracte barrée," or bar-cataract of the French, and the "cataract with a girth or zone," of Schmidt.

II. The *spurious* are distinguished as—

The lymphatica, or lymph-cataract.

The membranacea, or membranous.

The purulenta, or spurious purulent.

The grumosa, or blood-cataract.

The dendritica, arborescent, or choroid.

The *Operations* practised for the cure of cataract, are the following:—

1. *Couching*, or *depression*; an operation described by Celsus, and consisting originally in the removal of the opaque lens out of the axis of vision, by means of a needle. See *Reclination*.

2. *Extraction*, or the removal of the opaque lens from the eye, by division of the cornea, and laceration of the capsule.

3. *Keratonyxis*, (*κέρας*, *κέρατος*, a horn. *νύσσω*, to puncture); or the operation of couching, performed by puncture of the cornea.

10. *Cata-rrhus* (*ρέω*, to flow). Literally, a flowing down; popularly, a *cold*. Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the nostrils and bronchia. It is synonymous with *coryza*, *gravedo*, &c.

11. *Cata-stagmus* (*στάζω*, to drop). A term applied by the later Greek physicians to a defluxion from the fauces and thorax.

12. *Cath-artics* (*καθαίρω*, to purge). Medicines which produce alvine evacuations. These are termed *luxative*, when mild; *purgative*, when active; and *drastic*, when very violent.

13. *Cath-artine* (*καθαίρω*, to purge). The active principle of senna.

14. *Cath-eter* (*καθίημι*, to thrust into). A tube which is introduced through the urethra into the bladder.

15. *Cath-olicon* (*ὄλος*, universal). A panacea, or universal medicine.

[CATALPA CORDIFOLIA. Catalpa or Catawba tree. The seeds are said to be useful in asthma.]

CATECHU, (*cate*, a tree, *chu*, juice). The name of a variety of astringent extracts, which are imported under the several names of *catechu*, *terra japonica*, *cutch*, and *gambir*.

1. *Square catechu*. This is used by

tanners, under the name of *terra japonica*, from its being supposed to be of mineral origin; it is produced from the leaves of the *Uncaria gambir*, and therefore is not catechu, but gambir.

2. *Pegu cutch*, or *catechu*. The produce of the *Acacia catechu*, brought from Pegu.

3. *Bengal catechu*. A pale extract, obtained also from the *Acacia catechu*; from its laminated texture, it was compared by Jussieu to the bark of a tree.

4. *Colombo catechu*. Round flat cakes procured by making an extract of the betel nut, the seed of the *Areca catechu*.

5. *Catechin*. A particular principle obtained from the portion of catechu which is insoluble in cold water.

6. *Catechuic acid*. Catechine. An acid obtained by Buchner from catechu. This acid, when treated with caustic potash, &c.; yields *japonic acid*; and, when dissolved in carbonate of potash, *rubinic acid*.

CATHARTOCARPUS (*καθαίρω*, to purge, *καρπός*, fruit). A genus of Leguminous plants, of which the species *fistula* yields the *cassia pulp* of the pharmacopœia.

CATLING. A sharp-pointed, double-edged knife, chiefly used in amputations of the fore-arm and leg, for dividing the interosseous ligaments.

CATOCHUS (*κατέχω*, to detain). A species of catalepsy, in which the body is rigidly detained in an erect posture.

[CATOPTRIC EXAMINATION OF THE EYE. A means of diagnosis founded on the property which the surfaces of the cornea and crystalline lens possess of reflecting images of a luminous body. Thus when the cornea; the crystalline lens, and its capsule, are transparent, if a lighted candle be held before the eye, three images of it may be seen: two upright, one reflected from the anterior surface of the cornea, the other from the anterior capsule of the lens; and an inverted one, reflected from the posterior capsule of the lens. An opacity of any of these reflecting surfaces destroys their reflecting property.]

CAUDA EQUINA. *Hippuris*, or horse's tail; the final division of the spinal marrow, so called from the disposition of the nerves which issue from it.

[CAUDATE (*cauda*, a tail). Tail-pointed; prolonged into a long and weak tail-like point.]

CAUDEX. The trunk of a tree. In Botany, the stem, or ascending axis of growth, is termed *caudex ascendens*; the



root, or descending axis, *caudex descendens*.

**CAUL.** The trivial appellation of the amnion when it comes away with the child in the birth.

**CAULIFLOWER EXCRESCENCE.** A disease of the os uteri; supposed by Gooch to be encephalosis.

[**CAULINE** (*caulis*, the stem). Belonging to the stem. Leaves are so called which arise directly from the stem.]

**CAUSTIC** (*καίω, καύσω*, to burn). A substance which destroys parts by chemically decomposing them. Such are the concentrated mineral acids, lunar caustic, &c.

*Causticum acerrimum.* The old name for the hydrate of potash—the strongest common caustic.

**CAUSUS** (*καίω, καύσω*, to burn). A variety of malignant remittent, thus denominated by Hippocrates from its extreme heat, &c. It has been termed by later writers *febris ardens*, ardent or burning remittent.

*Causus endemial.* A name given to the yellow fever of the West Indies.

**CAUTERY** (*καίω, καύσω*, to burn). The application of caustics. By the term *actual cautery* is meant the white-hot iron; *potential cautery* is synonymous with caustic.

*Cautérisation objective.* The employment, by the French, of radiant heat from a red-hot iron or burning coal, as a cautery to check hæmorrhages, and to promote the reduction of prolapsus of the rectum and uterus, and of hernia.

**CAVERNOUS** (*caverna*, from *cavus*, hollow). The name of a ganglion in the head, and of two sinuses of the sphenoid bone. [See *Corpus*.]

[*Cavernous Respiration.* See *Auscultation*.]

**CAVITARIA** (*cavitas*, a cavity). Intestinal worms which have cavities or stomachs.

**CAWK.** The *Sulphas Barytæ*, or vitriolated heavy spar.

**CAYENNE PEPPER.** The ground seeds of the *Capsicum frutescens*.

[**CEANOOTHUS AMERICANUS.** New Jersey Tea. Red-root. A small shrub, of the order *Rhamnaceæ*, the root of which is astringent, and said to be useful in syphilitic complaints. The infusion is an exceedingly useful application in aphthous affections, in crusta lactea, in the sore throat of scarlatina, &c., and also as an internal remedy in dysentery.]

**CEBADILLA.** The seeds of the *Asagraea officinalis*, a plant of the order *Me-*

*lanthaceæ*. The seeds are also called *sabadilla* and *cevadilla*; but more properly *cebadilla* (from the Spanish *cebada*, barley), on account of the supposed resemblance of the inflorescence of the plant to that of *Hordeum*.—*Pereira*.

1. *Cevadic* or *sabadillic acid*. A crystalline, fatty acid, obtained by saponification of the oil of *cebadilla*.

2. *Sabadillina*. A substance obtained from *cebadilla* seeds, said to be merely a compound of resinic acid of soda and resinic acid of veratria.

**CEDRINET.** A substance found among the products of the distillation of wood.

**CELESTINE** (*cælum*, the sky). Sulphate of strontian, so named from its frequently presenting a blue colour.

**CELLULA** (dim. of *cella*). A little cell or cavity, as those of the *hyaloid membrane*.

1. *Cellular*. The designation of the structure of the mastoid process, of the lungs, &c.; also, of one of the elementary tissues of plants.

2. *Cellular membrane*, or tissue. The filmy meshes which connect the minute component parts of most of the structures of the body.

3. *Cellulares*. Cellular plants; those which have no flowers or spiral vessels; they are also called Cryptogamous, and Acotyledonous plants. Compare *Vasculares*.

**CEMENT.** A preparation made of various materials, which is applied in a soft state, and afterwards hardens and unites the surfaces to which it is applied.

**CEMENTATION.** A process by which the properties of a body are changed, on being surrounded with the powder of other bodies, and exposed to a high temperature, as the conversion of iron into steel, by cementation with charcoal. The substance so employed is called *cement powder*.

[**CENTAUREA BENEDICTA.** Blessed Thistle. A plant of the natural order *Compositæ*, which has been employed as a tonic, diaphoretic, and emetic.]

**CENTAURII CACUMINI.** The flowering tops of the *Erythræa centaureum*, or Common [European] Centaury. The name is derived from Chiron the Centaur, whose wound is said to have been cured by it.

[**CENTAURY, AMERICAN.** The herb of *Sabbatia angularis*.]

[**CENTIGRAMME.** The hundredth



part of a gramme, a French measure, equal to 0.1544 gr. Troy.]

[CENTILITRE. The hundredth part of a litre, a French measure, equal to 2.7053 fluid drachms.]

[CENTIMETRE. The hundredth part of a metre, a French measure, equal to 0.3937 inch.]

[CENTRIFUGAL (*centrum*, centre, *fugio*, to fly). Leaving the centre. In Botany this term is applied to inflorescences in which the central flowers open first.]

[CENTRIPETAL (*centrum*, centre, *peto*, to seek). Approaching the centre. In Botany it is applied to inflorescences in which the marginal flowers open first.]

CENTRUM (*κεντέω*, to prick). The centre or middle point of any part.

1. *Centrum ovale majus*. The appearance of a large centre of white substance surrounded by a thin stratum of gray, presented when both hemispheres of the brain are cut down nearly to a level with the corpus callosum.

2. *Centrum ovale minus*. The appearance of a centre of white substance, surrounded by a narrow border of gray, observed on removing the upper part of one hemisphere of the brain.

3. *Centrum tendinosum*. The tendinous centre of the diaphragm.

CEPHALE' (*κεφαλή*). The head. Its compounds are—

1. *Cephalalgia* (*ἄλγος*, pain). *Cephalæa*. Pain in the head; headache.

2. *Cephalic Vein*. The anterior vein of the arm; formerly opened in disorders of the head.

3. *Cephalics*. Remedies for disorders of the head.

4. *Cephalitis*. Inflammation of the brain.

5. *Cephalodyne* (*ἰδύνη*, pain). Headache; pain in the head.

6. *Cephaloma*. Medullary tumour; a morbid product, resembling brain, sometimes called encephaloid or cerebriform tumour, medullary sarcoma, fungus hæmatodes, &c.

7. *Cephalogenesis* (*γένεσις*, creation). The doctrine of the formation of the brain.

8. *Cephalo-pharyngeus*. A designation of the constrictor superior muscle, from its arising from the base of the skull.

9. *Cephalæmatoma* (*αἷμα*, blood). Sanguineous tumour of the head, forming spontaneously, and sometimes called *abscessus capitis sanguineus neonatorum*.

10. *Cephalopoda* (*ποῦς*, *ποδός*, a foot). The fifth class of the *Cyclo-gangliata*, or

Mollusca, consisting of aquatic animals, with feet disposed around their head.

[11. *Cephalotribe* (*τριβω*, to crush). A strong forceps invented by Baudelocque the nephew, for crushing the foetal head.]

CERA. Wax; a resinous substance secreted from the ventral scales of the *Apis mellifica*, or Honey-bee; also a product of vegetables, as of the *Myrica cerifera*, the Wax Myrtle, or Bayberry. Bees-wax is distinguished into the *white*, bleached, or virgin wax; and the *yellow* or unbleached wax.

1. *Cerine*. One of the constituents of wax, forming at least 70 per cent. of it. The other constituent is *myricine*. Recently it has been stated that wax is homogeneous, that it possesses the properties of myricine, and that the difference between these two substances is owing to the presence of *ceric acid*, formed by the oxidation of myricine.

2. *Ceric acid*. An acid produced by the action of the fixed alkalies on wax.

CERASIN. A substance contained in the gum exuded from the bark of the *Prunus Cerasus*, or Cherry-tree.

CERASUS LAURO-CERASUS. Common or Cherry-laurel; a Rosaceous plant, the leaves of which are employed for preparing the *cherry-laurel water*.

CERATO-GLOSSUS (*κέρας*, a horn, *γλῶσσα*, the tongue). A muscle running from one of the cornua of the os hyoides to the tongue. See *Hyo-glossus*.

CERATOTOME (*κέρας*, a horn, *τομή*, section). The name given by Wenzel to the knife with which he divided the cornea.

CERATUM (*cera*, wax). A cerate, or composition of wax, &c., characterized by a consistence intermediate between that of plasters and that of ointments.

[1. *C. Cantharidis*. Ph. U. S. Blistering Plaster. Yellow wax, resin, and lard, of each ℥viiij.; melt together, and add of finely powdered Spanish flies ℥j., and stir constantly until cold.

[2. *C. Cetacei*. Ph. U. S. Spermaceti Cerate. Spermaceti, ℥j., white wax, ℥iij.; melt together, then add of oil previously heated, f℥vj. An emollient dressing to sores.

[3. *C. Hydrargyri compositum*. Ph. U. S. Compound cerate of Mercury. Strong mercurial ointment, soap cerate, each ℥iv., camphor, ℥j.; mix. A discutient application to indolent tumours.

[4. *C. Plumbi subacetatis*. Ph. U. S. Cerate of subacetate of lead, Goulard's cerate. To melted white wax ℥iv., add olive oil, ℥viiij.; mix, and remove from



the fire; when it begins to thicken, add subacetate of lead, ℥iiss.; mix with a wooden spatula till it becomes cool, and then add camphor, ℥ss., previously dissolved in one ounce of olive oil. Used to dry up excoriations, relieve the inflammation of burns, scalds, &c.

[5. *C. Resinæ*. Ph. U. S. Basilicon Ointment. Resin, ℥v., lard, ℥viiij., yellow wax, ℥ij.; melt together, and strain through linen. A gently stimulating application, used to blistered surfaces, indolent ulcers, burns, &c.

[6. *C. Resinæ compositum*. Ph. U. S. Compound Resin Cerate, Deshler's salve. Resin, suet, yellow wax, āā ℥j., turpentine, ℥ss., flax-seed oil, Oss.; melt together, and strain through linen. A stimulating application, used for indolent ulcers, &c.

[7. *C. Sabinæ*. Ph. U. S. Savine Cerate. Powdered savine, ℥ij., resin cerate, ℥j.; mix. A stimulating application, used to keep up the discharge from blisters, setons, &c.

[8. *C. Saponis*. Ph. U. S. Soap Cerate. Solution of subacetate of lead, Oij., soap, ℥vj.; boil together over a slow fire to the consistence of honey, then transfer to a water bath and evaporate all the moisture; lastly, add white wax, ℥x., previously melted in olive oil, Oj. A mild cooling dressing for scrofulous swellings and other local inflammations, &c.

[9. *C. Simplex*. Ph. U. S. Simple Cerate. Lard, ℥viiij., white wax, ℥iv.; melt, and stir till cold. A mild and cooling dressing for inflamed surfaces.

[10. *C. Zinci carbonatis*. Ph. U. S. Cerate of Calamine. Turner's Cerate. Yellow wax, ℥ss., lard, ℥ij.; melt together; when, on cooling, they begin to thicken, add prepared carbonate of zinc, ℥ss., and stir till cool. A mild astringent, used in excoriations, burns, &c.]

[KERATOCELE (*κερας*, a horn, *κηλη*, a tumour). Protrusion of the membrane of the aqueous humour through an opening in the cornea.]

CERCHNUS. Wheezing; a dense and impeded sound, produced below the larynx; a symptom common to asthma and dyspnœa.

CERĒALIA (feasts dedicated to *Ceres*). All sorts of corn, of which bread or any nutritious substance is made.

CEREBELLUM (dim. of *cerebrum*). The little brain; the postero-inferior part of the encephalon, situated behind the larger brain, or cerebrum.

CEREBRUM (*κάρη*, the head). The brain; the chief portion of the brain, oc-

cupying the whole upper cavity of the skull.

1. *Cerebritis*. Encephalitis; inflammation of the cerebrum.

2. *Cerebric acid*. One of the peculiar acids found in the fatty matter of the brain. The other acid is termed the *oleophosphoric*.

[3. *Cerebro-spinal fluid*. The fluid existing beneath the arachnoid membrane of the brain and spinal cord.]

4. *Cerebro-spinants*. Another name for narcotics, from their affecting the functions of the cerebro-spinal system.

CEREVISIA (quasi *ceresia*, from *Ceres*, corn). Malt liquor; beer and ale; a fermented decoction of malt and hops. Theophrastus termed it *wine of barley*.

1. *Cerevisiæ fermentum*. Yeast, or barm; a substance procured from wort during fermentation, partly as a scum, partly as a sediment. It consists of vesicles, capable of generating other vesicles, and regarded by Turpin as a new plant, which he called *torula cerevisiæ*. Thus, fermentation is an effect of vitality.

2. *Cerevisia abietis*. Spruce beer; made from essence of spruce, pimento, ginger, hops, yeast, molasses, and water.

CERIN. A peculiar substance which precipitates, on evaporation, from alcohol which has been digested on grated cork. *Subercerin* would have been a fitter name.

CERIUM. A white metal found in a Swedish mineral called *cerite*, and more recently in *allanite*.

[CERNUOUS (*cernuus*, hanging down). Drooping; inclining from the perpendicular towards the horizon.]

CEROMA (*κηρός*, wax). The name given by Dr. Craigie to adipose tumour of the brain, from its *waxy* appearance. By Andral it is termed *fatty production*; by Hebreart, *lardaceous degeneration*.

CERULIN (*ceruleus*, blue). The name given to indigo in the modified state which it acquires during solution.

CERUMEN (*cera*, wax). *Cera*. *Aurium sordes*. The waxy secretion of the ear, furnished by the *cerumenous glands*.

CERUSSA. Ceruse, or carbonate of lead; [magistery of lead] the *white-lead* of painters, used by them to give the property called *body*.

*Cerussa Acetata*. Sugar of lead, *Saccharum Saturni*; the super-acetate of lead.

CERVICAL (*cervix*, the neck). A pillow or bolster. *Celsus*. [Belonging to the neck.]

CERVIX. The neck; the hinder part of the neck; the forepart is called *collum*.



The term *cervix* is also applied to the neck of the bladder and of the uterus.

**CERVUS ELAPHUS.** The stag, or hart, from the horns and hoofs of which the hartshorn shavings are procured.

**CETACEA** (*cete*, a whale). Whale-like animals, as the dolphin, dugong, &c.

1. *Cetaceum*. Spermaceti; a peculiar modification of fatty matter, obtained from the *Physeter macrocephalus*, or Spermaceti Whale.

2. *Cetic acid*. An acid procured from spermaceti, consisting of margarine and fatty matter.

3. *Cetine*. A white laminated substance, constituting pure spermaceti. The commercial spermaceti, or *cetaceum*, usually contains a little sperm oil.

4. *Cetyl*. The supposed radical of a new series of compounds derived from spermaceti. *Cetene* is one of these, and is procured by distilling ethal with glacial phosphoric acid. See *Ethal*.

**CETRARIA ISLANDICA.** *Lichen Islandicus*. Iceland Liverwort, or Moss; a lichen employed as an aliment.

**CEVADIC ACID.** An acid produced by the saponification of the oil of the *Veratrum sabadilla*. It is also called *sabadillic acid*.

**CEYLON MOSS.** The *Fucus amyloceus*, a Cryptogamic plant, of the order *Algæ*, lately introduced as a substitute for farinaceous foods.

**CHABERT'S OIL.** An oil prepared by mixing three parts of oil of turpentine with one part of Dippel's oil, and distilling three parts.

**CHALASIS** (*χάλαζα*, a small swelling). The name given by Sauvages to the porcine species of scrofula; the equine species he denominated scrofula *farcimen*.

**CHALAZA** (*χάλαζα*, a small swelling). A small brown spot observed at the apex of some seeds, as of the orange, formed by the union of certain vessels proceeding from the hilum.

**CHALAZIUM** (*χάλαζα*, a hailstone). *Chalazion*. An indurated tumour of undefined margin, occupying the edge of the lid. It is called, in Latin, *grando*; and, from its being supposed to be the indurated remains of a sty, it has been termed *hordeolum induratum*.

**CHALCANTHUM** (*χαλκός*, brass, *ἄρθος*, a flower). The flowers of brass, or the *Sulphas Zinci*. Pliny's term for copperas.

**CHALK.** *Creta*. Carbonate of lime; a common species of calcareous earth.

1. *Black chalk*. Drawing slate; a

bluish-black clay, containing about 12 per cent. of carbon.

2. *Red chalk*. A species of argillaceous iron-stone ore.

3. *Spanish chalk*. Steatite or soap rock.

**CHALK-STONES.** Gouty concretions, found in the joints, consisting of urate of soda and phosphate of lime.

**CHALYBEATE WATERS.** *Ferruginous waters*. Mineral waters, whose predominating or active principle is iron. There are two kinds; the *carbonated*, containing carbonate of the protoxide of iron; and the *sulphated*, containing sulphate of iron. Some of the latter contain sulphate of alumina, and are called *aluminous sulphated chalybeates*.

**CHALYBS** (*Chalybes*, a people who dug iron out of the earth). A kind of hard iron, or steel. Hence the term *chalybeate* is applied to waters which are impregnated with iron or steel.

*Chalybis rubigo*. Rust of iron; the prepared subcarbonate of iron.

**CHAMELEON MINERAL.** A combination of black oxide of manganese and potash, which gives a green colour to water, passes gradually through all the shades of the prism, and at last becomes colourless.

**CHAMOMILE FLOWERS.** The floral heads of the *Anthemis nobilis*, an indigenous Composite plant. The *single flowers* have the largest yellow discs, in which the volatile oil resides; the *double flowers*, in which the yellow tubular florets of the disc are more or less converted into white ligulate florets, contain less of this oil; the former are, therefore, to be preferred.

**CHANCRE** (Fr. *carcinos*, cancer). A sore which arises from the direct application of the syphilitic poison.

**CHANDOO.** An extract of opium, prepared by the Chinese for smoking.

**CHARA HISPIDA.** A submersed leafless aquatic plant, interesting to the physiologist as displaying the special circulation in plants, and as being analogous in botany to the frog in zoology.

**CHARCOAL.** *Carbo Ligni*. The residue of animal, vegetable, and many mineral substances, when heated to redness in close vessels. There are several varieties of charcoal, termed gas-carbon, lamp-black, wood-charcoal, coke, and ivory-black.

**CHARPIE** (*carpo*, to scrape). The French term for scraped linen, or lint.

**CHARTREUX, POUDRE DE.** The Kermes mineral; a term invented by some Carthusian friars.



**CHAY, or CHAYA ROOT.** The root of the *Oldenlandia umbellata*, used for giving the beautiful red of the Madras cottons.

**CHEESE.** *Caseus.* The curd of milk separated from the whey, pressed or hardened, and coloured with annatto, one ounce of which will colour a hundred weight of cheese.

1. *Gouda cheese* is made in Holland; muriatic acid is used in curdling the milk instead of rennet; this renders it pungent and preserves it from mites.

2. *Parmesan cheese*, so called from Parma in Italy, is merely a *skim-milk* cheese, owing its flavour to the fine herbage of the meadows along the Po, where the cows feed.

3. *Gruyère cheese*, so named from a place in Fribourg, is made of skimmed, or partially skimmed milk, and flavoured with herbs.

**CHELIDONIUM MAJUS.** The Greater Celandine; a Papaveraceous herb, the yellow juice of which has been employed as an escharotic to destroy warts.

**CHELOIDE** (χέλυς, a tortoise, εἶδος, likeness). *Cancroide.* A designation of a disease of the skin, described under this name by Alibert, from its presenting a flattish raised patch of integument, resembling a tortoise's shell.

[**CHEILOPLASTICE** (κειλος, a lip, πλαστικός, forming). Operation for forming an artificial lip.]

**CHELONIA** (χελώνη, a tortoise). The Tortoise tribe: the first order of the class *Reptilia*.

**CHEMISTRY.** A term, of Arabic origin, signifying the knowledge of the composition of bodies, and of the changes of constitution produced by their mutual action on each other.

**CHEMOSIS** (χαίνω, to gape). An affection in which the conjunctiva is elevated above the transparent cornea.

**CHELSEA PENSIONER.** A nostrum for the rheumatism, said to be the prescription of a Chelsea pensioner, by which Lord Amherst was cured. Gum guaiac., ℥j.; rhubarb, ℥ij.; cream of tartar, ℥j.; flowers of sulphur, ℥j.; one nutmeg; clarified honey, one pound. Two large spoonfuls to be taken night and morning.

**CHELTENHAM SALTS.** Sulphate of soda, grs. 120; sulphate of magnesia, grs. 66; muriate of soda, grs. 10; sulphate of iron, gr. ½, triturated together.

1. "*Efflorescence of Real Cheltenham*

*Salts.*" The preceding salt deprived of its water of crystallization.

2. "*Efflorescence of the real Magnesian Cheltenham Salts,*" made from the waters of the *Chalybeate Magnesian Spa*. Epsom salt, with small portions of magnesia, and muriate of magnesia, or muriate of soda.

3. *Murio-Sulphate of Magnesia and Iron.* A preparation so named by Mr. Thomson, and consisting of Epsom salt deprived of a part of its water of crystallization, and discoloured by a little rust of iron, and containing a small portion of muriate of magnesia.

4. "*Original Combined Cheltenham Salts.*" The waters of the Spa evaporated to dryness.

[**CHENOPODIUM.** Ph. U. S. Wormseed. The fruit of *Chenopodium anthelminticum*. A very efficient indigenous anthelmintic. The seeds and the expressed oil are both given.]

**CHENOPODIUM OLIDUM.** A plant of the Goosefoot tribe, remarkable for exhaling uncombined ammonia.

**CHEST.** *Thorax.* An old English term, commonly traced to the Latin *cista* and Greek *κίστη*, which are of the same import. "When it is considered that the same word was anciently used for a *basket*, the appropriation of it to the human thorax will appear quite natural to any one who has ever seen a skeleton." *Forbes.*

**CHEVASTER, or CHEVESTRE** (*capistrum*, a halter). A double roller, applied to the head in cases of fracture, or luxation of the lower jaw.

**CHEWING BALLS.** Masticatories used in farriery, composed of the wood of the bay and juniper trees, assafoetida, liver of antimony, and pellitory of Spain.

**CHIASMA.** The point of decussation of the optic nerves.

**CHIASTRE.** A bandage for stopping hæmorrhage from the temporal artery, and named from its being shaped like a cross, or the Greek letter X, *chi*.

**CHICKEN POX.** The popular name of a species of *Varicella*.

**CHIGRE, or CHIQUE.** *Chirones.* A small sand-flea of the West Indies, which insinuates itself into the soft and tender parts of the fingers and toes.

**CHILBLAIN.** *Pernio.* An inflammation of the extreme parts of the body, from exposure to cold.

**CHILD-BED FEVER.** Puerperal fever, and often called *peritonæal fever*.

**CHILLIES.** Long taper pods of the *Capsicum annuum*. Cayenne pepper con-



sists of the dried and ground seeds of *Capsicum frutescens*.

**CHIMAPHILA UMBELLATA.** A plant known by the names of Winter Green and Pipsisewa, and reputed as a specific against scrofula. [It has tonic, diuretic, and diaphoretic properties.]

**CHIMNEY-SWEEPERS' CANCER.** A popular name of the Cancer Scroti, or Munditorum, or soot-wart.

**CHINA-CLAY.** *Kaolin*. [q. v.]

**CHINA GLAZE.** A preparation for printing blue frit, made from ten parts of glass, two parts of lead, and three or more of blue calx.

**CHINA NOVA.** The name given in Germany to the red bark, known in France as *Quinquina nova*; it is the produce of the *Cinchona oblongifolia*. It is very different from the red bark of English commerce, though they have been confounded together by the London College. *Pharm. Journ.*

*Chinova bitter.* A snow-white substance, of acid properties, obtained by operating on *china nova*.

**CHINA ROOT.** *Radix Chinæ Orientalis*. The produce of the *Smilax China*, said to be brought from the province of Onansi in China.

*American China Root.* *Radix Chinæ Americanæ*. Said to be the produce of *Smilax pseudo-China*, brought from Mexico.

**CHINCOUGH.** Probably a corruption of *chinecough*. See *Pertussis*.

**CHIRAGRA** (*χείρ*, the hand, *ἄγρα*, seizure). Gout of the hand.

**CHIRAYTA.** An intensely bitter substance, procured from the *Agathotes Chirayta*, a plant of the order *Gentianaceæ*, and closely allied to *Gentian*. The substance sold as *sulphate of chiraytine* is sulphate of quina.

**CHIRURGIA** (*χείρ*, the hand, *ἔργον*, work). Operation by means of the hand, commonly called *chirurgery*, or *surgery*.

**CHITINE.** A chemical principle discovered by M. Odier in the wings and elytra of coleopterous insects. It is obtained by plunging beetles, &c., in a hot solution of potass, which dissolves all but the chitine. It is also called *entomoline*.

**CHLOASMA** (*χλόη*, grass). *Chloasma pseudo-porrigo*. A designation of the *Pityriasis versicolor*, or chequered dandriff. It has been called *maculæ hepaticæ*, or liver-spots, from an opinion that it originated in disease of the liver.

**CHLORINE** (*χλωρὸς*, green). A greenish gas, obtained by the action of muriatic acid on peroxide of manganese. It

was first described under the name of *dephlogisticated marine acid*, and was afterwards called *oxy-muriatic acid*. Its compounds, which are not acid, are called *chlorides* (or *chlorurets*), and are characterized by the same prefixes as the oxides.

1. *Aqua chlorinii*. Chlorine water; a solution of chlorine gas in water; also called *aqua oxymuriata*, or liquid oxy-muriatic acid.

2. *Chlorates*. The salts of chloric acid, formerly called *hyper oxymuriates*. The principal are those of potash and baryta.

3. *Chloracetic acid*. A remarkable acid, in which the three atoms of the hydrogen of acetic acid are replaced by three atoms of chlorine.

4. *Chloral*. This term, derived from the first syllable of the words *chlorine* and *alcohol*, has been applied by Liebig to a new compound of chlorine, carbon, and oxygen, prepared by the mutual action of alcohol and chlorine.

5. *Chloriodic acid*. The name given, from its acid properties, to a compound of chlorine and iodine. Gay-Lussac calls it *chloride of iodine*.

6. *Chlorimetry*. The process of estimating the bleaching power of chloride of lime, by the quantity of a solution of sulphate of indigo which a known weight of chloride can discolour or render yellow.

7. *Chloroid*. A term applied, on the electrical hypothesis, to the negative pole, from its exhibiting the attraction which is characteristic of chlorine. The positive pole is termed the *Zincoïd*.

8. *Chlorydric acid*. The name given by Thenard to muriatic, now called hydrochloric acid.

9. *Chloric ether*. Under this name two compounds have been confounded. One of these results from the action of chlorine on olefiant gas, and is generally known as the *oil of the Dutch chemists*. The other is obtained by passing hydrochloric acid gas into alcohol to saturation, and distilling the product; this is generally called *hydrochloric ether*.

10. *Chloretherise*. A substance obtained by Laurent by passing chlorine through Dutch liquor, in Liebig's apparatus.

[**CHLOROFORME.** A very dense, transparent, limpid liquid, obtained by the distillation of alcohol and the chloruret of lime dissolved in water. It has a saccharine, slightly alcoholic savour, very analogous to that of ethers. It is said to possess antispasmodic properties, and to present considerable analogy of composition and action with the ethers.]





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*tyrbe: St. Vitus' Dance.* Convulsive motions of the limbs, as of a person dancing.

**CHORION** (*χωρίον*, a domicile). The external membrane of the fœtus.

*Choroid* (*εἶδος*, likeness). Resembling the chorion; a term applied to the *plexus* and *web* of the *pia mater*, to the inner tunic of the eye, &c.

**CHORIUM** (*χόριον*, skin, leather). The dermis, or innermost layer of the skin.

**CHREME.** A preparation of real cream, or an imitation of it, with fruits and flavoured substances.

**CHROMIUM** (*χρῶμα*, colour). A metal, so called from its remarkable tendency to form *coloured* compounds. The emerald and the ruby owe their colours to the presence of this element.

1. *Chrome iron.* The ore from which the compounds of chromium, used in the arts, are derived.

2. *Chrome alum.* A crystallizable double salt formed of the sulphates of chromium and of potash.

3. *Chrome yellow.* This well-known pigment is the chromate of lead.

**CHROMULE** (*χρῶμα*, colour). The name of the colouring matter of plants. It has been incorrectly termed *chlorophylle*.

**CHRONIC** (*χρόνος*, time). Long-continued, as applied to diseases of long-standing, and opposed to *acute*.

[**CHRUPSIA** (*χροα*, colour, *ὄψις*, light). Coloured vision.]

[**CHRYSEN** (*χρυσός*, gold). A yellow crystalline substance obtained from pitch, by distillation at a high temperature, by M. Laurent.]

**CHRYSOS** (*χρυσός*). Gold. Hence,

1. *Chryso-balanus*, (*βάλανος*, an acorn). The Nutmeg, or the *Myristicæ Nuclei*.

2. *Chryso-beryl.* A gem of a pale yellow or green colour, consisting of glucina and alumina.

3. *Chryso-colla* (*κόλλα*, glue). Golden glue. The Greek name for borax. But it does not appear that borax was known to the ancients, their *chrysocolla* being a very different substance, composed of the rust of copper, triturated with urine. *Ure*.

4. *Chryso-lite* (*λίθος*, a stone). Formerly, a general name for precious stones; now restricted to a stone termed by the French *peridot*.

5. *Chryso-melia* (*μῆλον*, an apple). The Seville Orange, or the *Aurantii Bacca*.

6. *Chryso-prasus* (*πράσον*, a leek). A green stone with a golden lustre.

[**CHULARIOSE** (*χυλαριον*, syrup). A

name given by Soubeiran to uncrystallizable sugar.]

**CHURRUS.** A resinous extract of Indian Hemp, prepared in Central India. A finer variety is sold in Nipal, and termed *momeea*, or waxen churrus.

**CHYAZIC.** A term derived from the initials of carbon, hydrogen, and azote, and applied to an acid.

**CHYLE** (*χυλός*, juice). The milk-like fluid absorbed by the lacteal vessels.

1. *Chyli-fication* (*φιο*, to become). The process by which the chyle is separated from the chyme.

2. *Chylo-poietic* (*ποιέω*, to make). A term applied to the viscera and vessels which are connected with the formation of chyle.

**CHYME** (*χυμός*, juice). The semi-fluid matter which passes from the stomach into the duodenum.

*Chymi-fication* (*φιο*, to become). The process by which the aliment is converted into chyme.

**CICATRIX** (a scar). The mark left after the healing of a wound or ulcer.

*Cicatrization.* The process by which wounds and sores heal.

**CICHORIUM INTYBUS.** Wild Succory, Chicory, or Wild Endive; a Composite plant, the root of which is used in France as a substitute for coffee.

**CICUTA VIROSA.** Water Cowbane; a poisonous plant of the order *Umbelliferae*, supposed by Haller to be the *conium* of the Greeks.

[**CICUTA MACULATA.** American Water Hemlock. An American species closely analogous to the preceding in botanical character and in its action on the system.]

[**CICUTINE.** A synonym of *Conia*.]

**CILIUM** (*cileo*, to twinkle). The eyelash, or eyelid. *Cilia* are also microscopic hairs, of a vibratile nature, abundant in the lowest forms of animals.

1. *Ciliary.* The name of arteries, processes, follicles (Meibomian glands), &c., belonging to the eyelids.

2. *Ciliaris musculus.* The name by which Riolan distinguished those fibres of the orbicularis palpebrarum, which are next to the tarsus or cartilaginous circle of the eyelids.

3. *Ciliary circle or ligament.* *Orbiculus ciliaris.* A kind of grayish ring, situated between the choroid membrane, the iris, and the sclerotica.

4. *Ciliary processes.* Small vasculo-membranous bodies surrounding the crystalline lens in a radiating form.

5. *Ciliary body.* The name of the ring



which results from the union of the ciliary processes.

[6. *Ciliated*. Fringed with hairs, like an eyelash.]

CIMICIC ACID (*cimex*, a bug). An acid procured from the bug by Thenard.

[CIMICIFUGA RACEMOSA. *Actæa racemosa*, Willd. Black Snakeroot. A plant of the order *Ranunculaceæ*, indigenous in the United States, possessing tonic, antispasmodic, and expectorant properties. It has been used with marked success in the treatment of chorea, in the dose of a teaspoonful three times a day.]

CIMOLITE. *Cimolian earth*. A substance lately brought from Argentiera, the ancient Cimolus, consisting apparently of silex, alumina, oxide of iron, and water.

CINCHONA. A genus of plants, several species of which yield Peruvian Bark. The terms *Cinchona Bark* and *Countess's Powder* are derived from the circumstance that the Countess of Chinchon, wife of the Viceroy of Peru, brought some bark to Europe from South America, in 1639. Soon afterwards, the Jesuits, and particularly Cardinal de Lugo, carried it to Rome, and hence it was called *Jesuits' bark*, *Jesuits' powder*, *Pulvis Cardinalis de Lugo*, *Pulvis Patrum*, &c. It was subsequently employed in France by Sir Robert Talbor, and was hence called *Talbor's powder*, or the *English remedy*.

1. *Pale Barks*. These are the *crow* or *Loxa* bark, the produce of *Cinchona condaminea*; the *silver, gray*, or *Huanuco* bark, the produce of the *Cinchona micranthra*; the *ash* and the *white Loxa* barks of species unknown.

2. *Yellow Barks*. These are the *yellow* bark, the produce of *Cinchona lanceolata* chiefly, also *C. hirsuta*, and *nitida*; the *Calisaya*, the produce of *Cinchona lanceolata?*; the *Carthagena*, of *Cinchona cordifolia?*; and the *Cusco*, of a species unknown.

3. *Red Barks*. These are the *red Cinchona bark of Lima*, of a species unknown; and the *Cinchona nova*, the produce of *Cinchona magnifolia*.

4. *Brown Bark*. This is the *Huamalies* bark, the produce of *Cinchona purpurea*. *Lindley*.

5. *Barks falsely called Cinchonas*. Barks which are not obtained from any species of *Cinchona*, and not known to contain quina, cinchonia, or aricina. The principal of these are the *St. Lucia* bark, the *Caribæan* or *Jamaica* bark, the *Peruvian* (false) *Cinchona*, the *Brazilian Cinchona*, the *Pitaya Cinchona*, and the *Rio Janeiro* bark.

6. *Cinchonic, kinic, or quinic acid*. An acid found in the *Cinchona* barks, and also in the alburnum of *Abies communis*. When heated in close vessels, it is decomposed, and *pyrokinic* acid is formed.

7. *Kinovic acid*. A brilliant white light substance, discovered in *Cinchona nova*.

8. *Red Cinchonic*. An insoluble red colouring matter found in *Cinchona* barks, supposed by Berzelius to be a product of tannin altered by the air.

9. *Cinchona alkalies*. These are *cinchonia*, *quina*, and *aricina*. They may be regarded as oxides of a common base which has been termed *quinogen*. According to this view, *cinchonia* is a monoxide, *quina* a binoxide, and *aricina* a teroxide. *Pereira*.

CINCHONACEÆ. The *Cinchona* tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs, with *leaves* opposite; *flowers* in panicles; *stamens* arising from the corolla; *fruit* inferior, either splitting into two cocci or indehiscent.

CINCINNUS. The hair on the temples. Compare *Capillus*.

CINERES CLAVELLATI (*clavus*, a wedge). *Russici*. Pearl-ash, or the *Potassa impura*. The name is derived from the little wedges or billets into which the wood was cut to make potash.

CINERITIOUS (*cineres*, ashes). Ash-coloured; a term applied to the exterior or cortical part of the brain.

*Cinertious tubercle*. The floor of the third ventricle of the brain.

CINNABAR. A sulphuret of mercury. It is native and factitious; the former is called "ore of mercury;" the latter is the red bisulphuret.

CINNAMIC ACID. An acid procured from the oil of cinnamon. Its hypothetical base is called *cinnamule*.

CINNAMOMUM (*kinnan*, Hebr.) A genus of plants of the order *Lauraceæ*.

1. *Cinnamomum Zeylanicum*. The Cinnamon plant, which yields the true Ceylon cinnamon; the *Laurus cassia* of the gardens.

2. *Cinnamomum Cassia*. The cinnamon Cassia, which yields the *cassia lignea*, or cassia bark, and the cassia buds of commerce.

CINNAMON SUET. A production of the Cinnamon tree, used in Ceylon for making candles. According to Dr. Christison, it contains 8 per cent. of a fluid oil, not unlike olive oil; the remainder is a waxy principle, which answers very nearly to the *cerin* of John.

CIPOLIN. A green marble, with white



zones, brought from Rome; it gives fire with steel, though with difficulty.

**CIRCINATE** (*circinatus*, rounded). Rolled inwards from the point to the base, like a lock of hair, as the fronds of ferns.

**CIRCULATION** (*circulus*, a circle). The flow of the blood through the heart, the arteries, and veins. It is—

1. *Perfectly double in the adult; viz., that which takes place in the lungs, and called pulmonary; and that which takes place through the entire system, and is called systemic.*

2. *Partially double in the fœtus, the auricles communicating by the foramen ovale—the arteries, by the ductus arteriosus,—except we consider the placental circulation as analogous with the pulmonary; in fact, the blood of the fœtus is circulated through the placenta, as that of the adult is through the lungs, and for the same purpose.*

**CIRCULUS WILLISII.** Circle of Willis. This consists of the communications established between the anterior cerebral arteries in front, and the internal carotids and posterior cerebral arteries behind, by the communicating arteries.

1. *Circulus articuli vasculosus.* A term applied by W. Hunter to the appearance presented by the margin of the articular cartilages, where the blood-vessels terminate abruptly.

2. *Circulus tonsillaris.* A plexus formed by the lingual and glosso-pharyngeal nerves, around the tonsil.

**CIRCUMAGENTES** (*circumago*, to move round). A name applied to the *obliqui* muscles, from their supposed action of rolling the eye.

**CIRCUMCISION** (*circumcido*, to cut about). The removal of a circular portion of the prepuce. See *Phimosis*.

[**CIRCUMDUCTION.** See *Motion*.]

**CIRCUMFLEXUS** (*circum*, about, *flecto*, to bend). A term applied to a muscle which stretches the palate horizontally, and is hence termed *tensor palati mollis*; and to the axillary nerve.

[**CIRCUMSCISSILE** (*circumscisus*, cut round). Divided across by a transverse separation.]

**CIRRHOPODA** (*cirrhus*, frizzled hair, *ποῦς*, *ποδός*, a foot). The fourth class of the *Diploneura* or Helminthoïda, consisting of aquatic animals, with numerous lateral articulated cirrhi, and their body fixed in a multivalve shell.

[**CIRRHOSE** (*cirrus*, a tendril). Terminated by a spiral or flexuose filiform appendage.]

**CIRRHOISIS** (*κίρρῶς*, yellowish). A disease consisting of diminution and degeneration of the liver, which is dense, granular, wrinkled, and frequently of a rust-brown colour. By Baillie, it was called *common tubercle of the liver*; by Dr. Elliotson, *gin liver*, as being induced by drunkenness; by others, granulated, lobulated, mammellated, or schirrous liver.

**CIRSOS.** The Greek term for a varix or dilated vein.

1. *Cirsocele* (*κήλη*, a tumour). A varicose enlargement of the spermatic vein.

2. *Cirsophthalmia* (*ὀφθαλμός*, the eye). [Varicositas oculi.] A general varicose affection of the blood-vessels of the eye; a local complication of amaurosis.

**CISSAMPELOS PAREIRA.** Pareira brava or Velvet Leaf, a Menispermaceous plant, the root of which, commonly called *pareira brava*, and sometimes imported under the name of *abuta* or *butua* root, exercises a specific influence over the mucous membrane lining the urinary passages.

*Cissampelin.* A new vegetable alkali found in *pareira brava* root.

**CITRIC ACID.** The acid of lemons, or Coxwell's Concrete Salt of Lemon. It is decomposed by exposure to heat, and a new acid sublimes, called the *pyro-citric*.

*Citric Acid.* A new acid obtained by Baup in the preparation of pyro-citric acid; the latter acid was named by him *citribic*.

**CITRINE OINTMENT.** The common name of the *Unguentum hydrargyri nitratis* of the pharmacopœia.

**CITRUS.** A genus of Aurantiaceous plants, containing vesicular receptacles of volatile oil in the external yellow portion, called *flavedo*, of their baccate fruit.

1. *Citrus Limbnum.* The Lemon tree. The juice of the fruit yields *citric acid*.

2. *Citrus Aurantium.* The Sweet Orange. The young unripe fruit dried and turned in a lathe are the *issue peus* of the shops.

3. *Citrus Bigaradia.* The Bigarade, or the Bitter or Seville Orange.

4. *Citrus Medica.* The Citron tree. Pliny calls the fruit *malum citreum*.

5. *Citrus Limetta.* The Lime. The fruit yields the *oil of bergamot* of the shops.

**CIVET.** A substance collected in a bag under the tail of the civet-cat, and used as a perfume.

**CLAIRVOYANCE.** Clearsightedness. A peculiar mode of sensation, or second sight, connected with *somnambulism*, and





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and *Exmouth*: the first of these is the most sheltered place in the island; *Salcombe*, the Montpellier of Huxham, is one of the warmest spots in this country during the winter.

3. The **LAND'S END**. This district is most suitable for the irritable and inflammatory habit, and least so for the relaxed nervous constitution. The only places in this district deserving particular notice are—

(L) *Penzance*, which is remarkable for the equal distribution of its temperature throughout the year, throughout the day and night; indeed, it is only excelled in this respect by the climate of Madeira. The difference between the warmest and coldest months in London is  $26^{\circ}$ ; at Penzance, it is only  $18^{\circ}$ . The climate of the Land's End is, however, very humid, and, from its exposure to the northerly and easterly winds, colder during the spring than Torquay or Undercliff.

(2.) *Flushing*, a small village in the vicinity of Falmouth; its position differs from that of Penzance only in being somewhat protected from the north and east winds.

4. The **WEST OF ENGLAND**.—This comprehends the places along the borders of the Bristol Channel and estuary of the Severn. Of these it is necessary only to notice—

*Clifton*, which, compared with the Southwest Coast, is more exciting, more bracing, and drier, but not so mild; it is therefore better suited to a relaxed, languid habit, and less so for pulmonary and other diseases, accompanied with irritation and a tendency to inflammation.

## II. FOREIGN CLIMATES.

1. The **SOUTHWEST OF FRANCE**.—This comprehends the tract of country extending from Bourdeaux and Bayonne to Toulouse. The mean annual temperature is only about four degrees higher than that of the southwest of England; both are soft and rather humid, and agree and disagree, generally speaking, with diseases of the same character. The only place in this district which need be here noticed is—

*Pau*, a little town remarkable for the mildness of the spring, and its comparative exemption from sharp cold winds during that season; its chief fault is the unsteadiness of its temperature.

2. The **SOUTHEAST OF FRANCE**.—This includes that extensive tract of country which stretches along the shores of the Mediterranean, from Montpellier to the banks of the Var, the boundary stream

between France and Piedmont. The climate of this district is warmer and drier, but more irritating and exciting than that of the Southwest. It is also subject to sudden vicissitudes of temperature, and to frequent harsh, cold winds, especially the *mistral*, or the northwest, rendering the whole of this country an improper residence for patients suffering under, or peculiarly disposed to, inflammation or irritation of the respiratory organs. The principal places are—

(1.) *Montpelier*, the high and exposed situation of which renders it liable to all the above mentioned objections in a remarkable degree; it is well ascertained that pulmonary inflammation and phthisis are among the most prevailing diseases of the place.

(2.) *Marseilles*, which, though less exposed than the preceding place, is an equally improper residence for consumptive invalids. It forms a good winter residence for persons likely to benefit by a dry sharp air.

(3.) *Hyères*, which possesses the mildest climate in the whole of this district, being sheltered to a considerable degree from the northerly winds.

3. **NICE**.—This place, situated in the same line of coast as Provence, is superior to it in several respects: it is protected from the northerly winds, especially the *mistral*; but it is not exempt from cold winds, especially during the spring, and is therefore considered an unfavourable situation for consumption, even in its earlier stages, for bronchial diseases of the dry irritable character, and for dyspepsia depending on an irritated or inflammatory condition of the mucous membrane of the stomach. This climate is found useful for languid, torpid constitutions, for scrofulous affections in persons of this kind of constitution, for chronic bronchial disease, accompanied with copious expectoration, for humoral asthma, &c. The summer at Nice is too hot for any class of invalids.

4. **ITALY**.—The climate of the south of Italy differs little in actual temperature from that of Provence and Nice, but it is softer, more humid, and less exciting. On the other hand, the *sirocco*, which is scarcely felt at the latter places, forms an objection to the Italian climate, though this objection is of not much weight during the winter. The diseases in which the climate of Italy proves most beneficial, are chronic bronchitis and rheumatism. The principal places for winter climates are—



(L) *Rome*, which possesses one of the best climates in Italy: to the invalid, capable of taking exercise in the open air, it affords advantages over both Naples and Pisa. It is somewhat warmer in the winter, and drier than Pisa, though more humid than Nice and the parching climate of Provence.

(2.) *Pisa*, which resembles Rome in its general qualities, but possesses advantages over every other place in Italy, for patients who can bear little exposure to the air.

(3.) *Naples*, which is more subject to winds, and the air of which is more exciting than that of Pisa or Rome. As a residence for invalids labouring under pulmonary irritation, or chronic rheumatism, it is inferior to both.

5. THE MEDITERRANEAN ISLANDS.—Some parts of the coast of Sicily afford a pretty good winter climate; it is, however, difficult to obtain in these parts the comforts and conveniences of life. Although exception may be made in this respect in favour of *Malta*, the climate of this island has little to recommend it to any class of invalids, least of all to such as suffer from pulmonary affections.

6. ATLANTIC CLIMATE.—The climate of the Northern Atlantic in the temperate latitudes is more steady than that of the Mediterranean, and imparts a similar character to the climate of its islands. The principal of these are—

(1.) *Madeira*, the mean annual temperature of which is only about six degrees higher than that of the southeast of France and Italy; this temperature is, however, very differently distributed throughout the year, the range being far less at Madeira than in the most favoured spots in the south of Europe. Thus, while the winter is twelve degrees warmer than in Italy and France, the summer is five degrees cooler; and, while the mean annual range at Madeira is only fourteen degrees, it is nearly double this at Pisa, Rome, Naples, and Nice. Madeira affords the best climate of the Atlantic Islands for consumptive cases; Funchal is the most desirable for a winter residence.

(2.) The *Canary Islands*, which rank next to Madeira in point of climate; they are somewhat warmer, but the excess of temperature is not equally distributed over the whole year; for while *Santa Cruz*, the capital of Teneriffe, is seven degrees warmer than Funchal in summer, it is only five degrees warmer in winter. The temperature is also more

equable throughout the year at Madeira than at Teneriffe; the difference between the mean temperature of summer and winter being 9° at the former place, while it is 12° at the latter.

(3.) The *Azores*, or *Western Islands*, which in their external characters resemble Madeira and the Canaries. The climate appears to be mild, but somewhat humid; less warm than Madeira during the winter, and more oppressive during summer.

(4.) The *Bermudas*, which differ little from Madeira in the mildness of their winter climate; they are, however, much more liable to high winds in the winter, extremely hot during the summer, and quite improper at this season for the residence of such invalids as are likely to be sent from this country.

(5.) The *Bahamas*, in which the winter and spring are considerably cooler than the same seasons in the West Indies, while the temperature of the summer and autumn is nearly the same. During the winter, the temperature is subject to rapid and considerable vicissitudes, and cold, harsh, northerly winds are not unfrequent.

(6.) The *West Indies*, of which the mean annual temperature, near the level of the sea, is about 80°, and during the six months which include the winter season, the temperature is only 2° lower. The extreme annual range does not exceed 20°, while the mean daily range throughout the year is only 6°. Hence, this climate is improper, generally speaking, for consumptive invalids, who, nevertheless, are frequently sent there. Calculous disorders and scrofula are extremely rare in the West Indies; gout is not common; and rheumatism neither frequent nor severe.

### [III. CLIMATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

[The United States stretch over a vast extent of territory, and embrace a corresponding variety of climate. The late Dr. Forry, who investigated this subject with much care, classified the country in three general divisions, embracing three systems of climate, viz:—the Northern, the Middle, and the Southern.

[1. The NORTHERN DIVISION.—This extends on the Atlantic coast from Eastport, Me., to the harbour of New York, and is characterized by great range of temperature and violent contrasts in the seasons; the rigour of the climate being somewhat tempered on the sea-coast by the ocean, and in the region of the lakes by those inland seas.



[2. The MIDDLE DIVISION.—This extends from the Delaware Bay to Savannah, and is characterized by great variability of temperature, though the extremes are much less than in the Northern Division.

[3. The SOUTHERN DIVISION.—This embraces the whole region south and west to Texas and the Rocky Mountains, and is characterized by the predominance of high temperature.

[(1.) *Peninsula of Florida*.—This is characterized, according to Dr. Forry, by mildness and uniformity of climate; and although the air is more humid than in the northern divisions, the atmosphere in winter is comparatively dry and serene, in consequence of much the larger proportion of rain, nearly two-thirds of the whole falling during the six months from May to November. The most favourable situations for invalids labouring under bronchitis and incipient phthisis, Dr. Forry states to be Fort King, in the interior; Key Biscayno on the southeastern coast; and Tampa Bay on the Gulf of Mexico. St. Augustine, on the eastern coast, Dr. F. conceives to be less favourable, in consequence of the frequency and severity of the northeast winds, which are chilly and surcharged with vapour, and forbid the valetudinarian venturing from his domicile. Dr. Dunglison, however, adduces some evidence leading to a more favourable estimate of the suitability of St. Augustine as a winter residence for invalids; and at all events showing that it is a far more favourable locality for a winter retreat than the northern portions of the United States.]

CLINICAL (*κλίνη*, a bed). A term applied to lectures given at the bedside.

CLINKER. Black oxide of iron, or the *oxidum ferroso-ferricum* of Berzelius. It is always formed when iron is heated to redness in the open air, and is therefore readily obtained at the blacksmith's forge.

CLINOID (*κλίνη*, a bed, *εἶδος*, likeness). A designation of processes of the sella turcica of the sphenoid bone, from their resemblance to the knobs of a bedstead.

CLINOMETER (*κλίνω*, to incline, *μέτρον*, a measure). An instrument for measuring the dip of mineral strata.

[CLISEOMETER (*κλίσις*, inclination, *μέτρον*, a measure). An instrument for measuring the inclination of the pelvis, and for determining the relative direction of the axis of this cavity and that of the body.]

CLITORIS (*κλείω*, to hide). A small

elongated organ of the pudendum, concealed by the labia majora.

*Clitorismus*. A morbid enlargement of the clitoris.

CLOACA (a sewer). A receptacle observed in the monotremata, in birds, in reptiles, and in many fishes, which receives the fæces and the urine, together with the semen of the male, and the ovum of the female.

*Cloacæ*. The openings in cases of necrosis, leading to the enclosed dead bone.

CLONIC (*κλονεω*, to move to and fro). A term denoting the kind of spasm which occurs in hiccough, &c. See *Spasm*.

CLOVE. Caryophyllus; the unexpanded and dried flower-bud of the *Caryophyllus aromaticus*.

CLUB-FEET. *Pedes contorti*. A congenital distortion of the feet, arising from contraction of the extensor muscles. The following are some new terms, introduced by Dr. Krauss, to designate the varieties of club-foot:—

1. The *Tip-foot*, Horse-foot, or *Pes equinus*. When the sufferer walks on his toes, and the heel is drawn upward. In this class may be included the *knot-foot* (*pied-bot en dessous*), when the patient walks upon the back of the foot.

2. The *Cross-foot*, Club-foot inward, or *Varus*. When the sufferer walks on the outward edge of the foot, or the outward part of the dorsum, the point of the foot being turned inwards.

3. The *Out-bow foot*, Club-foot outward, or *Valgus*. The sufferer treads upon the inward part of the foot; the point of the foot, and sometimes the heel, are turned outward.

4. The *Heel club-foot*, or *Talipes calcaneus*. The patient walks upon the heel.

[CLYPEATE (*clypeus*, a shield). Shield-shaped; in the form of an ancient buckler; synonymous with scutate or scutiform.]

CLYSSUS (*κλύζω*, to wash). A term formerly used to denote the vapour produced by the detonation of nitre with any inflammable substance.

CLYSTER (*κλύζω*, to wash out). An enema, or lavamentum. [The injection of a liquid *per anum* into the large intestine, by means of a syringe or other suitable apparatus.]

CNICUS BENEDICTUS. Blessed Thistle; an indigenous Composite plant, containing a brown, bitter substance, called *cnicin*.

COAGULABLE LYMPH. The fluid





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**COD LIVER OIL.** *Oleum Jecoris Aselli.* An oil obtained from the livers of the *Morrhua vulgaris*, or Common Cod, formerly called *Asellus major*, and from allied species; employed in rheumatism and scrofula.

**CÆCUM** (*cæcus*, blind). The *blind* pouch, or *cul-de-sac*, at the commencement of the large intestine.

**CÆLIA** (*κοιλία*, from *κοῖλος*, hollow). The belly, or abdomen; the cavity which contains the intestines.

1. *Cæliac*, a term applied to an artery—the first branch of the aorta in the abdomen; and to a *plexus*, a prolongation of the solar.

2. *Cæliac Passion.* The colic.

**CÆNOSTHESIS** [*Cænæsthesis*] (*κοινός*, common, *αἴσθησις*, perception). A term expressive of the general sensibility of the system.

**CÆNURUS** (*κοινός*, common, *οὐρά*, a tail). A cystose bladder, containing several animals grouped together, and adhering to its sides. See *Hydatid*.

**COFFEA ARABICA.** The Coffee tree, a Rubiaceous plant, of which the albumen of the seeds constitutes the *coffee* of commerce. *Caffein* is a volatile, crystalline, neutral constituent of coffee. *Caffeic acid* is a peculiar acid contained in raw coffee. *Coffee green* is a green substance produced by the action of alkalies on a volatile principle of coffee.

**COHESION** (*cohæreo*, to stick together). The power by which the component particles of a body *cohere*, or are kept together. It is the opposite to *expansion*. See *Attraction*.

**COHOBATION.** The continuous redistillation of a liquid from the same materials, or from a fresh parcel of the same materials.

[**COHOSH.** See *Cimicifuga racemosa*, and *Actæa Americana*.]

**COITUS** (*coire*, to go together). The conjunction of the sexes.

**COKE.** The residue of coal, when the volatile matters are driven off.

**COLATURA** (*colo*, to strain). Any filtered or strained liquor.

**COLCHICUM AUTUMNALE.** Meadow Saffron, a bulbous plant, used by the ancients under the name of *hermodactyllus*. The juice of the bulb is very poisonous to dogs; hence the Dutch name *Hundes hoden*, and the French name *Tue-chien*. All the species of Colchicum yield the alkaloid *veratria*.

*Colchicine* [*Colchicia*, U. S. Disp.]. A vegeto-alkali, procured from the Colchicum autumnale.

**COLCOTHAR.** A mixture of red oxide of iron and the persulphate, used as a paint, &c.

**COLD.** 1. As heat exists in all bodies, the term *cold* has only a negative sense, implying a greater or less privation of heat. 2. In employing *cold* as a remedial agent, its proximate or *physical* effects must be distinguished from its remote or *physiological*; the former are of a sedative, the latter of a stimulant nature. 3. A popular name for catarrh.

[**COLD CREAM.** *Ceratum Galeni*; *Unguentum aquæ rosæ*, U. S. Ph. Take of rose-water, oil of almonds, each two fluid ounces; spermaceti, half an ounce; white wax, a drachm. Melt together by means of a water-bath, the oil, spermaceti, and wax; then add the rose-water, and stir the mixture constantly, until cold.]

**COLEOPTERA** (*κολεός*, a sheath, *πτερόν*, a wing). Sheath-winged insects; beetles.

**COLES** (*καυλός*, a stalk). A designation of the penis. *Celsus*.

**COLICA** (*κῶλον*, the colon). The colic. A painful affection of the colon, without inflammation or fever. See *Ileus*.

1. *Colica accidentalis*. [*C. crapulosa*.] Induced by particular articles of diet.

2. *Colica stercorea*. From accumulation of the contents of the bowels.

3. *Colica meconialis*. From retention of the meconium.

4. *Colica calculosa*. From intestinal calculi.

5. *Colica Pictonum* (an endemic at Poictou). The colic of the Pictones; dry belly-ache; Devonshire colic; Painters' colic; also called *saturnina*, as being produced by the effects of lead.

[6. *Colica hepatica*. Pain in the region of the liver, caused by the passage of a biliary calculi, through the cystic and choledoch ducts.

[7. *Colica nephritica*. Acute pains which accompany nephritis, and particularly calculous nephritis, or the passage of a calculus through the ureters.

[8. *Colica uterina*. Pain in the uterus. See *Hysteralgia*.]

**COLLAPSE** (*collabor*, to shrink down). More or less sudden failure of the circulation, or vital powers, as of the brain, or of the whole system.

[**COLLINSONIA CANADENSIS.** Horseweed, Heal-all. An indigenous plant. A decoction of the fresh root is used in domestic practice as a diuretic, and diaphoretic; and the leaves are employed as a cataplasm to wounds, bruises, &c.]



**COLLIQUAMENTUM** (*colliqueo*, to melt.) A term applied by Harvey to the first rudiments of the embryo in generation.

*Colliquative*. A term applied to any excessive evacuation, as of diarrhœa, or perspiration.

[COLLOID. See *Cancer*.]

**COLLUM** (*κολλάω*, to join). The neck; the part by which the head is joined to the body. It is distinguished from *cervix*, which is the hinder part of the neck, or the hollow part between the head and the nape of the neck. In Botany, the term *collum* denotes that portion of the axis of growth where the stem and the root diverge; by Grew it was termed *coarcture*; by Lamarck, *vital knot*.

**COLLUTORIUM** (*colluo*, to wash). *Gargarisma*. A liquid applied to the mouth or throat for local purposes.

**COLLYRIUM** (*κολλύριον*). Formerly, a solid substance applied to the eyes; now, a liquid wash; or *eye-water*.

**COLOMBA IRIDIS** (*κολόβωμα*, a mutilated limb). Fissure of the iris, with prolongation of the pupil.

**COLOCYNTHIDIS PULPA**. Bitter Cucumber Pulp; the medullary part of the fruit of the *Cucumis Colocynthis*, the active principle of which is called *colocynthin*.

[COLOMBA. The root of the *Cocculus Palmatus*.]

[COLOMBIN or *Calombin*. A peculiar, crystallizable bitter principle, obtained by Wittstock from *Colomba*.]

**COLON** (*κῶλον*, quasi, *κοῖλον*, hollow). The first of the large intestines, commencing at the cæcum, and terminating at the rectum. It is distinguished into the right lumbar or *ascending colon*; the arch of the colon, or *transverse colon*; the left lumbar, or *descending colon*; and the sigmoid flexure, or *left iliac colon*.

1. *Colic*. The name of arteries of the colon, and of one of the omenta.

2. *Colonitis*. Inflammation of the colon; a term employed by Dr. Ballingall.

**COLOPHONY** (so termed from a city of the same name). *Pix nigra*. Resin of turpentine. It has been distinguished into two different resins, called *sylvic* and *pinic acids*.

*Colophonic acid*. An acid formed by the action of heat on pinic acid. Brown rosin, or colophony, owes its colour to this acid.

**COLOSTRUM**. Beestings; the milk first secreted after delivery.

**COLOURING MATTER**. A colour-

ing principle existing in vegetable substances. Colours are termed *substantive*, when they adhere to the cloth without a basis; *adjective*, when they require a basis.

**COLPOCELE** (*κόλπος*, the vagina, *κῆλη*, tumour). A tumour or hernia of the vagina.

**COLPOPTOSIS** (*κόλπος*, the vagina, *πτῶσις*, a falling down). Prolapsus or falling down of the vagina.

**COLTSFOOT**. The vernacular name of the *Tussilago Farfara*.

**COLUMBIC ACID**. An acid obtained by fusing the ore of *Columbium* with the carbonate or the bisulphate of potass; a soluble columbate of potass is obtained, and the acid is precipitated in the form of a white hydrate.

**COLUMBIUM**. A metal, supposed to have been brought from Massachusetts in North America. It is also termed *Tantalum*.

[COLUMBO AMERICAN. The root of the *Frasera Walteri*.]

**COLUMNA**. A column, or pillar, as those of the *velum palati*, and the *columnæ carneæ*, or muscular fasciculi of the internal walls of the heart.

[COLUTEA ARBORESCENS. Bladder Senna. An European plant, the leaflets of which have slight purgative properties, and are sometimes used as a substitute for senna.]

**COLZA OIL**. A liquid extracted from the grain of the *Brassica Arvensis*, used in making soft soap.

**COMA** (*κῶμα*, drowsiness, from *κέω*, to lie). Drowsiness; lethargic sleep; dead sleep; torpor. See *Cataphora*.

1. *Coma somnolentum*; in which the patient, when roused, immediately relapses into sleep.

2. *Coma vigil*; in which the patient is unable to sleep, though so inclined.

**COMATOSE** (*coma*, drowsiness). Affected with coma or drowsiness.

**COMBINATION** (*cum*, with, *binus*, two). The union of the particles of different substances, by chemical attraction, in forming new compounds.

**COMBUSTION** (*comburo*, to burn). Burning; the disengagement of heat and light, which accompanies rapid chemical combination.

*Combustion spontaneous*. This is said to occur in the human body; and it does occur when masses of vegetables, as damp hay, or oily cotton, are heaped together. There are also cases on record of the spontaneous ignition of charcoal, both dry and moist.



**COMENIC ACID.** A bibasic acid, formed by boiling a solution of meconic acid with a pretty strong acid.

[**COMFREY.** See *Symphytum Officinale*.]

**COMMANDER'S BALSAM.** *Balsamum traumaticum*. Friar's Balsam, Jesuits' Drops, Wade's Drops, or the Tinctura Benzoini composita.

**COMMUNUTED** (*comminuo*, to break in pieces). A term applied to a fracture, when the bone is broken into several pieces; also to any substance which has been ground into minute particles.

**COMMISSU'RA** (*committo*, to unite). A term applied to the *converging fibres* which unite the hemispheres of the brain.

1. *Commissura anterior et posterior*. Two white cords situated across the anterior and posterior parts of the third ventricle.

2. *Commissura magna*. The commissure of the corpus callosum, so called from its being the largest.

3. *Commissura mollis*. The name of the gray mass which unites the thalami.

4. The term *Commissure* is also applied to the quadrilateral body formed by union of the optic nerves, to the acute angle formed on each side of the mouth by the union of the lips, &c.

**COMMUNICANS TIBIÆ.** The external saphenial branch of the tibial nerve.

**COMMUNICATING ARTERY OF WILLIS.** A branch of the internal carotid artery.

[**COMOSE** (*coma*, hair). Having hair at the extremity.]

**COMPLEXUS** (*complector*, to comprise). A muscle situated at the back part of the neck. It is so named from the intricate mixture of its muscular and tendinous parts. From the irregularity of its origins, it has been termed *complexus implicatus trigeminus*. Albinus distinguishes it into two parts; viz.,

1. *Biventer*, or the upper layer, hitherto called complexus; and,

2. *Complexus*, or the lower layer, never before distinguished from the rest.

**COMPOSITÆ.** The Synantherous tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants or shrubs with *leaves* alternate or opposite; *flowers* (called *florets*) unisexual or hermaphrodite, collected in dense *heads* upon a common receptacle, surrounded by an involucre; *florets* monopetalous; *anthers* syngenesious; *ovarium* one-celled; *fruit* a dry, indehiscent pericarp, termed achenium or cypsela.

**COMPOTES.** Fruits preserved with sugar; generally stone fruits.

**COMPOUND MEDICINES.** These have been divided into two classes; viz., *Officinal Preparations*, or those ordered in the pharmacopœias; and *Magistral* or *Extemporaneous Formulæ*, or those constructed by the practitioner at the moment.

**COMPOUNDS.** The following terms are employed in designating compounds:

1. *Binary, ternary, quaternary*. These terms refer to the number of *elements* or proximate principles—two, three, or four—which exist in a compound. The *binary* compounds of oxygen, chlorine, iodine, bromine, and fluorine, which are not acid, terminate in *ide*, as oxide, chloride, &c.; those of all other substances terminate in *uret*, as hydruret of carbon, sulphuret of iron, &c.

2. *Bis, ter, quater*. These are Latin numerals, indicating the number of *atoms* of acid which are combined with one of the base in a compound, as *bi-sulphate* of soda, &c.

3. *Dis, tris, tetrakis*. These are Greek numerals, indicating the number of *atoms* of base, which are combined with one of the acid in a compound, as *di-chromate* of lead, &c. No prefix is used when the compound consists of one atom of each ingredient. But there are many exceptions to these rules: protoxide and deutoxide are frequently used for oxide and bin-oxide respectively.

**COMPRESS** (*comprimo*, to press). A pad of folded linen, lint, &c., which surgeons place where they wish to make a pressure, &c.

**COMPRESSIBILITY** (*comprimo*, to compress). A property of masses of matter, by which their particles are capable of being brought nearer together. Bodies which recover their former bulk on removal of the compressing cause, are called *elastic*.

**COMPRESSION** (*comprimo*, to press). A diseased state, usually of the brain, occasioned by pressure.

**COMPRESSOR** (*comprimo*, to press). A muscle which compresses a part, as that of the *nose*, and of the *urethra*.

[1. *Compressor of Dupuytren*. An instrument for compressing the crural artery. It consists of two pads placed at the extremities of a semicircle of steel, which, passing from one to the other, restricts the compression to two opposite points of the thigh, and does not interrupt the collateral circulation.

[2. *Compressor of Nuck*. An instrument for compressing the urethra and





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useful in diarrhœa and chronic dysentery. Dose ℥ss. to ℥j.

[6. *C. Opii*. Ph. U. S. Confection of opium. Opium, powdered, ℥ivss.; aromatic powder, ℥vj.; rub together, then add, clarified honey, ℥xiv.; and beat together until thoroughly mixed. Stimulant narcotic. Dose gr. x. to ℥j.

[7. *C. Piperis Nigri*. Dub. Confection of black pepper. Black pepper, elecampane, of each, ℥ij.; fennel seeds, ℥iij.; sugar, refined, ℥ij. Rub together into a very fine powder, then add honey, ℥ij. Used as a substitute for Ward's Paste, a remedy of some reputation in England for piles and ulcers of the rectum. Dose ℥j. to ℥ij., repeated two or three times a day.

[8. *C. Rosæ*. Ph. U. S. Conserve of roses. Red roses in powder, ℥iv.; rose water, at a boiling heat, ℥viiij.; rub together, and add refined sugar, in powder, ℥xxx.; clarified honey, ℥vj.; beat together until thoroughly mixed. Slightly astringent. Chiefly used as a vehicle for other medicines.

[9. *C. Rosæ Caninæ*. Lond. Confection of the Dog Rose. Dog Rose pulp, ℥ij.; expose to a gentle heat in an earthen vessel; add gradually refined sugar, in powder, ℥xx.; and rub together until mixed. Acidulous and refrigerant; chiefly used like the preceding.

[10. *C. Rutæ*. Dub. Confection of rue. Dried rue, caraway, laurel berries, each, ℥iss.; sagapenum, ℥ss.; black pepper, ℥ij.; rub together to a very fine powder and add clarified honey, ℥xvj. Antispasmodic and carminative. Given in enema. Dose ℥j. to ℥j. diffused in half a pint of warm mucilaginous fluid.

[11. *C. Scammonii*. Dub. Scammony, ℥iss.; cloves and ginger, of each, ℥vj.; rub into a fine powder and add syrup of roses, a sufficient quantity, oil of caraway, ℥ss. Active cathartic. Dose ℥ss. to ℥i.

[12. *C. Sennæ*. Ph. U. S. Confection of senna; Lenitive electuary. Senna, ℥viiij.; coriander seed, ℥iv.; liquorice root, bruised, ℥iij.; figs, ℥ij.; pulp of prunes, pulp of tamarinds, pulp of purging cassia, of each, ℥ss.; refined sugar, ℥ijss.; water, Oj. Rub the senna and coriander together, and separate ten ounces of the powder with a sieve. "Boil the residue with the figs and liquorice root, in the water, to one half; then press out and strain. Evaporate the strained liquor, by means of a water bath, to a pint and a half; then add the sugar and form a syrup. Lastly, rub the pulps with the syrup gra-

dually added, and, having thrown in the sifted powder, beat all together until thoroughly mixed." Ph. U. S. An excellent laxative in habitual costiveness. Dose ℥ij.]

CONFLATION (*conflo*, to blow together). The casting or melting of metal.

[CONFLUENT (*confluo*, to flow together). Running together. It is applied to the exanthemata when the pustules run together. In Botany it signifies growing together, and is synonymous with *connate*, cohering, &c.]

[CONFORMATION (*conformo*, to shape). The natural shape and form of any part.]

CONGELATION (*congelato*, to freeze). The passing from a fluid to a solid state by the agency of cold.

CONGENER (*con*, and *genus*, kind). A thing of the same kind or nature. Hence the term *congenerous* is applied to diseases of the same kind.

[CONGENITAL (*con*, with, *genitus*, begotten). Born with. A term applied to diseases or peculiarities of conformation existing at birth.]

CONGESTION (*congero*, to amass). Undue fulness of the blood-vessels. By *passive congestion* is denoted torpid stagnation of the blood, observed in organs whose power of resistance has been greatly exhausted.

CONGIUS. This measure among the Romans was equivalent to the eighth of an amphora, to a cubic half foot, or to six sextarii. It is equal to our gallon, or a little more.

CONGLOBATE (*conglobo*, to gather into a ball). The designation of a gland of a globular form, like those of the absorbent system.

CONGLOMERATE (*conglomerato*, to heap together). The designation of a gland composed of various glands, having a common excretory duct, as the parotid, pancreas, &c.

CONIVASCULOSI. Vascular cones; the conical convolutions of the vasa efferentia. They constitute the *epididymis*.

CONIFERÆ. The Fir or cone-bearing tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with a stem abounding with resin; *leaves* linear, acerose, or lanceolate; *flowers* monœcious, or diœcious; *ovarium* in the cones, spread open, appearing like a flat scale, destitute of style or stigma; *fruit* a solitary naked seed or a cone; *seeds* with a hard crustaceous integument.

CONI'UM MACULA'TUM. The Common or Spotted Hemlock; an Umbelliferous plant, termed *Cicuta* by the Latin authors, but quite distinct from



the *Cicuta maculata* of English writers.

*Conia*. The active principle of hemlock, in which it exists in combination with an acid called the *coniic acid*.

[CONJUGATE (*conjugatus*, yoked together); growing in a pair.]

CONJUNCTIVA (*conjungo*, to unite). *Adnata tunica*. The mucous membrane which lines the posterior surface of the eyelids, and is continued over the forepart of the globe of the eye.

*Conjunctiva Granular*. A diseased condition of the conjunctiva, the sequel of purulent ophthalmia.

[*Conjunctivitis*. Inflammation of the conjunctiva.]

CONNATUS (*connascor*, to be born together). Connate. Born with another; congenital. A term applied in botany to two opposite leaves united at their bases, as in the garden honeysuckle.

[CONNIVENT (*conniveo*, to connive). Converging; having a direction inwards. In anatomy applied to the valvular folds in the mucous membrane of the small intestines, which are called *valvulae conniventes*; from their converging or approaching each other.]

[CONSENT OF PARTS. See *Sympathy*.]

CONSERVA (*conservo*, to keep). A conserve, or composition of vegetable and saccharine matter. See *Confectio*.

CONSTIPATION (*constipo*, to crowd together, from *con*, and *stipo*, to cram). *Obstipatio*. Costiveness; confinement of the bowels; constipation; the contents of the bowels being so *crammed* together as to obstruct the passage.

CONSTITUENS. The vehicle; a constituent part of a medicinal formula, signifying "that which imparts an agreeable form." See *Prescription*.

CONSTITUTION (*constituo*, to establish). A state of being; the temper of the body; natural qualities, &c.

1. *Constitution of the Body*—Diathesis. The condition of the body; the "propria," or peculiarities, as distinguished from the "communia," or generalities.—*Celsus*.

2. *Constitution of the Air*. That peculiar state of the air or vapour from the earth, which induces epidemics, or impresses upon epidemic or sporadic diseases their peculiar characters on particular occasions. It is denominated by Sydenham, *bilious, dysenteric, &c.*

[CONSTITUTIONAL. Inherent in the constitution.]

CONSTRUCTOR (*constringo*, to bind

together). A muscle which contracts any opening of the body, as that of the pharynx.

CONSUMPTION (*consumo*, to waste away). Wasting of the body; phthisis, or marasmus.

CONTABESCENTIA (*contabesco*, to waste away). Atrophy, or consumption; wasting away of every organ.

CONTAGION (*contingo*, to touch one another). The propagation of disease from one individual to another,—properly by contact. Compare *Infection*.

[CONTAGIOUS. Capable of being communicated by contact.]

[CONTORTED (*con* and *torqueo*, to twist). Twisted. In *botany* signifies twisted in such a manner that each piece of a whorl overlaps its neighbour by one margin, and is overlapped by its other neighbours by the other margin, as in the æstivation of oleander.]

CONTRACTILITY (*contraho*, to draw together). The property by which bodies contract.

1. The property by which the fibrous tissues return to their former dimensions, after being temporarily extended.

2. The property of the muscular fibre, by which it shortens on the application of a stimulus; more properly *Irritability*.

CONTRACTION (*contraho*, to draw together). A rigid state of the joints. Also, a decrease of volume, the usual effect of a diminution of heat.

CONTRA-FISSURE (*contra*, against, *findo*, to cleave). A fracture of the skull, produced by a *contre-coup* opposite to the part on which the blow is received.

CONTRA-INDICATION (*contra*, against, *indico*, to show). Circumstances which forbid the exhibition of a remedy.

CONTRAJERVA (*contrayerva*, Indian Spanish for alexipharmic). A species of *Dorstenia*, to which the *contrayerva* root was formerly referred: but Dr. Pereira says that the root of this species is not met with in commerce. See *Dorstenia*.

CONTRE-COUP. A term used synonymously with *contra-fissure*; but it is rather the cause of this effect.

[CONTRO-STIMULANT (*contra*, against, *stimulus*, an excitant). A substance, according to Rasori, which has the property of directly diminishing vital action.

[CONTRO-STIMULUS. A term given by Rasori to a doctrine which he originated, and which is founded on the contro-stimulant properties supposed to be possessed by certain medicines.]



**CONTUSION** (*contundo*, to bruise). A bruise.

**CONVALESCENCE** (*convalesco*, to grow strong). The state of recovery.

**CONVOLUTA** (*convolvo*, to wrap together). [Convolute.] A term applied to the upper and lower turbinated bones of the nose.

[In botany applied to a form of æstivation or veneration in which one petal or leaf is wholly rolled up in another.]

**CONVOLUTION** (*convolvo*, to roll together). The state of any thing which is rolled upon itself. Hence the term is applied to the windings and turnings of the cerebrum, called *gyri*; and to the foldings of the small intestines.

**CONVOLVULACEÆ**. The Bindweed tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* regular, monopetalous; *stamens* inserted into the base of the corolla; *ovarium* superior, 2-4 celled; *seeds* albuminous.

1. *Convolvulus Scammonia*. The plant whose root yields the hard, brittle, ash-coloured resin called *scammony*. It contains a substance called *convolvulin*, supposed to be a vegetable alkali.

2. *Convolvulus Jalapa*. The former name of the Jalap plant. The drug is now said to be yielded by the *Ipomæa purga*, and probably by other species.

**CONVULSION** (*convello*, to pull together). *Spasm*. Violent involuntary contractions of the muscles, with alternate relaxations, commonly called *fits*.

**COPAIVA BALSAM**. A balsam obtained by making incisions into the stems of several species of *Copaifera*.

1. *Resin of Copaiva*. A brown resinous mass, left after the balsam has been deprived of its volatile oil by distillation. It consists of two resins; the one, a yellow brittle resin, called *copaivic acid*; the other, the *viscid resin of copaiva*.

2. *Gelatine Capsules of Copaiva*. Capsules formed of a concentrated solution of gelatine, and containing each about ten grains of the balsam of copaiva.

**COPAL**. A resin obtained from the *Hymenæa Courbaril*, and also termed *jatahy* or *jatchy*.

[**COPALCHI BARK**. The bark of the Croton Pseudo—China of Schiede. It has some resemblance to Cascarilla.]

**COPHO'SIS** (*κωφός*, deaf). Deafness.

**COPPER** (*Cuprum*, quasi *æs Cyprium*, from the island Cyprus, where it was first wrought). A red metal, found in the common ore called *copper pyrites*. Among its compounds are *red copper*, or

the protoxide; *black copper*, or the peroxide; *copper glance*, or the protosulphuret; *resin of copper*, the protochloride or white muriate; and the *white copper* of the Chinese, an alloy of copper, zinc, nickel, and iron. See *Cuprum*.

**COPPERAS**. Sulphate of iron, or *green vitriol*. See *Vitriol*.

**COPPERNICKEL**. A native arseniuret of nickel, a copper-coloured mineral of Westphalia.

**COPROSTASIS** (*κοπρός*, *fæces*, *ἵσθημι*, to stand). Costiveness; undue retention of the *fæces* in the intestines. Hence the terms *copragoga* or *eccoprotica*, denoting purgatives, or medicines to quicken the passage of the *fæces*.

[**COPTIS**. Ph. U. S. Goldthread. The root of *Coptis trifolia*. It is a bitter tonic; and is much employed in New England as a local application in aphthous ulcerations of the mouth.]

**COR, CORDIS**. The heart; the central organ of circulation. [See *Heart*.]

[**CORDATE** (*cordis*, the heart). Heart-shaped.]

**CORACO-** (*κόραξ*, a crow). Names compounded with this word belong to muscles which are attached to the

*Coracoïd Process* (*εἶδος*, likeness). The upper and anterior point of the scapula, so called from its resemblance to a crow's beak.

**CORALLICOLA** (*corallum*, coral, *colo*, to inhabit). Coral-inhabiters, as the horn-wrack.

**CORALLIUM RUBRUM**. Red coral; the calcareous internal skeleton of a *Polypiferous* animal, consisting of carbonate of lime, principally coloured with oxide of iron.

**CORDIALS** (*cor*, the heart). *Cardiacs*. Warm medicines; medicines which increase the action of the heart, or quicken the circulation.

**CORE** (*cor*, the heart). The slough which forms at the central part of boils.

[**CORECTOMIA** (*κορη*, the pupil, *ἐκτομή*, excision). *Iridectonica*. Formation of an artificial pupil by excision.

[**COREDIALYSIS** (*κορη*, the pupil, *διαλυσις*, loosening). *Iridodialysis*. The formation of an artificial pupil by separating the iris from its ciliary attachment.

[**COREMORPHOSIS** (*κόρη*, pupil, *μορφωσις*, formation). Operation for the formation of an artificial pupil. See *Corectomia*, *Corectomia*, *Coredialysis*, *Iridenclisis*, *Iridectomedialysis*, *Scleroticectome*.

[**COREONCION** (*κορη*, the pupil, *ογκος*,





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1. *Corpus Arantii*. A small fibro-cartilaginous tubercle, situated in the centre of the free margin of each of the semilunar valves of the heart, and named after Arantius of Bologna.

2. *Corpus callosum* (*callus*, hardness). The hard substance which communicates between the hemispheres of the brain; also called *commissura magna*.

3. *Corpus cavernosum vaginae*. The erectile spongy tissue of the vagina, termed by Degraaf *retiforme*, or net-like.

4. *Corpus dentatum vel serratum*. A yellowish matter which appears on making a section of the crura cerebelli.

5. *Corpus fimbriatum* (*fimbria*, a fringe). A narrow white band,—the lateral thin edge of the fornix, also called *tænia hippocampi*.

6. *Corpus Highmoreianum*. A prominence of the superior part of the testis, so called from Highmore of Oxford. See *Mediastinum testis*.

7. *Corpus luteum* (*luteus*, yellow). The cicatrix left in the ovarium, in consequence of the bursting of a Graaffian vesicle.

8. *Corpus mucosum*. Rete mucosum. A soft, reticulated substance, first described by Malpighi as situated between the cuticle and cutis, and giving the proper colour to the skin, being black in the Negro, yellow in the Chinese, and copper-coloured in the aboriginal Americans.

9. *Corpus pampiniforme* (*pampinus*, a tendril). A tendril-like plexus of the spermatic vein.

10. *Corpus psalloïdes*. Another name for the *lyra*, considered by Gall as the general union of the communicating filaments of the fornix.

11. *Corpus rhomboïdeum*. Ganglion of the cerebellum; a gray body observed in the centre of the white substance of the cerebellum, if an incision be made through the outer third of the organ.

12. *Corpus spongiosum* (*spongia*, a sponge). A lengthened body situated in the groove upon the under surface of the two corpora cavernosa.

13. *Corpora albicantia* (*albico*, to become white). Two white bodies of the cerebrum, situated behind the gray substance from which the infundibulum arises. They are also called corpora candidantia, and mammillary or pisiform tubercles.

14. *Corpora cavernosa* (*caverna*, a cavern). Two lengthened bodies, constituting the chief bulk of the body of the

penis. They are separated by an incomplete partition, named *septum pectiniforme*.

15. *Corpora geniculata* (*geniculum*, a knot). Two knotty prominences, the external and the internal, at the inferior surface of the thalami nervorum, optico-  
rum.

16. *Corpora olivaria*. Two olive-shaped eminences of the medulla oblongata. On making a section of the corpus olivare, an oval medullary substance is seen, surrounded by cineritious matter, and called *corpus dentatum eminentiæ olivaris*.

17. *Corpora pyramidalia*. Two small pyramidal eminences of the medulla oblongata.

18. *Corpora quadrigemina* (four double). Four eminences (tubercula) of the brain, supporting the pineal gland, formerly called *nates* and *testes*.

19. *Corpora restiformia* (*restis*, a cord). Two cord-like processes, extending from the medulla oblongata to the cerebellum.

20. *Corpora sesamoïdea*. Another name for the *Corpuscula Arantii*, from their being of the size of sesamum seeds.

21. *Corpora striata* (*stria*, a streak). Two streaky eminences in the lateral ventricle, termed by Gall the great superior ganglion of the brain.

CORPUSCULUM (dim. of *corpus*, a body). A corpuscle, or little body.

*Corpuscula Arantii*. A designation of three small hard tubercles, situated on the point of the valves of the aorta. They are also called *corpora sesamoïdeu*, from their being of the size of the sesamum seeds.

CORRIGENS. A constituent part of a medicinal formula, 'that which corrects its operation.' See *Prescription*.

CORROBORANTS (*corroboro*, to strengthen). Remedies which impart strength.

CORROSIVES (*corrodo*, to eat away). Substances which have the power of wearing away or consuming bodies, as caustics, escharotics, &c.

CORROSIVE SUBLIMATE (*corrodo*, to eat away). The bi-chloride of mercury, formerly called the oxymuriate.

CORRUGATION (*corrugo*, to wrinkle). The contraction of the surface of the body into wrinkles.

*Corrugator supercilii*. A muscle which knits and contracts the brow into wrinkles.

CORSICAN MOSS. The *Gigartina helmintho-corton*, a Cryptogamic plant, of the order *Algæ*, used in Corsica as a remedy for intestinal worms.



**CORTEX** (bark). A term which is generally applied to Peruvian bark.

1. *Corticine*. An alkaloid found in the bark of the *Populus Tremens*.

2. *Cortical substance*. The exterior part of the brain, also termed *cineritious*; and of the kidney.

**CORYDALIN**. An alkaloid contained in the root of the *Corydalis bulbosa* and *fabacea*.

**CORYMB**. A form of inflorescence, in which the lower stalks are so long that their flowers are elevated to the same level as that of the uppermost flowers. The expansion of the flowers of a corymb is centripetal. See *Fascicle*.

**CORYZA** (κόρυζα, from κόρυς, or κάρα, the head). An inflammatory affection of the mucous membrane lining the nose, and its contiguous cavities, usually arising from cold. It is also called *gravedo*, nasal catarrh, cold in the head, stuffing in the head, &c. See *Catarrh*.

**COSMETIC** (κόσμος, ornament). A remedy which improves the complexion, and removes blotches and freckles.

**COSTA** (*custodio*, to guard). A rib. The ribs are divided into—

1. The *true*, or *sterno-vertebral*. The first seven pairs; so called because they are united by their cartilages to the sternum; these are called *custodes*, or the preservers of the heart.

2. The *false*, or *vertebral*. The remaining five pairs, which are successively united to the lowest true rib, and to each other.

3. The vertebral extremity of a rib is called the *head*; the contracted part which adjoins it forms the *neck*; at the back of the rib is the *tubercle*; further outward the bone bends forward, producing the *angle*, from which proceeds the *body*, which passes forwards and downwards to the *sternal extremity*.

**COSTIVENESS**. Another term for constipation, or confinement of the bowels.

**COSTUS**. A substance called *putchuk* in India, and produced by a genus of the order *Compositæ*, to which the name of *Aucklandia* has been given, in honour of the Earl of Auckland.

**COTTON**. The hairy covering of the seeds of several species of *Gossypium*.

[**COTULA**. Ph. U. S. The herb of *Anthemis Cotula*. May-weed. This plant possesses the same properties as Chamomile, and is given in the same form.]

**COTYLE'**. An old Roman measure. The socket of the hip-bone.

*Cotyloid* (εἶδος, likeness). A term applied to the acetabulum, or the cavity of the hip, for receiving the head of the thigh-bone, resembling an ancient cup.

**COTYLEDON** (κοτυληδών, a cavity). The seed-lobe of a plant. Plants have been distinguished, with reference to the number of their cotyledons, into *di-cotyledonous*, or those which have two cotyledons in their seeds; *mono-cotyledonous*, or those which have only one; and *a-cotyledonous*, or those which have none.

**COUCHING**. The depression of a cataract.

**COUMARIN**. The odoriferous principle of the Tonka bean, the produce of the *Coumarouma odorata*; and of the flowers of the *Melilotus officinalis*.

**COUNTER-EXTENSION**. A means of reducing a fracture by making extension in the opposite direction. See *Extension*.

**COUNTER-IRRITATION**. *Antagonism*. The production of an artificial or secondary disease, in order to relieve another or primary one. Dr. Parry calls this the "cure of diseases by conversion." But as the secondary disease is not always a state of irritation, Dr. Pereira suggests the use of some other term, as *counter-morbific*. The practice is also called derivation and revulsion.

**COUNTER-OPENING**. *Contra-apertura*. An opening made in a second part of an abscess, opposite to a first.

**COUP-DE-SANG**. *Blood-stroke*; an instantaneous and universal congestion, without any escape of blood from the vessels. This is a form of hæmorrhage, occurring in the brain, the lungs, and in most of the other organs of the body.

**COUP-DE-SOLEIL**. *Sun-stroke*. An affection of the head, produced by the rays of the sun.

**COUP** or **TOUR-DE-MAITRE**. A mode of introducing the sound, with the convexity towards the abdomen.

**COUPEROSE** (*cuprum*, copper, *rosa*, a rose). *Goutte-rose*. The Acne, or gutta rosacea, or carbuncled face; so named from the redness of the spots.

**COURAP**. A form of Impetigo, peculiar to India, described by Sauvages under the term *scabies Indica*.

**COURONNE-DE-TASSES**. Literally, a crown or circle of cups. An apparatus employed in voltaic electricity, consisting of a circle of cups containing salt water, and connected together by compound metallic arcs of copper and zinc.

**COUVRE-CHEF EN TRIANGLE**. A triangular bandage for the head.



**COW-ITCH, or COWHAGE.** A substance procured from the strong, brown stinging hairs, covering the legume of the *Mucuna pruriens*, and employed as a mechanical anthelmintic.

**COWPER'S GLANDS.** *Accessory Glands.* Two small granulated glandular bodies placed parallel to each other before the prostate.

**COW-POX.** The vernacular name for *Vaccinia*, from its having been derived from the cow.

**COW-TREE.** *Pala de Vaca.* A tree which yields, by incision, a glutinous sap or vegetable milk.

**COXA.** The hip, or haunch; the huckle-bone; the joint of the hip. The term is synonymous with *coxendix*.

1. *Os coxatum.* Another term for the os iliacum, more generally called *os innominatum*.

2. *Cox-algia* (ἄλγος, pain). Pain of the hip or haunch.

**COXÆLUVIUM** (*coxa*, the hip, *lavo*, to wash). The hip-bath, or demi-bain of the French, in which the patient is immersed as high as to the umbilicus or hip.

**CRAB-LOUSE.** The pediculus pubis, or morpio; a species of louse distinguished by the *cheliform* structure of its legs, and frequently inducing local prurigo; it is found chiefly on the groin and eyebrows of uncleanly persons.

**CRAB YAWS.** Excrescences on the soles of the feet. See *Frambæsia*.

**CRAMP** (*krempon*, German, to contract). Spasm; violent contraction of the muscles.

**CRANIUM** (κράνιον, the head). The skull, or cavity which contains the brain, its membranes, and vessels. The inner and outer surfaces of the bones are composed of compact layers, called the *external* or *fibrous*, and the *internal* or *vitreous*, tables of the skull. There is an intermediate cellular texture, termed *diploe*, which is similar to the cancelli of other bones.

1. *Cranio-logy* (λόγος, discourse). A description of the skull.

2. *Cranio-scropy* (σκοπέω, to observe). An inspection of the skull. Dr. Prichard has characterized the primitive forms of the skull according to the width of the *bregma*, or space between the parietal bones: hence—

1. The *steno-bregmate* (στενός, narrow), or *Æthiopian* variety.

2. The *meso-bregmate* (μέσος, middle), or *Caucasian* variety.

3. The *platy-bregmate* (πλατύς, broad), or *Mongolian* variety.

**CRASSAMENTUM** (*crassus*, thick). The cruor, or clot of blood, consisting of fibrin and red globules.

**CREAM OF LIME.** A mixture of lime and water, used for purifying coal gas, by its property of absorbing or combining with the contaminating gases.

**CREAM OF TAR'TAR.** *Cremor Tartari.* The purified bi-tartrate of potash.

[**CREASOTE, or] CREOSOTE** (κρέας, flesh, σώζω, to preserve). An oily, colourless, transparent liquid, discovered first in pyroligneous acid, and subsequently in the different kinds of tar. Its name is derived from its preventing the putrefaction of meat or fish, when dipt in it.

**CREATINE** (κρέας, flesh). A nitrogenous, crystallizable substance, obtained from muscular fibre.

**CREEPING SICKNESS** (*kriebel krankheit*). The name by which the gangrenous form of Ergotism is known in Germany.

**CREMASTER** (κρεμάω, to suspend). A muscle which draws up the testis.

**CREMOR PTISANÆ.** The thick juice of barley; panada water; gruel of frumenty. *Celsus*.

[**CRENATE** (*crenatus*, notched). Having rounded teeth. Applied to certain leaves, the margins of which have rounded projections or teeth. When these teeth are themselves crenate, the leaf is said to be *bicrenate*.]

**CREPITATION** (*crepito*, to creak). The grating sensation, or noise, occasioned by pressing the finger upon a part affected with emphysema; or by the ends of a fracture when moved; or by certain salts during calcination.

**CREPITUS** (*crepo*, to crackle). The peculiar rattle of pneumonia; the grating made by joints, in a deficiency of synovia, &c.

**CRETA.** Chalk; a friable carbonate of lime.

*Creta præparata.* Prepared chalk. This is common chalk, the coarser particles of which have been removed by washing.

**CRETINISM.** Imperfect development of the brain, with mental imbecility, usually conjoined with bronchocele, observed in the valleys of Switzerland and on the Alps. See *Goltre*.

**CRIBRIFORMIS** (*cribrum*, a sieve, *forma*, likeness). The name of the plate of the ethmoid bone, from its being perforated like a sieve.

**CRICOS** (κρίκος). A ring.





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2. *Crural arch*. The ligament of the thigh, also called inguinal ligament, ligament of Poupert, of Fallopius, &c.

CRUSTA (Latin). A shell; a scab.

1. *Crusta lactea*. Milk scall; the *Por-rigo larvalis* of Willan.

2. *Crustacea*. The fourth class of the *Diplo-gangliata*, or Entomoida, comprising articulated animals, with an exterior shell which is generally hard and calcareous.

CRYOLITE. The double hydrofluat of alumina and soda.

CRYOPHORUS (*κρύος*, cold, *φέρω*, to bring). Literally, the *frost-bearer*. An instrument for exhibiting the degree of cold produced by evaporation.

CRYPTÆ (*κρύπτω*, to hide). Mucous follicles which are concealed.

CRYPTOGAMIA (*κρυπτος*, hidden, *γάμος*, nuptials). The 24th class of plants in Linnæus's artificial system, comprehending those in which the function of reproduction has not been understood. All other plants are ranged under the class *Phanerogamia*.

CRYSTALLI. A term formerly applied to the appearances of *Varicella*, described as white shining pustules containing lymph.

CRYSTALLINE (*κρύσταλλος*, ice). A term applied to the lens of the eye.

CRYSTALLIZATION (*κρύσταλλος*, ice). The process by which the particles of liquid or gaseous bodies form themselves into *crystals*, or solid bodies of a regularly limited form.

1. *Alternate Crystallization*. This term is applied to a phenomenon which takes place when several crystallizable substances, having little attraction for each other, are present in the same solution. That which is largest in quantity and least soluble crystallizes first, *in part*; the least soluble substances next in quantity then begin to separate; and thus different substances, as salts, are often deposited in successive layers from the same solution.

2. *Crystallography* (*γράφω*, to describe). The science which investigates the *forms* of crystals. These have been considered as *primitive*, or fundamental; and *secondary*, or derived.

CU'BEBA (*cubob*, Indian). Cubebs, or Java Pepper, the berries of the *Piper Cubeba*, an Indian spice.

[*Cubebin*. A principle very analogous to, if not identical with piperin, obtained from Cubebs.]

CUBITUS (*cubo*, to lie down, from the ancients reclining on this part at meals).

The fore-arm, consisting of the *ulna* and *radius*.

CUBOIDES (*κύβος*, a cube, *εἶδος*, likeness). [Cuboid.] The name of a bone of the foot, somewhat resembling a cube, situated at the fore and outer part of the tarsus.

CUCULLA'RIS (*cucullus*, a hood). A broad *hood-like* muscle of the scapula.

[*Cucullate*. Hooded; having the apex and sides curved inwards.]

CUCUMIS COLOCYNTHIS. The Bitter Cucumber or Colocynth; a Cucurbitaceous plant, the fruit of which is the *colocynth* or *coloquintida* of commerce. There are two kinds of colocynth, the *Turkey* or *peeled*, and the *Mogadore* or *unpeeled* colocynth.

*Colocynthin*. The bitter or purgative principle of the colocynth gourd.

CUCURBITA (*à curvitate*). A gourd. A *gourd-like* vessel for distillation.

[CUCURBITA CITRULLUS. Watermelon. The seeds of this well known fruit are considered demulcent and diuretic, and an infusion of them is much used in domestic practice for strangury and other affections of the urinary passages.]

CUCURBITACEÆ (*cucurbita*, a gourd). The Gourd tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Climbing plants with *leaves* palmated, succulent; *flowers* unisexual, monopetalous; *stamens* cohering in three parcels; *ovarium* inferior; *fruit* fleshy; *seeds* flat; *testa* coriaceous.

CUCURBITULA (dim. of *cucurbita*). A cupping-glass; it is termed *cruenta*, when employed with scarification; *sicca*, when unaccompanied with scarification.

CUDBEAR. A colouring matter prepared from the lichen *Lecanora tartarea*, and named from Sir Cuthbert Gordon.

[CULILAWAN. An aromatic bark, produced by the *Cinnamomum Culilawan*. It is rarely used.]

CULINARY (*culina*, a kitchen). Any thing appertaining to the kitchen.

CULM. The name of the peculiar stem of grasses, sedges, &c.

CUMINUM CYMINUM. The Official Cumin; an Umbelliferous plant, yielding the fruit incorrectly termed *cumin seeds*. It is principally used in veterinary surgery.

*Cumen* or *cymen*. One of the two oils composing oil of cumin; a carbo-hydrogen. The other is an oxygenated oil, called *hydruret of cumyl*. Cumyl is a hypothetical base.

[CUNEATE (*cuneus*, a wedge). Wedge-shaped; inversely triangular, with round-



ed angles, as applied to certain leaves. [Synonymous with *cuneiform*.]

**CUNEIFORM** (*cuneus*, a wedge, *forma*, likeness). Wedge-like; the name of three bones of the foot, the *inner*, *middle*, and *outer cuneiform*.

**CUPEL** (*kuppel*, German). A small flat *cup*-like crucible, made of bone ash.

**Cupellation**. The process of purifying gold and silver by melting them with lead, which becomes first oxidated, then vitrified, and sinks into the *cupel*, carrying along with it all the baser metals, and leaving the gold or silver upon its surface.

**CUPOLA**. The dome-like extremity of the canal of the cochlea.

**CUPPING**. The abstraction of blood by the application of the cupping-glass.

**CUPRUM** (quasi *æs Cyprium*, from the island of Cyprus). Copper; a red metal, found in America, and some parts of England. By the alchemists it was called *Venus*. See *Copper*.

1. *Cupri sulphas*. Sulphate of copper, also called *blue vitriol*, *Roman vitriol*, *blue copperas*, *blue stone*, and *bisulphate of copper*.

2. *Cupro-sulphas ammoniæ*. Cupro-sulphate of ammonia, commonly called *ammoniated copper*, or *ammoniuret of copper*.

3. *Cupri sub-acetas*. Subacetate of copper, the *ærugeo* of the ancients; it is frequently termed *diacetate of copper*.

4. *Cupri acetas*. Acetate of copper, improperly called *distilled* or *crystallized verdigris*.

**CUPULIFERÆ** (*cupula*, a small cup). The Oak tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* amentaceous, dicæcious, apetalous; *ovarium* inferior, enclosed in a cupule; *fruit* a horny or coriaceous nut.

**CURA FAMIS**. Abstinence; or, literally, regard for fasting.

**CURARINE**. An alkaloid, extracted from the *Curara* or *Urali*, a substance used by the Indians for poisoning arrows.

**CURCUMA LONGA** (*kurkum*, Persian for saffron). The Long-rooted Turmeric, the tubers of which yield the *turmeric* of commerce.

1. *Curcuma angustifolia*. The Narrow-leaved Turmeric, the tubers of which yield the East Indian Arrow-root of commerce.

2. *Curcuma Zedoaria*. The species which yields the aromatic rhizome called *zedoary root*.

3. *Curcuma Zerumbet*. The species, perhaps, which yields the aromatic rhizome called *Zerumbet root*.

**CURCUMA PAPER**. Paper stained with a decoction of *turmeric*, and employed by chemists as a test of free alkali, by the action of which it receives a brown stain.

**CURCUMINE**. The colouring matter of turmeric, obtained in a state of purity by separating it from its combination with oxide of lead.

**CURD**. The coagulum which separates from milk, upon the addition of acid, rennet, or wine.

**CURETTE** (a spoon). [Scoop.] A spoon-like instrument for the extraction of the cataract.

**CUSPARIA BARK**. *Angostura Bark*. The produce, according to Humboldt, of the *Galipea cusparia*; according to Dr. Hancock, of the *G. officinalis*.

[*Cusparin*. A peculiar principle, crystallizable in tetrahedral prisms, obtained by Saladin from Angostura Bark.]

[**CUSPIDATE** (*cuspis*, a point). Spear-shaped; tapering to a stiff point; abruptly acuminate.]

**CUSPIDATI** (*cuspis*, a point). The canine or eye-teeth, See *Dens*.

[**CUTANEOUS** (*cutis*, the skin). Belonging to the skin.]

**CUTANEUS MUSCULIS** (*cutis*, skin). A name of the *platysma myoides*, or *latissimus colli*, a muscle of the neck; it has the appearance of a very thin fleshy membrane.

**CUTICLE** (dim. of *cutis*). The *epidermis* or scarf-skin; under this is the *cutis vera*, or *derma*, the true skin; and between these is the *rete mucosum*.

**CUTIS** (*κύτος*, the skin). The *derma*, or true skin, as distinguished from the cuticle, epidermis, or scarf-skin.

*Cutis anserina*. Goose-skin; an effect of cold upon the skin, in which the cutaneous tissue becomes dry and shrivelled, while the bulbs of the hairs become elevated and manifested.

**CYAN'OGEN** (*κύανος*, blue, *γεννάω*, to generate; so called from its being an essential ingredient in Prussian blue). Bicarburet of nitrogen; a gas. It forms, with oxygen, the *cyanic*, *cyanous*, and *fulminic acids*; and with hydrogen, the *hydro-cyanic* or *prussic*. All its compounds, which are not acid, are termed *cyanides* or *cyanurets*.

**CYANOPATHIA** (*κύανος*, blue, *πάθος*, disease). Blue disease; another term for cyanosis.

**CYANO'SIS** (*κύανωσις*, the giving a blue colour, from *κύανος*, blue). *Morbus Cæruleus*. Blue disease; *blue jaundice* of the ancients: a disease in which the



complexion is tinged with venous blood, from malformation of the heart. The term has been derived from *κύανος νόσος*, literally, *blue disease*; and it is synonymous with *plethora venosa*.

[CYATHIFORM (*cyathus*, a drinking-cup, *forma*, form). Cup-shaped.]

CYATHUS (*κύαθος*, a drinking-cup). A wine-glass, which may be estimated to contain an ounce and a half—as much as one could easily swallow at once. See *Cochleare*.

CYCAS CIRCINALIS. An East Indian Palm tree, the soft centre of which yields a kind of sago.

CYCLO-BRANCHIA (*κύκλος*, a circle. *βράγχια*, gills). Ring-gilled animals, as the chiton: Order 9, class *Gasteropoda*.

CYCLO-GANGLIATA (*κύκλος*, a circle, *γαγγλίον*, a nerve-knot). A term applied by Dr. Grant to the Fourth sub-kingdom of animals, or *Mollusca*, comprising animals mostly aquatic, slow-moving, or fixed, without internal skeleton, covered with a permanent calcareous or cartilaginous shell, and distinguished by the high developement of the cerebral ganglia, and their circular distribution around the œsophagus. The classes are the Tunicata, Conchifera, Gasteropoda, Pteropoda, and Cephalopoda.

CYCLO-NEURA (*κύκλος*, a circle, *νεῦρον*, a nerve). A term applied by Dr. Grant to the First sub-kingdom of animals, or *Radiata*, as expressive not only of the *circular form* of the nervous axis in this division, but also of its rudimental state of simple *filaments*. The classes are Poriphera, Polypiphera, Malactinia, and Echinoderma.

[CYCLOPS (*κύκλος*, a circle, *ὤψ*, an eye). A monster with a single eye, and that situated in the middle of the forehead.]

CYCLOSIS (*κύκλος*, a circle). A circular movement of the globular particles of the sap, as observed in the cells of *Chara* and *Nitella*, and in the jointed hairs projecting from the cuticle of several other plants. A similar motion has been recently found by Mr. Lister to exist in a great number of Polypiferous Zoophytes.

CYCLO-STOMI (*κύκλος*, a circle, *στόμα*, a mouth). Ring-mouthed fishes, as the lamprey.

CYDONIA VULGARIS. The Common Quince, a Pomaceous plant, the seeds of which are employed in medicine for the sake of their mucilage, which is called bassorin, or more strictly *cydonin*.

[CYMBIFORM (*cymba*, a boat, *forma*, likeness). Boat-shaped; navicular.]

CYME. A form of inflorescence resembling an umbel and a corymb, but with a centrifugal expansion, indicated by the presence of a solitary flower in the axis of the dichotomous ramifications.

[*Cymose*. Resembling a cyme, as applied to inflorescences and leafy branches.]

CYNANCHE (*κύων*, a dog, *ἄγχω*, to strangle). Literally, *dog-choke*. Squinancy, squincy, quincy, sore throat, throat disorder. "The disease is supposed by some to be named from its occasioning a noise in breathing like that made by dogs when being strangled. By others it is said to be from the patient being obliged to breathe like a dog, with open mouth and protruded tongue."—*Forbes*.

[CYNANCHUM VINCETOXICUM. White Swallow-wort. A plant of the family Apocinæa, formerly esteemed as a counter-poison. The leaves are emetic.]

CYNAPIA. An alkaloid discovered in the *Æthusa Cynapium*, or lesser hemlock.

CYNIPS QUERCIFOLII. A hymenopterous insect, whose habitation is the gall of the oak. The gall itself is called *cynipis nidus*, or the nest of the cynips.

[CYNOGLOSSUM OFFICINALE. Hound's Tongue. A plant of the family *Boraginæa*, common both in Europe and this country, supposed to possess narcotic properties. It has been used as a demulcent and sedative in pectoral affections, and applied externally to burns, ulcers, &c.]

CYNOLISSA (*κύων*, a dog, *λύσσα*, madness). Canine madness.

CYNOREXIA (*κύων*, a dog, *ὄρεξις*, appetite). Canine appetite.

CYNOSBATUS (*κύων*, a dog, *βάτος*, a bramble). *Rosa canina*. The dog-rose, which yields the *hep* of medicine.

CYRTO'SIS (*κυρτός*, curved). A term denoting, among the ancients, a recurvation of the spine, or posterior crookedness; as *lordosis* denoted procurvation of the head, or anterior crookedness. It has more recently, been termed *cyrtosis*, or "morbus incurvus." See *Hybosis*.

CYSTIS (*κύστις*, a bladder). By this term is meant an accidental membrane, forming a sort of shut sac, and containing a liquid or half-liquid matter, secreted by the membrane which encloses it.

1. *Cystis fellea* (*fel*, gall). The gall-bladder, a membranous reservoir, situated at the under surface of the right lobe of the liver.

2. *Cystic duct*. The duct leading from the gall-bladder, and uniting with the hepatic duct.





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**DATES.** The drupaceous fruit of the *Phoenix dactylifera*, or Date Palm tree.

**DATURA STRAMONIUM.** The Common Thornapple; a plant of the order *Solanaceæ*, the effects of which are similar to those of belladonna.

*Daturia.* A vegetable alkali said to exist in the Datura Stramonium.

**DAUCUS CAROTA.** Common or Wild Carrot; an indigenous Umbelliferous plant. The officinal root is that of the variety *sativa*, the cultivated or garden carrot. The officinal fruits, incorrectly called *carrot-seeds*, belong to the wild carrot.

1. *Rob dauci.* Carrot-juice; the expressed juice of the carrot-root. By standing, a feculent matter, called *amyulum dauci*, recently employed in medicine, is deposited.

2. *Carotin.* A crystalline, ruby-red neutral substance obtained from the carrot root.

**DAY-MARE.** *Ephialtes vigilantium.* A species of incubus, occurring during wakefulness, and attended with that severe pressure on the chest which peculiarly characterizes *night-mare*.

**DAY-SIGHT.** An affection of the vision, in which it is dull and confused in the dark, but clear and strong in the daylight; it is also called *nyctalopia*, or night-blindness. Hens are well known to labour under this affection; hence it is sometimes called *hen-blindness*.

[**DEAFNESS.** Diminution or total loss of hearing.]

[**DEATH.** The final cessation of all the functions which in their aggregate constitute life. *Real death* is distinguished from *apparent death*, the latter being simply the suspension of the same functions.]

**DEBILITY** (*debilis*, weak). Weakness, feebleness, decay of strength, both in mind and body.

**DECANDRIA** (*δέκα*, ten, *άνθρωπος*, a man). A class of plants in the Linnæan system, characterized by having ten stamens.

**DECANTATION.** The pouring off of clear fluid from sediments.

**DECIDUA** (*decido*, to fall off). A spongy membrane, or *chorion*, produced at the period of conception, and thrown off from the uterus after parturition.

1. *Decidua reflexa.* That portion of the decidua which is reflected over, and surrounds the ovum.

2. *Decidua vera.* That portion of the decidua which lines the interior of the uterus; the non-reflected portion.

**DECIDUOUS** (*decido*, to fall off).

Falling off; in botany synonymous with caducous, and opposed to *persistent*, which denotes permanence.

**DECLINATE** (*declino*, to turn aside). Bent downwards; applied in botany to the stamens, when they all bend to one side, as in amaryllis.

[**DECIGRAMME** (*decimus*, the tenth part, *γραμμα*, a gramme). The tenth part of a gramme, equal to 1.5434 grains Troy.]

**DECOCTION** (*decoquo*, to boil away). 1. The operation of boiling. 2. A solution of the active principle of vegetables, obtained by boiling them in water.

**DECOLLATION** (*decollo*, to behead, from *collum*, the neck.) Decapitation. The removal of the head.

**DECOMPOSITION.** *Analysis.* The separation of the component parts or principles of bodies from each other.

**DECORTICATION** (*de*, from, *cortex*, bark). The removal or stripping off of the bark, husk, &c.

**DECREPITATION** (*de*, from, *crepitus*, crackling). The crackling noise which takes place when certain bodies, as common salt, part with the water which they contain, by the application of heat, and fall to pieces.

[**DECUBITUS** (*decumbo*, to lie down). The posture of lying; the attitude in which the body reposes when lying down.]

**DECUMBENT** (*decumbo*, to lie down). Lying prostrate, but rising from the earth at the upper extremity, as applied to the directions taken by plants.

**DECURRENT** (*decurro*, to run down). Running down; applied to leaves which are prolonged down the stem, giving it a winged appearance.

**DECUSSATION** (*decusso*, to cross like an X). A term applied to parts which cross each other, as the optic nerve.

**DECUSSORIUM** (*decusso*, to divide). An instrument for depressing the dura mater, after trephining.

[**DEFECATION** (*de*, from, *fæces*, excrement). The separating of any thing from its excrement. In physiology, the act by which the residual portion of the food is extruded from the body. In chemistry and pharmacy, the separating of the sediment which forms in any fluid.]

[**DEFERENS** (*defero*, to convey from). Deferent. Applied in anatomy to the excretory canal of the testicle. See *Vas Deferens*.]

**DEFLAGRATION** (*deflagro*, to be utterly consumed by fire). The oxidation of metals by mixing them with nitrate or



chlorate of potash, and projecting the mixture into a red-hot crucible.

1. *Deflagrating mixtures*. These are generally made with nitre, the oxygen of which is the active ingredient in promoting their combustion.

2. *Deflagrator*. The name given by Dr. Hare to a very effective battery, in which the plates were so connected together as to admit of the whole being immersed into the exciting liquid, or removed from it, at the same instant.

DEFLUXION (*defluo*, to flow off). *Destillatio*, Catarrh. This term was formerly used, as well as *fluxion*, to denote a swelling arising from the sudden flow of humours from a distant part.

DEFRUTUM. A mixture made of new wine, mentioned by Celsus. The term appears to be derived à *deservendo*, contracted for *deservitum*, i. e. *decoctum*, See *Rob*.

[DEGENERATION or DEGENERESCENCE (*degenero*, to grow worse). A change in the intimate composition of bodies which deteriorates them.]

DEGLUTITION (*deglutio*, to swallow). The act of swallowing.

DEHISCENCE (*dehisco*, to gape or open). A term used in botany to denote the opening of a ripe fruit for the discharge of the seeds.

DEJECTIO ALVINA (*dejicio*, to cast down). The discharge of the fæces.

DELIQUESCENCE (*deliquesco*, to melt). The property of some salts, of becoming liquid by their attracting moisture from the air.

[In botany the term *deliquescent* is applied to a panicle which is so much branched that the primary axis disappears.]

DELIQUIUM ANIMI (*delinquo*, to leave). Syncope; fainting.

DELIRIUM (*deliro*, properly, to slip out of the furrow; from *de*, and *lira*, a furrow; figuratively, to talk or act extravagantly, to swerve from reason). Raving; phrensy; disorder of the brain.

1. *Delirium tremens*. A barbarous expression, intended to convey the idea of delirium coexisting with a tremulous condition of the body or limbs. It has been called brain fever, a peculiar disorder of drunkards, *delirium et mania è potu*, *delirium ebriositatis*, *erethismus ebriosorum*, &c.

2. *Delirium traumaticum*. A similar disease which occurs after serious accidents or operations. *Dupuytren*.

DELITESCENCE (*delitescio*, to lie hid). A term used principally by the French

physiologists to express a more sudden disappearance of the symptoms of inflammation than occurs in resolution.

DELPHINIC ACID. An acid procured from the oil of the *Delphinus delphis*. or dolphin.

DELPHINIUM STAPHISAGRIA. Stavesacre; a Ranunculaceous plant, of narcotico-acrid properties, depending on the presence of a peculiar principle called *delphinia*, and a volatile acid. The seeds have been used to destroy pediculi, and are hence termed by the Germans *louse-seeds*.

DELTOIDES (*δέλτα*, the Greek letter Δ, and *εἶδος*, likeness). [Shaped like Δ.] The name of a muscle of the humerus, from its supposed resemblance to the Greek letter Δ.

DEMENTIA (*de*, from, *mens*, the mind). Idiocy; absence of intellect.

DEMI-BAIN. The French term for a hip-bath; literally *half-bath*.

DEMULCENTS (*demulceo*, to soften). Softening and diluting medicines.

[DENGUE. A form of fever which prevailed in the West Indies and the Southern States in the years 1827 and 1828, attended with violent pains in the joints, and in many cases with a sort of miliary eruption.]

DENIGRATION (*de*, from, and *niger*, black). Another term for Melanosis, derived from its black appearance.

DENS. A tooth. The first set of teeth in children, called the *milk teeth*, consist of 20, which are shed in childhood, and replaced by 28 permanent teeth at about 7 years of age; to which are added 4 *dentes sapientiæ* or *wisdom teeth* at about the age of twenty.

The Classes of the teeth are three:—

1. *Incisores*, the front or cutting teeth.  
2. *Canini*, or *cuspidati*, the eye or corner teeth.

3. *Molares*, the grinders, the double or lateral teeth. The first two pairs have been termed *bicuspidati*, from their two conical tubercles; the three next, the large grinders or *multicuspidati*.

4. The teeth in the Adult are—  
In.  $\frac{4}{4}$ ; Can.  $\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{1}$ ; Mol.  $\frac{5}{5} - \frac{5}{5} = 32$ .

In Infants:

In.  $\frac{4}{4}$ ; Can.  $\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{1}$ ; Mol.  $\frac{2}{2} - \frac{2}{2} = 20$ .

5. In each tooth are observed, the *Crown*, above the alveolus; the *Neck*, just below the crown; and the *Fang* or *fangs*, within the alveolus.

6. The Structure of the Teeth is, 1. *Enamel*, encasing the crown, and the



hardest production of the body; 2. *Bone*, constituting the whole of the root, and the interior of the crown; and 3. the *Pulp*, a bulbous prolongation of the mucous membrane of the gums, which fills the cavity of the teeth, forming their nucleus.

**DENSITY** (*densus*, thick). The property of a body, by which a certain quantity of matter is contained under a certain bulk. It is opposed to *rarity*.

**DENTA'TA** (*dens*, a tooth). The name of the second vertebra, so called from its projecting *tooth-like* process.

[**DENTATE** (*dens*, a tooth). Toothed; in botany having sharp teeth with concave edges.]

[**DENTELLARIA** (*dentella*, a little tooth). *Plumbago Europæa*.]

**DENTIFRICÉ** (*dens*, a tooth). Various powders used for cleaning the teeth.

**DENTITION** (*dentio*, to breed teeth, from *dens*, a tooth). Cutting the teeth; teething. See *Dens*.

*Dedentition*. The loss or shedding of the teeth.

**DENUDATION** (*denudo*, to make bare). The laying bare of any part in operations.

**DEOBSTRUENTS** (*de*, from, *obstruo*, to obstruct). Medicines for removing obstructions.

**DEOXIDATION** (*de*, from, and *oxidation*). The separation of oxygen from a body; the reducing a body from the state of an oxide.

**DEPAUPERATED**. In botany, imperfectly developed; shrivelled, as from scanty nutriment, as applied to certain stipules, bracts, &c.

**DEPHLEGMATION** (*de*, from, and *phlegma*, a watery distilled liquor, as distinguished from a spirituous liquor). The depriving a body of water. Thus, when the fluid is simply rendered stronger, as in the case of alcohol, by bringing over the spirit by distillation, and leaving behind the superfluous water, the process is called *dephlegmation*, or concentration.

**DEPHLOGISTICATED** (*de*, from, and *phlogiston*, the inflammable principle). Oxidised; deprived of phlogiston.

1. *Dephlogisticated air*. Oxygen gas; called by Scheele *empyreal air*, and by Condorcet *vital air*.

2. *Dephlogisticated marine acid*. The name given by Scheele to chlorine.

**DEPILATORY** (*de*, from, *pilus*, a hair). An application for removing hair from any part of the body.

**DEPLUMATION** (*de*, from, *pluma*, a

feather). A disease of the eyelids, in which the hair falls off.

**DEPOSIT** (*depono*, to lay down). A sediment, or any thing laid down. The mechanical deposits of urine are divided by Dr. Prout into the *pulverulent*, or amorphous sediments; the *crystalline* sediments, or gravel; and the *solid* concretions, or calculi, formed by the aggregation of these latter sediments. See *Calculus*.

[**DEPRESSED** (*deprimo*, to press down). Flattened from apex to base, as applied to seeds.]

**DEPRESSION** (*deprimo*, to press down). [In anatomy a hollow or fossa. In surgery it is applied to fractures of the cranium, in which a portion of bone is forced inwards.] Couching; an operation for cataract, consisting in the removal of the opaque lens out of the axis of vision, by means of a needle.

**DEPRESSOR** (*deprimo*, to press down). A muscle which depresses any part, as those of the ala of the nose, of the angle of the mouth, of the lower lip.

**DEPRIMENS OCULI** (*deprimo*, to press down). A name given to the *rectus inferior*, from the action of this muscle in drawing the eyeball down. See *Attollens oculi*.

**DERBYSHIRE NECK**. A name given by Prosser to *bronchocele*, from its frequency in the hilly parts of that county.

**DERBYSHIRE SPAR**. Fluor spar. [q. v.]

**DERIVATION** (*derivo*, to draw off water from its regular channel). Revulsion, or drawing away of the fluids of an inflamed part, by applying blisters, &c., over it, as in pleuritis; or at a distance from it, as sinapisms to the feet, in comatose affections. Agents producing this effect, are termed *derivatives*.

**DERMA** (*δέρμα*). *Dermis*, or *chorium*. The cutis vera, or true skin, consisting of a superficial or *papillary* layer, and a deep layer or *corium*. See *Cuticle*.

1. *Dermic*. A term applied to the action of remedies through the skin.

2. *Dermoid* (*εἶδος*, likeness). A term applied to tissues which resemble skin.

**DERMATOLYSIS** (*δέρμα*, skin, *λύω*, to loosen). *Cutis pendula*. A form of hypertrophy of the skin, characterized by great extension of this organ, which is thrown into folds, forming occasionally large pendulous masses.

**DEROSNE'S SALT**. *Narcotine*; *Opiane*. A crystalline substance, obtained by treating opium with æther.





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scammony, digested for twelve hours, and evaporated to dryness.

9. *Dia-luric acid* (ούρον, urine). A new acid produced by the decomposition of alloxantin.

10. *Dia-lyses* (λύω, to dissolve). Solutions of continuity.

11. *Di-optics* (ὄπτομαι, to see). The laws of refracted light.

12. *Di-orthosis* (ὀρθόω, to regulate). The restoration of parts to their proper situation; one of the ancient divisions of surgery.

13. *Dia-pente*, (πέντε, five). Equal parts of myrrh, laurel berries, gentian root, ivory shavings, and birthwort root.

14. *Dia-pedésis* (πηδάω, to spring). A term formerly used to denote external aneurysm. "Per diapedesin," says Silvaticus, "id est, rarefactis ejus tunicis."

15. *Dia-phanous* (φαίνω, to shine). Transparent; the name given by Pinel to the serous membranes, from their transparency when detached from their organs, as the arachnoid, the omentum, &c. In Chemistry, the term denotes permeability to light.

16. *Dia-phoresis* (φορέω, to carry). Increased perspiration.

17. *Dia-phoretics* (φορέω, to carry). Medicines which increase the natural exhalation of the skin; when they are so powerful as to occasion sweating, they have been called *sudorifics*.

18. *Dia-phragma* (φράσσω, to divide). The midriff, or diaphragm: the transverse muscular septum which separates the thorax from the abdomen.

19. *Dia-phragmatic Gout*. A term applied by Butter to the affection now called Angina Pectoris.

20. *Dia-phragmatitis* (φράσσω, to divide). Inflammation of the diaphragm. A term sometimes applied to that variety of partial pleurisy in which the effused fluid exists between the base of the lung and the diaphragm.

21. *Dia-physis* (φύω, to be ingrafted). A term applied to the middle part, or *body*, of the long or cylindrical bones.

22. *Dia-pnoics* (διαπνοή, perspiration). A term synonymous with *diaphoretics* and *sudorifics*.

23. *Dia-rrhœa* (ρέω, to flow). A flux, or flowing through, or looseness. It is termed fluxus ventris, alvus fusa, lienteria, &c.

24. *Dia-scordium*. The Electuarium opiatum astringens; an electuary made of Water Germander or Scordium leaves, and other ingredients.

25. *Dia-stase*. A vegetable principle,

allied in its general properties to gluten, which appears in the germination of barley and other seeds, and converts their starch into gum and sugar for the nutrition of the embryo. The name is derived from διαστήμι, to separate, in reference to its property of separating two supposed constituents of starch.

26. *Dia-stasis* (διαστήμι, to separate). A forcible separation of bones, without fracture.

27. *Dia-stole* (διαστέλλω, to dilate). The dilatation of the heart and arteries. It is opposed to *Systole*.

28. *Dia-thermanous* (θερμαίνω, to warm). A term denoting free permeability to heat. It is synonymous with transcalent.

29. *Dia-thermancy*. The property possessed by nearly all diathermanous bodies, of admitting the passage only of certain species of calorific rays. When the *quantity* of heat transmitted independently of the *quality* is to be denoted, the term *diathermanicity* has been suggested by Melloni, in order to preserve the same termination as in the word *diaphaneity*, indicating the analogous property in relation to light.

30. *Dia-thesis* (τίθημι, to arrange). Constitutional disposition. Examples of diathesis are the rheumatic, the scrophulous dispositions, &c.

31. *Di-uresis* (ούρέω, to make water). A copious flow of urine. Hence the term *diuretics* is applied to medicines which promote the secretion of urine.

DIADELPHIA (δύς, twice, ἄδελφος, a brother). The seventeenth class of plants in Linnæus's system, in which the filaments of the stamens are united into two parcels, or *brotherhoods*.

[Hence *Diadelphous*, having the stamens arranged in two distinct fasciculi.]

DIAMOND. A gem; the crystallized and pure state of carbon, and the hardest and most brilliant body in nature.

DIANDRIA (δύς, twice, ἀνὴρ, a man). The second class of plants in Linnæus's system, characterized by the presence of two stamens.

[Hence *diandrous*, having two stamens, of about the same length.]

[DIANTHUS CARYOPHYLLUS. Clove Pink. A *Caryophyllaceous* plant, the flowers of which are used to flavour a syrup which serves as a vehicle for less pleasant medicines.]

DIARY FEVER (*dies*, a day). *Ephemera*. The simplest form of fever, distinguished by Dr. Fordyce as *simple fever*; it has one series of increase and decrease,



with a tendency to exacerbation and remission, for the most part appearing twice in twenty four hours.

**DICHOTOMOUS** (*δίχα*, doubly, *τέμνω*, to divide). A term applied to stems or branches which bifurcate, or are continually divided into pairs.

**DICOTYLEDONES** (*δῖς*, twice, *κοτυληδών*, a seed-lobe). Plants whose embryo contains two cotyledons or seed-lobes. See *Cotyledon*.

**DICROTIC** (*δῖς*, twice, *κρούω*, to strike). A term applied to the pulse, where the artery conveys the sensation of a double pulsation.

[**DICTAMUS ALBUS**. White Fraxinella. A plant of the family *Rutaceæ*, the root of which has been used as an-  
thelmintic, emmenagogue and stomachic, in doses of from ℞j. to ℥j. It is not used in this country.]

**DIDYM** (*δίδυμος*, twin). The name of a metal recently discovered united with oxide of cerium, and so called from its being, as it were, the twin-brother of lanthanum, which was previously found in the same body.

**DIDYMI** (*δίδυμος*, double). Twins. An obsolete term for the testes.

*Epi-didymis*, the body which lies above the testes.

[*Didymous* in Botany signifies growing in pairs.]

**DIDYNAMIA** (*δῖς*, twice, *δύναμις*, power). The fourteenth class of Linnæus's system of plants, characterized by the presence of four stamens, of which two are long, two short.

[Hence didynamous, having two pairs of stamens of unequal length.]

**DIET** (*δίαιτα*, regimen). The food proper for invalids. *La diète*, used by the French physicians, means extreme abstinence.

1. *Dietetics*. That part of medicine which relates to the regulating of the diet and regimen.

2. *Diet drink*. The Decoct. Sarsaparillæ comp. of the Pharmacopœia.

**DIFFUSION VOLUME**. A term adopted to express the different disposition of gases to interchange particles; the diffusion volume of air being 1, that of hydrogen gas is 3.33.

*Diffusion Tube*. An instrument for determining the rate of diffusion for different gases. It is simply a graduated tube, closed at one end by plaster of Paris, a substance, when moderately dry, possessed of the requisite porosity.

**DIGASTRIC GROOVE**. A longitudinal depression of the mastoid process,

so called from its giving attachment to the muscle of that name.

**DIGASTRICUS** (*δῖς*, twice, *γαστήρ*, a belly). Having two bellies; the name of a muscle attached to the os *hyoides*: it is sometimes called *biventer maxillæ inferioris*. The term is also applied to one of the interior *profundi* of Meckel, given off by the facial nerve; the other is called the *stylo-hyoideus*.

**DIGESTER**. A vessel of copper or iron, for preventing the loss of heat by evaporation.

**DIGESTION** (*digero*, from *diversim gero*, to carry into different parts). A term employed in various senses:—

1. In *Physiology*, the change of the food into *chyme* by the mouth, stomach, and small intestines; and the absorption and distribution of the more nutritious parts, or the *chyle*, through the system.

2. In *Surgery*, the bringing a wound into a state in which it forms healthy pus. Applications which promote this object are called *digestives*.

3. In *Chemistry*, the continued action of a solvent upon any substance.

**DIGESTIVE SALT OF SYLVIUS**. A salt discovered by Sylvius, since named muriate of potash, and now chloride of potassium.

**DIGITALIS PURPUREA**. Purple Foxglove; a plant of the order *Scrophulariaceæ*. The term is evidently derived from *digitale*, the finger of a glove, on account of the blossoms resembling finger-cases. See *Foxglove*.

*Digitalin*. A colourless acrid substance obtained from the above plant. See *Picrin*.

**DIGITUS** (*digero*, to point out). A finger or a toe—*pes altera manus*. The fingers of the hand are the *index*, or fore-finger; the *medius*, or middle finger; the *annularis*, or ring-finger; and the *auricularis*, or little finger. The bones of the fingers are called *phalanges*.

[*Digitate*. Fingered. In Botany diverging from a common centre.]

**DIGYNIA** (*δῖς*, twice, *γυνή*, a woman). The second order in Linnæus's system of plants, characterized by the presence of two pistils.

**DILATATION** (*dilato*, from *diversim fero*, tuli, latum). The act of enlarging or making wide any thing. In physiology, it may be a *temporary act*, as in the diastole of the heart; in pathology, a *permanent act*, as in the passive aneurysm of that organ.

[**DILATOR**. A term applied to muscles whose office is to dilate certain ca-



vities; also to instruments employed to dilate wounds, canals, &c.]

**DILL.** The common name of the *Anethum graveolens*.

**DILUENTS** (*diluo*, to dilute). Watery liquors, which increase the fluidity of the blood, and render several of the secreted and excreted fluids less viscid.

[**DIMIDIATE** (*dimidius*, half). Halved. In Botany, half-formed, or having one side only perfect.]

**DIMORPHISM** (*δῖς*, twice, *μορφή*, form). The property of many solid bodies to assume two incompatible crystalline forms; such are sulphur, carbon, arsenious acid, &c.

**DINUS** (*δίνη*, vortex). Vertigo, or giddiness; illusory gyration of the person, or of the objects surrounding him.

**DIOECIA** (*δῖς*, twice, *οἶκος*, a house). The twenty-second class of plants in Linnæus's system, in which the stamens and pistils are in separate flowers, and on separate plants.

[Hence *diœceous*, having stamens on one plant and pistils on another.]

**DIOPENES'S CUP.** A term applied to the cup-like cavity of the hand, occasioned by bending the metacarpal bone of the little finger.

[**DIOSMA.** See *Barosma* and *Buchu leaves*.]

**DIOSMEÆ.** The Buchu tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees and shrubs with *leaves* exstipulate, dotted; *flowers* axillary or terminal, polypetalous, hermaphrodite; *stamens* hypogynous; *ovarium* many-celled; *fruit* consisting of several concrete capsules; *seeds* twin or solitary.

[**DIOSPYROS.** Ph. U. S. Persimmon. The Bark of the Diospyros Virginiana. An indigenous plant, common in the Middle and Southern States, belonging to the natural order *Ebenaceæ*. The bark and unripe fruit are very astringent, and have been employed in chronic dysentery, uterine hemorrhage, ulcerated sore throat, &c.]

**DIOXIDE.** According to the electrochemical theory, the elements of a compound may, in relation to each other, be considered oppositely electric; the equivalents of the *negative* element may then be distinguished by Latin numerals, those of the *positive* by Greek; thus a *bin-oxide* denotes a compound which contains two equivalents of the *negative* element oxygen; whereas a *di-oxide* indicates that one equivalent of oxygen is combined with two of some *positive* body. And so of the *bi-chloride*, *di-chloride*, &c.

**DIPHTHERITE** (*διφθέρα*, skin). Under this term, Bretonneau has included not only the acute and gangrenous varieties of pharyngitis, both of which are accompanied by exudation of a false membrane, but also inflammation of the trachea; and he contends that this peculiar disease is identical with croup, arising from the same causes, and requiring the same mode of treatment.

**DIPLOE** (*διπλοῦς*, double). *Meditullium*. The cellular osseous tissue between the two tables of the skull.

**DIPLO-GANGLIATA** (*διπλοῦς*, double, *γαγγλίον*, a nerve-knot). A term applied by Dr. Grant to the Third Sub-kingdom of Animals, or *Entomoida*, consisting chiefly of articulated animals, with articulated members, the *insects* of Linnæus, having their nervous columns arranged in the same relative position as the *diplo-neura*, with the ganglia increased in size, and corresponding with the increased development of the segments and of their lateral appendages. The classes are myriapoda, insecta, arachnida, and crustacea.

**DIPLO-NEURA** (*διπλοῦς*, double, *νεῦρον*, a -nerve). A term applied by Dr. Grant to the Second Sub-kingdom of Animals, or *Helminthoida*, comprising the various forms of Worms, in which the nervous columns have their ganglionic enlargements very slightly developed, and are marked by a greater lateral separation from each other along the median line, than is observed in the next sub-kingdom.

**DIPLO'MA** (*δίπλωμα*). Originally, letters patent of a prince, written on waxed tables *folded* together. The term is now restricted to an instrument by which a legalized corporation confers a title of dignity, or a privilege to practise in a learned profession.

**DIPLOPIA** (*διπλοῦς*, double, *ὄψ*, the eye, from *ὄπτομαι*, to see). *Visus duplicatus*. A disease of the eye, in which the person sees an object double or triple; a species of *pseudoblepsis*. This disease is of two kinds:—1. The patient sees an object, double, treble, &c., only when he is looking at it with both his eyes, the object appearing single on his shutting one eye; or, 2. The patient sees every object double, whether he surveys it with one or both his eyes.

**DIPPEL'S OIL.** An animal oil procured by the destructive distillation of animal matter, especially of albuminous and gelatinous substances.

**DIPSACUS** (*δίψα*, thirst). A name





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vulgarly called the *snaffles*, or *snuffles*, from the state of the nostrils.

**DISTENTION** (*distendo*, to stretch out). The dilatation of a hollow viscus by too great accumulation of its contents.

**DISTICHIA** (*δῖς*, twice, *στρίχος*, a row). *Distichiasis*, A term applied by Gorræus, Heister, and St. Ives, to an affection in which each tarsus has a double row of eyelashes, which, inclining inward, irritate the eye, and keep up ophthalmia. See *Trichiasis*.

*Distichous*. Arranged in two rows, as the florets of many grasses. *Bifarious*.

**DISTILLATION** (*distillo*, to drop by little and little). The vaporization and subsequent condensation of liquids, by means of a retort, alembic, or still. Dry distillation is performed in the same way as the humid, except that the substance is neither immersed nor dissolved in any menstruum. It is termed *sublimation*.

1. *Distillation destructive*. The subjection of bodies to a red heat in close vessels, and the collection of the products.

2. *Destillatio per latus*, in which the vapour passes laterally from the retort to the receiver, where it is condensed.

3. *Destillatio per ascensum*, in which the vapour ascends into the head of the still, and thence passes into the worm, before it is condensed.

4. *Destillatio per descensum*, in which the vapour descends into a lower cavity of the vessel, to be condensed, the fire being placed over the materials.

**DISTOMA HEPATICUM** (*δῖς*, twice, *στόμα*, the mouth, *ἥπαρ*, the liver). The fluke, a worm sometimes found in the liver and gall-bladder of man, but more commonly of sheep, goats, &c.

**DISTORTION** (*distorqueo*, to wrest aside). A term applied to the spine, or limbs, when they are bent from their natural form.

**DISTORTOR ORIS** (*distorqueo*, to twist on one side). A name given to one of the zygomatic muscles, from its *distorting the mouth*, as in rage, grinning, &c.

**DISTRIX** (*δῖς*, twice, *θρίξ*, the hair). Forky hair; a disease of the hair, in which it splits at the ends.

**DIU'RESIS** (*διὰ*, through, *οὐρέω*, to make water). A large flow of urine.

*Diuretics*. Medicines which augment the urinary discharge.

**DIURNATION** (*diurnus*, daily). A term introduced by Dr. M. Hall to express the state of some animals, as the

bat, during the day, contrasted with their activity at night. Compare *Hibernation*.

**DIVARICATION** (*divarico*, to straddle). The bifurcation, or separating into two, of an artery, a nerve, &c.

**DIVERTICULUM NUCKII**. The opening through which the round ligament of the uterus passes.

**DIVI-DIVI**. The legume of the *Cæsalpinia coriaria*, imported from Carthage. It abounds in tannin.

**DOBEREINER'S LAMP**. A method of producing an instantaneous light, by throwing a jet of hydrogen gas upon recently-prepared spongy platinum; the metal instantly becomes red hot, and then sets fire to the gas. This discovery was made in 1824, by Prof. Doberiner of Jena.

[**DOCIMASCIA PULMONALIS**. The testing of the lungs of a fœtus, in order to ascertain whether it has respired, and consequently whether it was born living or dead.]

**DOCIMASTIC ART** (*δοκιμάζω*, to prove by trial). The art of assaying.

**DODECANDRIA** (*δώδεκα*, twelve, *ἀνὴρ*, a man). The eleventh class of plants in the Linnæan system, characterized by the presence of from twelve to nineteen stamens.

[**DOGMATIC** (*δογμα*, dogma, from *δοκεω*, to think). The name of an ancient sect of physicians, who endeavoured to discover the essence of diseases and their occult causes by reasoning, whilst a rival sect, the Empyrics, restricted themselves to experience, that is to the observation of facts].

**DOG-ROSE**. *Rosa Canina*. *Cynosbatum*. The ripe fruit is called *hip* or *hep*, and is used for making the confection of that name.

[**DOGWOOD**. The common name of the several species of *Cornus*.]

[**DOLABRIFORM** (*dolabella*, a hatchet, *forma*, resemblance). Hatchet-shaped.]

**DOLICHOS PRURIENS**. *Mucuna pruriens*. Cowhage; vulgo, *cow-itch*; a plant of the order *Leguminosæ*.

*Dolichi pubes*. L. The stiff hairs of the *Dolichos* pods, employed as a mechanical anthelmintic.

**DOLOMITE**. A magnesian limestone; a mixture or combination of the carbonates of lime and magnesia, having the crystalline form of calc-spar.

**DORE'MA AMMONIACUM** (*δώρημα*, a gift). The *Ammoniacum Dorema*; an Umbelliferous plant, which yields the ammoniacum of commerce, or the *Persian ammoniacum*. It occurs in the *tear*



and in *lump*. African ammoniacum is the produce of the *Ferula tingitana*.

**DORONICUM MONTANUM.** *Arnica montana*. Mountain Tobacco, or Leopard's Bane; a virulent plant of the order *Compositæ*, said to owe its noxious qualities to the presence of *cytisine*. On the continent it has obtained the name of *panacea lapsorum*.

**DORSTENIA.** A genus of *Urticaceous* plants, in which the flowers are arranged upon a fleshy receptacle, usually flat and expanded, and of very variable form. The *D. Braziliensis* is said to yield the *contrajerva root* which occurs in the shops. See *Contrajerva*.

**DORSUM** (Latin). The back; the round part of the back of a man or beast.

1. *Dorsal*. Appertaining to the back, as applied to a region, ligaments, &c.

2. *Dorsi-spinal*. A set of veins, forming a plexus around the spinous, transverse, and articular processes and arches of the vertebræ.

3. *Dorso-cervical*. The designation of the region at the back part of the neck.

**DOSE** (*δοσις*, from, *δίδωμι*, to give). A determinate quantity of a thing given.

*Rule*.—For children under twelve years, the doses of most medicines must be diminished in the proportion of the age, to the age increased by 12. Thus—

|                    |                                               |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| [At 1 year of age, | $\frac{1}{1+12} = \frac{1}{13}$               |
| 2 years "          | $\frac{2}{2+12} = \frac{2}{14} = \frac{1}{7}$ |
| 3 " "              | $\frac{3}{3+12} = \frac{3}{15} = \frac{1}{5}$ |
| 4 " "              | $\frac{4}{4+12} = \frac{4}{16} = \frac{1}{4}$ |
| 5 " "              | $\frac{5}{5+12} = \frac{5}{17}$               |

At 21 the full dose may be given.

It should be carefully remembered, however, that infants bear opiates far worse, and purgatives better, than according to the rule.

[The following list exhibits the doses for an adult, of the medicines (Ph. U. S.) most commonly employed in practice.]

|                              |                                       |
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| Absinthium . . . . .         | ʒj. to ʒij.                           |
| Acacia . . . . .             | ʒj. to ʒij.                           |
| Acetum colchici . . . . .    | ℥xx. to fʒj.                          |
| Acetum scillæ . . . . .      | fʒss. to fʒj.                         |
| [Acidum arseniosum . . . . . | gr. $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{8}$ .] |
| Acid. acetic. dil. . . . .   | fʒj. to fʒij.                         |
| Acid. benzoicum . . . . .    | gr. x. to ʒss.                        |

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| Acid. citricum . . . . .         | gr. x. to fʒss.              |
| [Acid. hydrocyanicum . . . . .   | ℥j. to ℥iv.]                 |
| Acid. muriaticum . . . . .       | ℥v. to ℥xx.                  |
| Acid. phosphoricum . . . . .     | ℥x. to fʒss.                 |
| Acid. nitric. dil. . . . .       | ℥x. to ℥xl.                  |
| Acid. tartaricum . . . . .       | gr. x. to ʒss.               |
| Acid. sulphuric. dil. . . . .    | ℥x. to ℥xl.                  |
| [Acid. tannicum . . . . .        | gr. ij. to gr. v.]           |
| Aconitum . . . . .               | gr. j. to gr. v.             |
| Æther sulphuricus . . . . .      | fʒss. to fʒij.               |
| Ærugo vel cupri subacet. . . . . | gr. $\frac{1}{4}$ to gr. ij. |
| Allii radice succus . . . . .    | fʒj. to ʒj.                  |
| Aloe . . . . .                   | gr. v. to gr. xv.            |
| Alumen . . . . .                 | gr. v. to ʒj.                |
| Ammoniacum . . . . .             | gr. x. to ʒj.                |
| Ammoniæ murias . . . . .         | gr. v. to ʒj.                |
| Ammonite subcarbonas . . . . .   | gr. v. to ʒj.                |
| Anethum . . . . .                | gr. xv. to ʒj.               |
| Anisum . . . . .                 | gr. xv. to ʒj.               |
| Anthem. . . . .                  | ʒj. to ʒij.                  |
| Antimonii sulphuret. . . . .     | gr. v. to gr. x.             |
| Antim. sulphur. præcip. . . . .  | gr. j. to gr. ij.            |
| Antimonium tart. diaph. . . . .  | gr. $\frac{1}{8}$ to gr. ss. |
| Antimonium tart., emet. . . . .  | gr. j. to gr. ij.            |
| Aqua anethi . . . . .            | fʒj. to ʒiv.                 |
| Aqua carui . . . . .             | fʒj. to ʒiv.                 |
| Aqua cinnamomi . . . . .         | fʒj. to ʒiv.                 |
| Aqua feniculi . . . . .          | fʒj. to ʒiv.                 |
| Aqua menthæ piperitæ . . . . .   | fʒj. to ʒiv.                 |
| Aqua menthæ viridis . . . . .    | fʒj. to ʒiv.                 |
| Aqua pimentæ . . . . .           | fʒj. to ʒiv.                 |
| Aqua pulegii . . . . .           | fʒj. to ʒiv.                 |
| Argenti nitras . . . . .         | gr. $\frac{1}{8}$ to gr. ij. |
| Armoraciæ radix . . . . .        | ʒj. to ʒj.                   |
| Assafœtida . . . . .             | gr. v. to ʒj.                |
| Balsamum Peruvianum . . . . .    | gr. x. to ʒss.               |
| Balsamum Tolutanum . . . . .     | gr. x. to ʒss.               |
| Belladonnæ folia . . . . .       | gr. ss. to gr. v.            |
| Benzoinum . . . . .              | gr. x. to ʒss.               |
| Bismuthi subnitras . . . . .     | gr. v. to gr. x.             |
| Bistortæ radix . . . . .         | gr. x. to ʒj.                |
| Cajuputi oleum . . . . .         | ℥j. to ℥iv.                  |
| Calami radix . . . . .           | gr. x. to ʒj.                |
| Calumbæ radix . . . . .          | gr. x. to ʒj.                |
| Cambogia . . . . .               | gr. v. to gr. x.             |
| Camphora . . . . .               | gr. ij. to ʒss.              |
| Canellæ cortex . . . . .         | gr. x. to ʒss.               |
| Cantharis . . . . .              | gr. ss. to gr. j.            |
| Capsici baccæ . . . . .          | gr. ij. to gr. x.            |
| Cardamines flores . . . . .      | ʒj. to ʒij.                  |
| Cardamomi semina . . . . .       | gr. v. to ʒj.                |
| Carui semina . . . . .           | ʒj. to ʒj.                   |
| Caryophylli . . . . .            | gr. v. to ʒj.                |
| Caryophylli oleum . . . . .      | ℥j. to ℥v.                   |
| Cascarillæ cortex . . . . .      | gr. x. to ʒss.               |
| Cassiæ pulpa . . . . .           | ʒij. to ʒj.                  |
| Castoreum . . . . .              | gr. v. to ʒj.                |
| Catechu extractum . . . . .      | gr. x. to ʒj.                |
| Centaurii cacumina . . . . .     | ʒj. to ʒj.                   |
| Cetaceum . . . . .               | gr. xv. to ʒiss.             |
| [Chenopodii semina . . . . .     | ʒj. to ʒij.]                 |
| [Cimicifugæ radix . . . . .      | gr. x. to ʒj.]               |



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| Cinchonæ cord. cortex .     | gr. x. to ℥ij.      | [Extract. krameris .       | gr. x. to ℥j.]       |
| Cinchonæ lanc. cortex .     | gr. x. to ℥j.       | Extract. lactucæ .         | gr. ij. to gr. xv.   |
| Cinchonæ oblong. cortex     | gr. x. to ℥j.       | Extract. opii .            | gr. j. to gr. iij.   |
| Cinchoniæ sulphas .         | gr. ij. to gr. vj.  | Extract. papaveris .       | gr. ij. to gr. x.    |
| Cinnamomi cortex .          | gr. v. to ℥j.       | Extract. rhei .            | gr. v. to ℥j.        |
| Cinnamomi oleum .           | ℥j. to ℥iv.         | Extract. sarsaparillæ      | gr. x. to ℥j.        |
| Colchici radix .            | gr. j. to gr. v.    | [Extract. scammonii        | gr. v. to gr. xij.]  |
| Colocynthis pulpa .         | gr. iij. to ℥ss.    | Extract. stramonii .       | gr. ¼ to gr. j.      |
| Confect. amygdalæ .         | ℥ss. to ℥j.         | Extract. taraxaci .        | gr. x. to ℥j.        |
| Confect. aromatica .        | gr. x. to ℥j.       | Ferri sulphas .            | gr. j. to gr. v.     |
| Confect. aurantii corticis  | ℥j. to ℥j.          | Ferri subcarbonas .        | gr. v. to ℥j.        |
| Confect. cassiæ .           | ℥j. to ℥j.          | Ferrum ammoniatum .        | gr. iij. to gr. x.   |
| Confect. opil .             | gr. x. to ℥ij.      | Ferrum tartarizatum        | gr. v. to ℥j.        |
| Confect. piperis nigri .    | ℥j. to ℥ij.         | Filieis radix .            | ℥j. to ℥ij.          |
| Confect. rosæ caninæ .      | ℥j. to ℥j.          | Fœniculi semina .          | ℥j. to ℥j.           |
| Confect. rosæ .             | ℥j. to ℥j.          | Galbani gummi-resina       | gr. v. to gr. xv.    |
| Confect. scammonii .        | ℥j. to ℥j.          | Gentianæ radix .           | gr. v. to ℥j.        |
| Confect. sennæ .            | ℥j. to ℥ss.         | Granati cortex .           | ℥j. to ℥j.           |
| Conii folia .               | gr. ij. to gr. x.   | Guaiaci resina .           | gr. x. to ℥j.        |
| Contrajervæ radix .         | gr. x. to ℥ss.      | Hellebori fœtidi folia     | gr. v. to ℥j.        |
| Copaiba .                   | ℥xv. to f ℥ss.      | Hellebori nigri radix      | gr. v. to ℥j.        |
| Coriandri semina .          | ℥j. to ℥j.          | Humuli strobili .          | gr. iij. to ℥j.      |
| Creta præparata .           | gr. x. to ℥ss.      | [Hydrarg. iodidum          | gr. j. to gr. iv.]   |
| Cubeba .                    | ℥j. to ℥ij.         | [Hydrarg. iodid. rubrum    | gr. ⅙ to gr. ¼]      |
| Cumini semina .             | ℥j. to ℥j.          | Hydrarg. oxyd. nigrum .    | gr. i. to gr. iij.   |
| Cupri sulphas, tonic .      | gr. ¼ to gr. j.     | Hydrarg. chlorid. corros.  | gr. ⅛ to gr. ¼.      |
| Cupri sulphas, emetic .     | gr. v. to gr. xv.   | Hyd. chlorid. mite, alter. | gr. ss. to gr. j.    |
| Cuprum ammoniatum .         | gr. ss. to gr. iij. | Hyd. chlorid. mite, cath.  | gr. iij. to gr. x.   |
| Cuspariæ cortex .           | gr. v. to ℥j.       | Hydrarg. sulphuret. nigr.  | gr. v. to ℥j.        |
| Dauci semina .              | ℥j. to ℥j.          | [Hyd. sulphas flavus,emet. | gr. ij. to gr. v.]   |
| Decoct. aloes comp. .       | f ℥ss. to f ℥iss.   | Hydrarg. cum cretâ .       | gr. iij. to gr. x.   |
| Decoct. cinchonæ .          | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.     | Hyoscyami folia .          | gr. iij. to gr. x.   |
| Decoct. dulcamaræ .         | f ℥ss. to f ℥j.     | Jalapæ radix .             | gr. x. to ℥j.        |
| Decoct. lichenis .          | f ℥ij. to f ℥ij.    | Infus. anthemidis .        | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.      |
| Decoct. sarsaparillæ .      | f ℥ij. to f ℥iv.    | Infus. armoraciæ .         | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.      |
| Decoct. sarsaparil. comp.   | f ℥ij. to f ℥iv.    | Infus. aurantii comp.      | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.      |
| Decoct. senegæ .            | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.     | Infus. calumbæ .           | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.      |
| Decoct. ulmi .              | f ℥ij. to f ℥iv.    | Infus. caryophyllorum      | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.      |
| Digitalis folia .           | gr. ss. to gr. iij. | Infus. cascarillæ .        | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.      |
| Dolichi pubes .             | gr. v. to gr. x.    | Infus. catechu comp.       | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.      |
| [Ergota .                   | gr. v. to ℥ss.]     | Infus. cinchonæ .          | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.      |
| Extract. aconiti .          | gr. ss. to gr. ij.  | [Infus. cinchonæ comp.     | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.]     |
| [Extract. aconiti alcohol.  | gr. ss. to gr. j.]  | Infus. cuspariæ .          | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.      |
| Extract. aloes .            | gr. v. to gr. xv.   | Infus. digitalis .         | f ℥ij. to f ℥ss.     |
| Extract. anthemidis .       | gr. x. to ℥j.       | Infus. gentianæ comp       | f ℥ss. to f ℥ij.     |
| [Extract. artemis. absinth. | gr. x. to ℥j.]      | [Infus. pruni Virginianæ   | f ℥ij. to f ℥ij.]    |
| Extract. belladonnæ .       | gr. ¼ to gr. ij.    | Infus. quassiæ .           | f ℥ss. to f ℥ij.     |
| Extract. cinchonæ .         | gr. x. to ℥ss.      | Infus. rhei .              | f ℥ss. to f ℥ij.     |
| [Extract. colchici acet. .  | gr. j. to gr. ij.]  | Infus. rosæ comp. .        | f ℥ss. to f ℥ij.     |
| Extract. colocynth. .       | gr. v. to ℥j.       | Infus. sennæ .             | f ℥ij. to f ℥iv.     |
| Extract. colocyn. comp. .   | gr. v. to ℥j.       | [Infus. serpentariæ .      | f ℥j. to f ℥ij.]     |
| Extract. conii .            | gr. ij. to gr. x.   | Infus. simarubæ .          | f ℥ss. to f ℥ij.     |
| [Extract. conii alcohol. .  | gr. ij. to gr. iv.] | [Infus. spigeliæ .         | f ℥iv. to f ℥viiij.] |
| [Extract. digitalis .       | gr. ss. to gr. ij.] | [Inulæ radix .             | ℥j. to ℥j.]          |
| [Extract. dulcamaræ .       | gr. v. to gr. x.]   | Ipecacuan. radix, diaph.   | gr. ss. to gr. ij.   |
| Extract. elaterii .         | gr. ss. to gr. j.   | Ipecacuanhæ radix,emet.    | gr. v. to ℥j.        |
| Extract. gentianæ .         | gr. v. to ℥j.       | Iodinum .                  | gr. ss. to gr. iij.  |
| Extract. hæmatoxyli .       | gr. x. to ℥ss.      | Juniperi baccæ .           | ℥j. to ℥j.           |
| Extract. humuli .           | gr. v. to ℥j.       | Kino .                     | gr. x. to ℥ss.       |
| Extract. hyoscyami .        | gr. ij. to gr. x.   | Lauri baccæ et folia       | gr. x. to ℥j.        |
| Extract. jalapæ .           | gr. v. to gr. xv.   | Lichen .                   | ℥j. to ℥j.           |
| [Extract. juglandis .       | ℥j. to ℥ss.]        |                            |                      |





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| Sp. ætheris sulphurici . . .          | f℥ss. to f℥j.               | Tinct. hellebori . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | ℥x. to f℥j.                            |
| Sp. ætheris sulph. comp. . .          | f℥ss. to f℥ij.              | Tinct. humuli . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | f℥ss. to f℥ij.                         |
| Sp. ammoniæ . . .                     | f℥ss. to f℥j.               | Tinct. hyoscyami . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | ℥xx. to f℥j.                           |
| Sp. ammoniæ aromat. . .               | f℥ss. to f℥j.               | Tinct. iodini . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ℥xv. to ℥xl.                           |
| Sp. ammoniæ scetidus . . .            | f℥ss. to f℥j.               | [Tinct. iodini comp. . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | ℥xx. to ℥xl.]                          |
| Sp. anisi . . .                       | f℥ss. to f℥j.               | Tinct. jalapæ . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | f℥j. to f℥ij.                          |
| Sp. carui . . .                       | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | Tinct. kino . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | f℥j. to f℥ij.                          |
| Sp. cinnamomi . . .                   | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | [Tinct. krameriæ . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | f℥j. to f℥ij.]                         |
| Sp. juniperi comp. . .                | f℥j. to f℥ss.               | [Tinct. lobeliæ, <i>expect.</i> . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | f℥j. to f℥ij.]                         |
| Sp. lavandulæ comp. . .               | f℥ss. to f℥ij.              | Tinct. lobelia, <i>emet.</i> , . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | f℥ij. to f℥ss.                         |
| Sp. menthæ piperitæ . . .             | f℥ss. to f℥ij.              | [Tinct. lupulinæ . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | f℥j. to f℥ij.]                         |
| Sp. menthæ viridis . . .              | f℥ss. to f℥ij.              | Tinct. myrrhæ . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | f℥ss. to f℥j.                          |
| Sp. myristicæ . . .                   | f℥ss. to f℥ij.              | Tinct. opii . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ℥v. to ℥xl.                            |
| Sp. pimentæ. . .                      | f℥ss. to f℥ij.              | [Tinct. opii acetata . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ℥vj. to ℥xij.]                         |
| Sp. rosmarini . . .                   | f℥ss. to f℥ij.              | [Tinct. opii camphorata . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | f℥j. to f℥ij.]                         |
| Spongia usta . . .                    | ℥ss. to ℥j.                 | Tinct. rhei . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | f℥j. to f℥ss.                          |
| Stannum . . .                         | ℥j. to ℥ij.                 | [Tinct. rhei et aloes . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | f℥ss. f℥j.]                            |
| Staphisagriæ semina . . .             | gr. ij. to gr. x.           | Tinct. rhei comp. . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | f℥j. to f℥ss.                          |
| Strychnia . . .                       | gr. $\frac{1}{8}$ to gr. j. | [Tinct. rhei et gentianæ . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | f℥ss. to f℥j.]                         |
| Styrax . . .                          | gr. x. to ℥ss.              | [Tinct. rhei et sennæ . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | f℥ss. to f℥iss.]                       |
| Sulphur lotum . . .                   | ℥ss. to ℥ij.                | Tinet. seillæ . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ℥x. to f℥ss.                           |
| Sulphur præcipitatum . . .            | ℥ss. to ℥ij.                | Tinct. senntæ comp. . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | f℥j. to f℥ss.                          |
| Syrupus aurantii corticis . .         | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | [Tinct. sennæ et jalapæ . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | f℥ij. to f℥j.]                         |
| [Syrupus ipecacuanhæ . . .            | f℥j. to f℥j.]               | Tinct. serpentariæ . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | f℥j. to f℥ij.                          |
| [Syrupus krameræ . . .                | f℥ij. to f℥ss.]             | Tinct. valerianæ . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | f℥j. to f℥ij.                          |
| Syrupus papaveris . . .               | f℥ss. to f℥ij.              | Tinct. valerianæ ammon. . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | f℥j. to f℥ij.                          |
| Syrupus rhamni . . .                  | f℥j. to f℥j.                | Tinct. zingiberis . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | f℥j. to f℥ij.                          |
| [Syrupus rhei . . .                   | f℥j. to f℥ij.]              | Tormentilla . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | ℥ss. to ℥ss.                           |
| [Syrupus rhei aromaticus . .          | f℥ss. to f℥iss.]            | Toxicodendri folia . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | gr. ss. to gr. iv.                     |
| Sy. scillæ comp. <i>expect.</i> , . . | f℥j. to f℥j.                | Tragacantha . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | gr. x. to ℥j.                          |
| [Syrupus senegæ . . .                 | f℥j. to f℥ij.]              | Valerianæ radix . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | ℥j. to ℥j.                             |
| Syrupus sennæ . . .                   | f℥j. to f℥ss.               | Veratria . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | gr. $\frac{1}{6}$ to gr. $\frac{1}{6}$ |
| Tamarindi pulpa . . .                 | ℥ij. to ℥j.                 | Vin. aloes . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | f℥j. to f℥ss.                          |
| Terebinthina . . .                    | ℥ss. to ℥j.                 | Vin. antimonii, <i>expect.</i> . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | ℥x. to f℥ss.                           |
| [Tinct. aconiti . . .                 | ℥xx. ℥xxx.]                 | Vin. colchici radicis . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | ℥x. to f℥j.                            |
| Tinct. aloes . . .                    | f℥j. to f℥iss.              | [Vin. colchici seminis . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | f℥j. to f℥iss.]                        |
| Tinct. aloes et myrrhæ . . .          | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | [Vin. ergotæ . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | f℥j. to f℥ij.]                         |
| Tinct. assafœtidæ . . .               | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | Vin. ipecacuanhæ, <i>diaph.</i> . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ℥x. to f℥ss.                           |
| Tinct. aurantii . . .                 | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | Vin. ipecacuanhæ, <i>emet.</i> . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | f℥ij. to f℥ss.                         |
| [Tinct. belladonnæ . . .              | ℥x. to ℥xx.]                | Vin. opii . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | ℥v. to ℥xl.                            |
| Tinet. benzoini comp. . .             | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | [Vin. rhei . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | f℥j. to f℥ss.]                         |
| Tinct. colombæ . . .                  | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | Vin. veratri albi . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | ℥v. to f℥ss.                           |
| Tinct. camphoræ . . .                 | ℥v. to ℥j.                  | Uva ursi . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | gr. x. to ℥ss.                         |
| Tinct. cantharidis . . .              | ℥x. to f℥j.                 | Zinci oxydum . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | gr. j. to gr. vj.                      |
| Tinct. capsici . . .                  | ℥x. to f℥j.                 | Zinci sulphas, <i>tonic</i> . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | gr. j. to gr. ij.                      |
| Tinet. cardamomi . . .                | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | Zinci sulphas, <i>emetic</i> . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | gr. x. to ℥j.                          |
| Tinct. cardamomi comp. . .            | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | Zingiberis . . .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | gr. v. to ℥ss.                         |
| Tinct. castorei . . .                 | f℥ss. to ℥ij.               | DOSSIL. A term applied to lint, when made up in a cylindrical form.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                        |
| Tinct. catechu . . .                  | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | DOTHINENTERITE ( <i>δοθινῆ</i> ), a pustule, <i>έντερον</i> , an intestine). A term applied by M. Bretonneau to inflammation of the glands of Peyer and Brunner.                                                                                                                    |                                        |
| Tinct. cinchonæ . . .                 | f℥j. to f℥ij.               | DOUBLER. An instrument employed in electrical experiments, and so contrived that, by executing certain movements, very small quantities of electricity communicated to a part of the apparatus may be continually <i>doubled</i> , until it becomes perceptible by an electroscope. |                                        |
| Tinct. cinchonæ comp. . .             | f℥j. to f℥ss.               | DOUCHE ( <i>duccia</i> ). Affusion. The term applied to a column or current of                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                        |
| Tinct. cinnamomi . . .                | f℥ij. to f℥ij.              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| Tinct. cinnamomi comp. . .            | f℥j. to f℥ij.               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| [Tinct. colchici seminis . . .        | f℥ss. to f℥iss.]            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| [Tinct. conii . . .                   | ℥xx. to f℥j.]               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| [Tinct. cubebæ . . .                  | f℥j. to f℥ij.]              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| Tinct. digitalis . . .                | ℥vj. to ℥xx.                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| Tinct. ferri ammoniati . . .          | f℥ss. to f℥ij.              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| Tinct. ferri chloridi . . .           | ℥x. to f℥ss.                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| Tinct. gentianæ comp. . .             | f℥j. to f℥ij.               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| Tinct. guaiaci . . .                  | f℥j. to f℥ij.               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |
| Tinct. guaiaci ammon. . .             | f℥j. to f℥ij.               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |



fluid directed to, or made to fall on, some part of the body. According as the fluid employed is water or aqueous vapour, the application is called the *liquid douche*, or the *vapour douche*. According to the direction in which it is applied, we have the *descending*, the *lateral*, and the *ascending* douche.

**DOVE-TAIL JOINT.** The suture or serrated articulation, as of the bones of the head.

**DOVER'S POWDER.** A valuable sudorific; the *Pulvis Ipecacuanhæ et Opii*. Ph. U. S.

**DRACINE** (*draco*, a dragon). A precipitate formed by mixing cold water with a concentrated alcoholic solution of dragon's blood.

[**DRACONTIUM.** Skunk Cabbage. The root of the *Dracontium foetidum*. An indigenous plant of the order Araceæ, the root of which is reputed to be stimulant, antispasmodic, and narcotic. Dose, grs. x to xx.]

**DRACUNCULUS** (dim. of *draco*, a dragon). The Guinea Worm, which breeds under the skin, and is common among the natives of Guinea, &c.

**DRAGANTIN.** A mucilage obtained from gum tragacanth.

**DRAGON'S BLOOD.** *Sanguis draconis*. A term applied to certain resinous substances, mostly obtained from some palms of the genus *Calamus*; to a product of the *Dracæna draco*; also to a substance obtained from the *Pterocarpus draco*.

**DRASTICS** (*δράω*, to effect). Purgatives which operate powerfully.

**DRAUGHT.** *Haustus*. A liquid form of medicine, differing from a mixture only in quantity. It is usually taken at once, and should not exceed an ounce and a half.

**DRENCH.** A form of medicine used in farriery, analogous to a draught.

**DRIMYS WINTERI.** *Wintera aromatica*. The plant which yields the bark called Winter's bark. Under the name of *casca d'anta*, it is much used in Brazil against colic. It was employed by Winter in scurvy, but is now obsolete.

**DRIVELLING.** Slavering; an involuntary flow of saliva, from a want of command over the muscles of deglutition.

**DROPS.** *Guttæ*. A form of medicine in which the dose is measured by drops, as ague drop, black drop, &c.

**DROPSY** (from the Greek, ὕδρωψ—Latin, *hydrops*:—Th. ὕδωρ, water, and ὤψ, the look or aspect). *Aqua intercutem*. An effusion into the cellular tissue, or into any of the natural cavities

of the body. With the addition of the epithet *encysted*, it designates a collection of serous fluid in a sac, of which the ovarium is most frequently the seat. See *Hydrops*.

**DRUPE.** A pulpy fruit, without a valve or outward opening, containing a bony nut, as the cherry. It is commonly called a *stone-fruit*.

*Drupaceous.* That kind of fruit which has an indehiscent pericarp, fleshy externally, stony internally, as the peach.

**DRY CUPPING.** The application of the cupping-glass, *without scarification*, in order to produce revulsion of blood from any part of the body.

**DRY PILE.** The name of a galvanic apparatus, constructed with pairs of metallic plates, separated by layers of farinaceous paste mixed with common salt. The name is inappropriate, as the apparatus evidently owes its efficacy to the moisture of the paste.

**DRY ROT.** A species of decay to which wood is subject. The wood loses all its cohesion, and becomes friable, and fungi generally appear upon it; but the first destructive change is probably of a chemical kind, allied to the action of fermentation.—*Graham*.

**DRY VOMIT OF MARRIOTT.** A vomit exhibited without drink, and consisting of equal proportions of tartarized antimony and sulphate of copper.

**DRYOBALANOPS AROMATICA.** A tree of the order Dipteraceæ, yielding a liquid called *camphor oil*, and a crystalline solid termed *Sumatra* or *Borneo camphor*.

**DUCTILITY** (*duco*, to draw). That property of bodies by which they admit of being drawn out into wire.

**DUCTUS** (*duco*, to lead). A duct; a conduit-pipe for the conveyance of liquid.

1. *Ductus hepaticus*. The duct which results from the conjunction of the proper ducts of the liver.

2. *Ductus cysticus*. The excretory duct which leads from the neck of the gall-bladder to join the hepatic, forming with it the following duct.

3. *Ductus communis choledochus*. The bile duct, formed by the junction of the cystic and hepatic ducts.

4. *Ductus pancreaticus*. The pancreatic duct, which joins the gall-duct at its entrance into the duodenum. Near the duodenum this duct is joined by a smaller one, called *ductus pancreaticus minor*.

5. *Ductus arteriosus*. A tube which, in the fœtus, joins the pulmonary artery with the aorta. It degenerates, after birth, into a fibrous cord.



6. *Ductus venosus*. A branch which, in the fœtus, joins the inferior vena cava with the umbilical vein.

7. *Ductus ad nasum*. A duct continued from the lachrymal sac, and opening into the inferior meatus of the nose.

8. *Ductus incisorius*. A continuation of the foramen incisivum between the palatine processes into the nose.

9. *Ductus lymphaticus dexter*. A duct formed by the lymphatics of the right side of the thorax, &c., and opening into the junction of the right jugular and subclavian veins.

10. *Ductus prostatici*. The ducts of the prostate, from twenty to twenty-five in number, opening into the prostatic urethra, on each side of the veru montanum.

11. *Ductus deferens*. Another name for the *vas deferens*, which arises from the tail of the epididymis, and enters the spermatic cord.

12. *Ductus galactiferi*. vel *lactiferi*. Milk-ducts, arising from the glandular grains of the mamma, and terminating in sinuses near the base of the nipple.

13. *Ductus thoracicus*. The great trunk formed by the junction of the absorbent vessels.

14. *Ductus thoracicus dexter*. A designation of the right great lymphatic vein, formed of lymphatic vessels arising from the axillary ganglia of the right side.

15. *Ductus ejaculatorius*. A duct within the prostate gland, opening into the urethra; it is about three quarters of an inch in length.

16. *Duct of Steno*. The excretory duct of the parotid gland.

17. *Duct of Wharton*. The excretory duct of the submaxillary gland. These two last, with the sublingual, constitute the *salivary ducts*.

18. *Ducts of Bellini*. The orifices of the uriniferous canals of the kidneys.

DUELECH. A term employed by Van Helmont to denote the state in which the spirit of urine is precipitated when it forms calculous concretions.

DULCAMA'RA (*dulcis*, sweet, *amarus*, bitter). Woody Nightshade, or Bittersweet; a species of *Solanum*. The twigs of this plant yield a salifiable principle called *solanine*; a bitter principle, of a honey smell and sweet after-taste, called *picro-glycion*; and a sweet principle, called *dulcarine*.

DULCE'DO SPUTORUM. The name given by Frank to sweet-spittle, or that form of ptyalism, in which the saliva is

distinguished by a sweet or mawkish taste.

DUMASINE. An empyreumatic oil, obtained by rectifying acetone derived from the acetates.

DUMOSE (*dumus*, a bush). Bushy. A shrub which is low and much branched.

DUNT. The provincial name of a staggering affection, particularly observed in yearling lambs, occasioned by hydatids of the brain.

DUODENUM (*duodeni*, twelve). *Ventriculus suæcenturiatus*. The twelve-inch intestine, so called from its being equal in length to the breadth of twelve fingers; the first portion of the small intestines, beginning from the pylorus. The inner surface of the duodenum is covered by a mucous membrane, presenting a number of folds, called the *valvulæ conniventes*.

[*Duodenitis*. Inflammation of the duodenum.]

DUPLUM (*duo*, two, *plica*, a fold). Two-fold, as *duplo-carburet*, two-fold carburet.

[*Duplicature*. The folding of a part upon itself.]

DURA MATER (*hard mother*). *Meninge exterior*. The outermost membrane of the brain. See *Matres*.

DURA'MEN (*durus*, hard). The interior, more deeply-coloured, and harder portion of the trunk and branches of trees, commonly called *heartwood*, as distinguished from the exterior portion, *alburnum*, or sapwood.

DUTCH GOLD. An alloy of copper and zinc, in which the zinc is in greater proportion than it exists in brass. It is allied to *tombac* and *pinchbeck*.

DUTCH MINERAL. Metallic copper beaten out in very thin leaves.

DUTCH PINK. Chalk or whiting, dyed yellow, with a decoction of birch-leaves, French berries, and alum.

DYES. Colouring matters, derived from vegetable substances. Colouring matters form, with several metallic oxides, insoluble compounds called *lakes*.

DYS- (*δύς*). An adverb, signifying *with difficulty*; *badly*. Hence—

1. *Dys-æsthesia* (*αἰσθάνομαι*, to perceive). Impaired feeling. Dr. Young terms defective memory *dysæsthesia interna*.

2. *Dys-cataposis* (*κατάποσις*, the act of swallowing, from *καταπίνω*, to swallow). Difficulty of swallowing liquids; a term applied by Dr. Mead to hydrophobia.

3. *Dys-chroa* (*χρῶα*, colour). A discoloured state of the skin.





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5. *Eau de Néphre*. Aqua naphæ. A bitter aromatic water, prepared by distilling the leaves of the Seville orange with water.

6. *Eau de Rabel*. Aqua Rabelliana. So named from its inventor, the empiric Rabel. It consists of one part of sulphuric acid and three of rectified spirit of wine, constituting a sort of sulphuric ether.

7. *Eau de Vie*. Aqua vitæ. Ardent spirit of the first distillation.

EBLANIN. *Pyroxanthin*. A substance obtained from raw pyroxylic spirit.

EBULLITION (*ebullio*, to bubble up). The boiling or bubbling of liquids; the production of vapour at the *boiling* point.

EBUR USTUM NIGRUM. *Cologne black*. Ivory black; charcoal prepared from charred ivory shavings.

ECBOLICA (*ἐκβόλιον*, a medicine which expels the fœtus). *Amblotica*. Medicines which excite uterine contractions, and thereby promote the expulsion of the contents of the uterus.

ECCHYMOMA (*ἐκχύω*, to pour out). A term synonymous with Ecchymosis, or extravasation, or that form of the affection which takes the name *vibices*; it is sometimes called *crustula* and *sugillatio*.

*Ecchymoma lymphatica*. A term which has been given to puerperal tumid-leg, or phlegmasia dolens.

ECCHYMO'SIS (*ἐκχύω*, to pour out). Extravasated blood, from bruises; in typhus, purpura, &c. It assumes the several forms of—

1. *Petechiæ*. Stigmata, or specks.
2. *Vibices*, or *ecchymomata*. Patches.
3. *Sanguineous discharges*.

[ECCOPROTICA (*εξ*, out of, *κοπρος*, fæces). Mild aperients or laxatives. See *Cathartics*.]

ECCRITICA (*ἐκκρίνω*, to strain off). Diseases of the excrement function.

ECCYESIS (*ἐκκυέω*, to be pregnant). Extra-uterine fœtation; imperfect fœtation in some organ exterior to the uterus, as in one of the ovaria, the Fallopian tube, or the cavity of the abdomen.

ECHI'NUS (*ἐχῖνος*, the sea hedge-hog). A calcareous petrification of the echinus.

[*Echinata*. Bristly; covered with stiff hairs or prickles, like an echinus; as the fruit of the chestnut.]

*Echino-derma* (*δέρμα*, skin). The fourth class of the *Cyclo-neura*, or *Radiata*, consisting of simple aquatic animals, covered with a spiny shell or a coriaceous skin.

ECLAMPSIA (*ἐκλάμπω*, to shine forth).

*Circuli ignei*. Convulsive motions, especially of the mouth, eyelids, and fingers, so excessively rapid that it is often difficult to follow them.

ECLEGMA (*ἐκλείχω*, to lick.) *Linctus*; *linctuarium*. A pharmaceutical preparation of a certain consistence, and of a sweet flavour. See *Lohoch*.

ECPHLYSIS (*ἐκφλύζω*, to bubble up). Vesicular eruption confined in its action to the surface. This term comprehends the several species of pompholyx, herpes, rhyphia, and eczema. Compare *Emphlysis*.

ECPHRONIA (*ἐκφρων*, out of one's mind). Insanity; craziness; a term comprising the species melancholy and madness.

ECPHYMA (*ἐκφύω*, to spring out). A cutaneous excrescence, including the several species verruca, caruncula, clavus, callus.

ECPYESIS (*ἐκπυέω*, to suppurate). Humid scall, including the species impetigo, porrigo, ecthyma, and scabies. Compare *Empyesis*.

ECS'TASIS (*ἐξίσταμαι*, to be out of one's senses). Ecstasy, or trance.

EC'THYMA (*ἐκθύω*, to break out). An eruption on the skin. Irritable pustule. Papulous scall. Tetter; ulcerated tetter. Inflammation of the sebaceous follicles, characterized by phlyzaceous pustules.

ECTOPIÆ (*ἐκ*, out, *τόπος*, a place). Displacement of bones; luxations.

ECTROPIUM (*ἐκτρέπω*, to evert). *Eversio palpebræ*. Eversion of the eyelids. Compare *Entropium*.

EC'ZEMA (*ἐκζέω*, to boil out). Literally, that which is thrown up by boiling. Heat eruption; minute vesicles, which form into thin flakes or crusts.

1. *Eczema solare*. Sun heat; heat spots; arising in a part which has been exposed to the direct rays of the sun.

2. *Eczema impetiginodes*. Depending on a local irritation, and constituting the *grocers'* and the *bricklayers'* itch, according as the exciting cause is sugar or lime.

3. *Eczema rubrum*. Excited by the use of mercury, and formerly called *erythema mercuriale*.

EDENTATA (*edentulus*, toothless). Toothless animals; quadrupeds without front teeth, as the armadillo.

EDULCORATION (*dulcis*, sweet). The sweetening of any medicinal preparation. Also the process of freeing a difficultly soluble substance from one that is easily soluble, by means of distilled water. It differs little from *lixivation*, except that the former term respects the



insoluble residue, the latter the soluble portion.

**EDULCORATOR.** *Dropping Bottle.* An instrument for supplying small quantities of water to test tubes, watch-glasses, &c. It is made by inserting a cork, containing a glass tube, into a phial holding some distilled water. The phial being inverted, the portion of air confined above the liquid is expanded by the warmth of the hand, and expels the water, drop by drop, or in a stream, according as the position of the phial is perpendicular or horizontal.

**EEL OIL.** An oil procured from eels by roasting, employed as an ointment for stiff joints, and by ironmongers for preserving steel from rust.

[**EFFERENT** (e, from; *fero*, to convey). A term given to vessels which convey a fluid from glands. See *Vasa efferentia*.]

**EFFERVESCENCE** (*effervesco*, to grow hot). The commotion produced in fluids by the sudden escape of gas, in the form of bubbles, as on pouring acid on chalk.

**EFFERVESCING DRAUGHT.** Dissolve a scruple of carbonate of soda or potass in an ounce of water, and two drachms of cinnamon water with a drachm and a half of syrup of orange peel; add a tablespoonful of fresh lemon juice, and drink the mixture immediately.

**EFFLORESCENCE** (*effloresco*, to blow as a flower). The pulverescence of crystals, by the removal of their moisture, on exposure to the air. It is opposed to *deliquescence*. [In pathology it signifies an eruption of the skin. See *Exanthema*.]

**EFFLUVIA** (*effluo*, to flow out). Exhalations, vapours, &c. They are distinguished into the *contagious*, as the rubeolous; *marsh*, as miasmata; and those arising from *animals* or *vegetables*, as *odours*.

**EFFUSION** (*effundo*, to pour out). The escape of a fluid out of its natural vessel or viscus into another part. Also, the secretion of fluids from the vessels, as of lymph or serum, on different surfaces.

**EGESTA** (*egero*, to carry out). A Latin term for the substances *carried out* of the body, as the *fæces*, &c. See *Ingesta*.

**EIGHTH PAIR, or PNEUMO-GASTRIC.** The nerve which supplies the lungs, the heart, the stomach, &c.,—the exciter of respiration.

[**EILOID** (*ειλωω*, to coil, *ειδος*, likeness). *Eiloides*. A name given by Dr. J. C. Warren to dermoid tumours, in which

the skin has the appearance of a roll or coil.]

**EJACULATOIRES** (*ejaculo*, to cast out). A pair of muscles surrounding the whole of the bulb of the urethra. As *ejaculatores seminis*, they act under the influence of the reflex function; as *acceleratores urinæ*, as voluntary muscles.

[**ELABORATION** (*laboro*, to labour). The different changes which assimilable substances undergo, by the action of the living organs, before becoming nutritive.]

**ELÆOSACCHARA** (*ἔλαιον*, oil, *saccharum*, sugar). The mixtures or compounds of volatile oils and sugar.

**ELAIDIC ACID** (*ἔλαιον*, oil). An acid related to the oleic acid of oils.

**ELAIDINE.** A white saponifiable fat, consisting of elaidic acid and glycerin.

**ELAIN** (*ἔλαιον*, oil). The more fluid part of one of the proximate principles of fat. This and *stearine* constitute the fixed oils.

**ELAIODON** (*ἔλαιον*, oil). The name given by Herberger to the igreusine of Boullay. See *Igreusine*.

**ELAIOMETER** (*ἔλαιον*, oil, *μέτρον*, a measure). An instrument for detecting the adulteration of olive oil.

**ELAIS GUINEENSIS.** The Guinea Palm, which yields the palm oil, and, it is said, the best kind of palm wine.

**ELALDEHYDE.** The coherent mass into which pure and anhydrous aldehyde is transformed, when kept for some time at 32°.

**ELAOPTEN** (*ἔλαιον*, oil). The liquid portion of a volatile oil. The concrete portion is called *stearopten*. The volatile oils, when exposed to cold, generally separate into a solid and a liquid portion, showing that they are mixtures of two oils differing in fluidity. These terms were first applied to the solid and fluid portions of fixed oils.

**ELASTIC GUM.** Caoutchouc; Indian rubber; the produce of the *Ficus elastica* and other plants.

**ELASTICITY.** The property or power by which a body compressed or extended returns to its former state.

**ELATER** (*ἐλαύνω*, to drive). A spiral fibre, found in great numbers mixed with the sporules, in the thecæ of some cryptogamic plants.

**ELATERIUM** (*ἐλαύνω*, to stimulate). A term applied by the Greeks to any purgative substance. It now denotes a substance procured from the juice surrounding the seeds of the *Momordica Elaterium*, or Squirting Cucumber. There are two kinds, the English and the Maltese.



*Elaterin*. A crystalline substance, constituting the active principle of elaterium. Dr. Paris applied the term *elatin* to this substance combined with the green resin also found in *elaterium*.

ELATIO. Quixotism; a species of mental extravagance, so named by the rhetoricians, and importing, with them, "elevated, exalted, magnificent style or imagery."

ELAYL. The name given by Berzelius to hydruret of acetyl, otherwise called olefiant gas, and etherine.

ELDER. The *Sambucus nigra*. The dried berries are called *grana actes*; and their inspissated juice, *elder rob*.

ELECAMPANE (contracted from *enula campana*). The *Inula Helenium*, a plant of the order *Compositæ*, the root of which yields a white starchy powder, called *inuline*.

ELECTRICITY (*ἤλεκτρον*, amber, the substance in which the electric property was first discovered). The fluid or property in nature which is called into action in its simplest form by rubbing—

1. *Glass*—which exhibits the vitreous, plus, or positive electricity; i. e. when the substance is overcharged;

2. *Resin or Amber*—which exhibits the resinous, minus, or negative electricity; i. e. when the substance is undercharged.

#### *Phenomena of Electricity.*

1. *Excitation*, or the disturbance of the electric equilibrium by friction, elevation of temperature, contact, &c. Bodies have been distinguished into *conductors* and *non-conductors*, according to the facility with which the electric influence passes, or is conducted along their surfaces.

2. *Attraction*, or the law by which light bodies move rapidly towards an excited surface.

3. *Repulsion*, or the law by which light bodies fly off from an electrified surface, after contact.

4. *Distribution*, or the law by which electrified bodies transfer their properties to others with which they come in contact. It is similar to the *conduction* of caloric.

5. *Induction*, or the law by which an electrified body tends to produce in contiguous substances an electric state opposite to its own.

6. *Tension or intensity*, or the degree to which a body is excited, as estimated by the electrometer. It must be distinguished from *quantity*.

7. *Electrode* (*ὁδός*, a way). A term synonymous with *pole*; it denotes the boundary of the decomposing matter in

the direction of the electric current. This, and the terms in the two following paragraphs, were introduced by Dr. Faraday.

8. The Electric Currents round the earth pursue a course from east (*ἀνω*, up) to west (*κατω*, down); hence, if a body to be decomposed be similarly placed, the *Anode* is the point or surface at which the electricity enters, the part immediately touching the *positive* pole; and the *Cathode*, the point or surface out of which it passes,—the part next to the *negative* pole.

9. Substances directly decomposable by electricity are termed *Electro-lytes* (*λύω*, to set free). The elements of an electrolyzed body are called *ions*;—that which goes to the anode, *anion*; that to the cathode, *cation*. Thus, if water be electrolyzed, oxygen and hydrogen are *ions*—the former an *anion*, the latter a *cation*.

10. *Electrical column*. A species of electrical pile, invented by De Luc, composed of thin plates of different metals in the usual order, with discs of writing paper interposed between them.

11. *Electro-lysis* (*λύω*, to decompose). A kind of decomposition effected by electricity. The chemical expression equivalent to this is *zincolysis*, the decompositions throughout the circle being referred to the inductive action of the affinities of zinc or the positive metal.

12. *Electro-meter* (*μέτρον*, a measure). An instrument for ascertaining the *intensity* of electricity. Among the varieties of this instrument are the *quadrant*, invented by Mr. Henley, and the *electrical balance* of Coulomb.

13. *Electro-phorus* (*φέρω*, to convey). An instrument invented by Volta, for the purpose of collecting weak electricity.

14. *Electro-scope* (*σκοπέω*, to examine). An instrument for indicating excitement, and the electrical state by which it is produced.

15. *Electro-motion*. The term applied by Volta to the development of electricity in voltaic combinations.

16. *Electro-dynamics* (*δύναμις*, power). That branch of electricity which relates to the action of voltaic conductors on each other.

17. *Electro-magnetism*. The term applied to that branch of science which includes the mutual action of conductors and magnets.

18. *Electro-metallurgy*. The art of working in metals by the galvanic fluid. See *Electrotype*.

19. *Electro-tint*. An application of





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5. *Elixir stomachicum*. Stomachic Elixir, or the Tinct. Gentianæ Comp.

6. *Elixir vitrioli*. The Acidum Sulphuricum Aromaticum.

7. *Elixir anti-arthritic*, of Cadet de Gassicourt. A mixture of the three tinctures of aloes, guaiacum, and myrrh.

8. *Elixir of Daffy*. The Tinct. Sennæ Comp., with treacle instead of sugar-candy, and the addition of aniseeds and elecampane roots.

**ELLAGIC ACID** (from the word *galle*, read backward). An acid which is obtained from galls, in the process for making gallic acid.

**ELUTRIATION** (*elutrio*, to cleanse). The process of washing, by which the lighter earthy parts are separated from the heavier and metallic.

**ELY'TRON** (*ἔλυτρον*). A sheath; the hard case which covers the wings of coleopterous insects. The vagina.

1. *Elytro-cele* (*κῆλη*, a tumour). The name given by Vogel to vaginal hernia.

2. *Elytr-oïdes* (*εἶδος*, likeness). Sheath-like; a term applied to the tunica vaginalis; also to the pessary of M. J. Cloquet.

3. *Elytro-rraphia* (*ῥαφή*, a suture). Suture of the vagina; an operation for the prevention of prolapsus uteri.

**EMACIATION** (*emacio*, to make lean). *Marasmus*. General extenuation of the body, with debility.

**EMANSIO MENSIIUM**. Retention of the menses, called by many writers *menostatio*; and by Frank, *amenorrhœa tiruncularum*.

**EMARGINATE**. Having a notch at the upper extremity, as if a portion had been cut out of the margin.

**EMASCULATION** (*emasculo*, to render impotent). Privation of virility; castration; removal of the testes.

**EMBALMING**. The filling a dead body with spices, gums, and other antiseptics, to prevent putridity.

**EMBOITEMENT** (the situation of one box within another, from *boite*, a box). A term used by Bonnet to describe that species of generation, by which hundreds and thousands of individuals lie one within the other, each possessing a complete series of organized parts. See *Evolution*.

**EMBROCACTION** (*ἐμβρέχω*, to moisten). An external fluid application, for rubbing any part of the body.

**EMBRYO** (*ἐν*, in, *βρύω*, to bud forth). The *ovum* in utero, before the fourth month, after which it is called *fœtus*.

Also, the rudiment of the future plant contained within the seed.

1. *Embryo-logy* (*λόγος*, an account). A description of the embryo.

2. *Embryo-tomy* (*τέμνω*, to cut). The dismembering of the fœtus in utero, in order to admit of delivery.

3. *Embryo-ulcia* (*ἔλκω*, to draw). The same as embryotomy. It is performed by means of a blunt hook or forceps, termed *embryulcus*.

4. *Embryo-tega* (*tego*, to cover). A small callosity observed in some seeds, at a short distance from the hilum; it gives way, like a lid, at the time of germination, for the emission of the radicle.

**EMERY**. A variety of corundum. The powder is obtained by trituration, attached to brown paper called *emery paper*, and used for polishing, for preparing razor-strops, &c.

**EMETIC**, (*ἐμέω*, to vomit). A substance which causes vomiting. Emetics are termed *topical*, when they act only when taken into the stomach, as mustard; *specific*, when they act by being introduced into the circulation, as emetic tartar.

1. *Emetic tartar*, or tartarized antimony; tartrate of antimony and potash, or the antimonium tartarizatum.

2. *Emetin*. The emetic principle of ipecacuanha; it has been discovered to consist of a peculiar alkaline basis which may be termed *emeta*, acid, and colouring matter. Dr. Paris says that *emeta* is to *emetin* what white crystallized sugar is to moist sugar.

**EMMENAGOGUES** (*ἐμμήνια*, the menses, *ἄγω*, to induce). Medicines which promote the catamenial discharge, or the menses.

**EMME'NIA** (*ἐν*, in, *μήν*, a month). The catamenial discharge, or menses.

**EMMOLLIENTS** (*emollio*, to soften). Agents which diminish the tone of the living tissues, and cause relaxation or weakness. When employed for the purpose of sheathing surfaces from the action of injurious substances, they are called *demulcents*.

**EMPATHEMA** (*ἐν*, and *παθημα*, affection). Ungovernable passion; including excitement, depression, and hair-brained passion, or the *manie sans délire* of Pinel.

**EMPHLYSIS** (*ἐν*, and *φλύσις*, a vesicular tumour, or eruption). Ichorous exanthem; including military fever, thrush, cow-pox, water-pox, pemphigus, and erysipelas.

**EMPHYMA** (*ἐν*, and *φύω*, to spring forth). Tumour; including the sarcoma-



tous, the encysted, and the bony species.

**EMPHYSE'MA** (ἐμφυσάω, to inflate). Literally, that which is blown in; wind-dropsy. A swelling produced by air, diffused in the cellular tissue. It is distinguished into the *traumatic*, when the air has been introduced by a solution of continuity; and the *idiopathic*, or *spontaneous*, when the gas is developed within the cells.

**EMPIRIC** (ἐν, in, πείρα, experiment). Formerly, one who practised medicine upon experience, without regard to the rules of science; it now signifies a *quack*, or vender of nostrums.

**EMPLASTRUM** (ἐμπλάσσω, to spread upon). A plaster; a solid and tenacious compound, adhesive at the ordinary heat of the human body. Plasters have been termed *solid ointments*, as they may be said to differ only in consistence from liniments, ointments, and cerates.

**EMPRESMA** (ἐν, and πρήθω, to burn). Internal inflammation; a term employed, in its simple sense, by Hippocrates, &c., and revived by Dr. Good as a generic term for all those visceral inflammations generally distinguished by the suffix *-itis*.

**EMPROSTHO'TONOS** (ἐμπροσθεν, before, τείνω, to draw). Clonic spasm fixing the body forward. Compare *Tetanus*.

**EMPYE'MA** (ἐν, within, πύον, pus). An internal abscess, particularly of the lungs; matter in the chest. This term was originally applied by the ancients to every collection of purulent matter; it was subsequently confined to effusions into the pleura, and abscesses of the lungs; it is now applied by surgeons to effusions into the pleura only: hence the terms, empyema of pus, of blood, of water and air, are often used as synonyms of pleurisy, hæmothorax, hydrothorax, and pneumothorax. Chronic pleurisy constitutes the "purulent empyema" of surgeons.

**EMPYESIS** (ἐμπυέω, to suppurate). Pus-tulous exanthem; a term used by Hippocrates, and including, in Dr. Good's system, variola or small-pox.

[*Empyesis oculi* (ἐν, in, πύον, pus). Suppuration of the eye. See *Hypopium*.]

**EMPYREUMA** (ἐμπυρεύω, to set on fire; from πῦρ, fire). Peculiar vapours produced by destructive distillation. Hence the term *empyreumatic* is applied to the acid, and to the oil, which result from the destructive distillation of *vegetable substances*; and, hence, hartshorn is called the empyreumatic alkali.

**EMULGENTS** (*emulgeo*, to milk out).

A designation of the arteries and veins of the kidneys, which were supposed to strain, or *milk out*, the serum. A term also applied to remedies which excite the flow of bile.

**EMULSIN**. Vegetable albumen of almonds; a constituent of almond emulsion. A peculiar acid is procured from it, termed *emulsic acid*.

**EMULSIO** (*emulgeo*, to milk). An emulsion; a mixture of oil and water, made by means of mucilage, sugar, or yolk of egg. This term is used by the Edinburgh College for the *Mistura* of the London Pharmacopœia [and Ph. U. S.]

**EMUNCTORY** (*emungo*, to wipe out). An excretory duct; a canal through which the contents of an organ, as the gall-bladder, are discharged.

**ENAMEL**. The hard exterior surface of the teeth. Also a white glass formed of peroxide of tin, &c.

**ENANTHESIS** (ἐν and ἀνθέω, to blossom). Rash exanthem; including scarlet-fever, measles, and nettle-rash.—Good.

**ENARTHROSIS** (ἐν and ἄρθρον, a joint). A ball-and-socket joint. See *Articulation*.

**ENCANTHUS** (ἐν, in, κάνθος, the corner of the eye). A disease of the caruncula lachrymalis.

**ENCEPHALON** (ἐν, in, κεφαλή, the head). The brain; the contents of the skull, consisting of the cerebrum, cerebellum, medulla oblongata, and membranes.

1. *Encephalata*. A term applied by Dr. Grant to the Fifth sub-kingdom of Animals, or *Vertebrata*, comprising animals in which the brain is enclosed in a bony cavity. The classes are the pisces, amphibia, reptilia, aves, and mammalia.

2. *Encephal-itis*. Inflammation of the brain; as distinguished from *meningitis*, *arachnitis*, or inflammation of the membranes.

3. *Encephalo-cele* (κήλη, a tumour). Hernia of the brain, through the walls of the cranium, by a congenital opening, a fracture, &c.

4. *Encephal-oid* (εἶδος, likeness). A term applied to a morbid product, or *encephalosis*, the cut surface of which resembles brain.

**ENCHELIDE MONAD**. An animal-cule which performs the usual function of the green parts of plants, decomposing carbonic acid and evolving oxygen, under the influence of the light of the sun.

**EN-CYSTED** (ἐν, in, κύστις, a cyst). A term applied to tumours which consist of matter contained in a sac or cyst.

**ENDE'MIC** (ἐν, among, δῆμος, a peo-



ple). An epithet for diseases peculiar to the inhabitants of particular countries—native diseases.

**EN-DERMIC.** A term indicative of the method of applying medicines to the denuded dermis. It is also called the emplastro-endêrmic method.

**ENDO** (ἐνδον, within). A Greek preposition, signifying *within*.

1. *Endo-cardium* (καρδία, the heart). A colourless transparent membrane, which lines the interior of the heart. Inflammation of this membrane is termed *endocarditis*.

2. *Endo-carp* (καρπός, fruit). The innermost portion of the pericarp. In some fruits it presents a bony consistence, as in the peach, and has been termed *putamen*. See *Pericarp*.

3. *Endo-gen* (γεννάω, to produce). A plant whose stem grows by internal increase, as a palm. See *Exogen*.

4. *Endo-phlœum* (φλοιός, bark). Another name for *liber*—the innermost layer of the bark of *exogens*.

5. *Endo-pleura* (πλευρά, the side). The internal integument of the seed, also termed *tunica interna*, tegmen, hilofère, &c.

6. *Endo-rrhizous* (ρίζα, a root). A term expressive of the mode of germination of *Endogens*, in which the radicle is emitted from the substance of the radicular extremity, and is *sheathed* at its base by the substance from which it protrudes. This sheath is termed the *coleoptile*.

7. *Endo-spermium* (σπέρμα, seed). The name given by Richard to the *albumen* of other botanists. Jussieu termed it *perisperm*.

8. *Endo-stome* (στόμα, a mouth). The orifice of the inner integument of the ovule, in plants.

9. *Endo-thecium* (θήκη, a case). The name given by Purkinje to the lining of the anther, consisting of fibro-cellular tissue.

**ENDOSMOSIS** (ἐνδον, within, ὠσμός, impulsion). The property by which rarer fluids pass through membranous substances into a cavity or space containing a denser fluid. M. Dutochet, who has introduced this term, with a knowledge of the motory principle to which it refers, has used others explicative of his views of some operations in the animal economy: such is *hyperendosome*, or the state of things in inflammation; with this are associated *adfluxion*, or accumulation of the fluids, and *impulsion*, or increased flow of the fluids onwards. Thus, in-

flammation is said to be “*but d’adfluxion, et origine d’impulsion*.”

*Endosmo-meter* (*endosmosis*, impulsion μέτρον, a measure). An instrument contrived by Dutochet for measuring the force of the endosmotic function.

**ENECIA** (ἡνεκής, continuous). A term denoting *continued* action, and applied by Dr. Good to continued fever, including the several species of inflammatory, typhous, and synochal fever. These were formerly called *continentes*, from their being supposed to be unattended by any change or relaxation whatever.

**EN’EMA** (ἐνίημι, to inject). A clyster, lavement, or injection. A formula used for conveying both nourishment and medicine to the system, under particular morbid circumstances.

**EN-EPIDERMIC.** A term indicative of the method of applying medicines to the epidermis, unassisted by friction, as when blisters, fomentations, &c., are employed. See *Endermic*.

[**ENGORGEMENT.** An overfulness, or obstruction of the vessels of a part; congestion.]

[**ENGOUEMENT.** Obstruction of a conduit by matters accumulated in it.]

**ENNEANDRIA** (ἐννεα, nine, ἀνὴρ, man). The ninth class of plants in Linnæus’s system, comprehending those which have nine stamens.

[*Enneandrous.* Having nine stamens of about equal length.]

**ENNUI.** Weariness; listless fatigue of the mind.

**ENS.** The participle present of the verb *sum*, employed as a substantive, in philosophical language, for any being or existence. This term denotes, in chemistry, a substance supposed to contain all the qualities or virtues of the ingredients from which it is drawn, in a small compass:—

1. *Ens Martis.* Ferrum Ammoniatum. Ammoniated Iron, or Martial Flowers of the muriate of ammonia and iron.

2. *Ens Veneris.* The ancient designation of the muriate of ammonia and copper.

3. *Ens primum.* A name given by the alchemists to a tincture which they supposed to have the power of transmuting the metals.

**ENSIFORM** (*ensis*, a sword, *forma*, likeness). [Sword-shaped.] A Latin term applied to the *sword-like* cartilage of the sternum. The corresponding term in Greek is *xiphoid*.

**ENTASIS** (ἐντείνω, to stretch). A term denoting *intention*, or stretching, and





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[*Epiphenomenon*. An adventitious symptom, one not essentially attendant on the disease.]

20. *Epi-phlosum* (φλοιός, bark). A layer of bark, situated immediately beneath the epidermis, termed by Mohl, phlœum or peridermis.

21. *Epi-phora* (ἐπιφέρω, to carry with force). The watery eye; flux of tears. It is distinguished from *stillicidium lacrymarum*, which consists in an obstacle to the absorption and conveyance of the tears from the lacus lacrymarum into the sac; whereas *Epiphora* consists in a superabundant secretion of tears.

22. *Epi-physis* (φύω, to grow). A process of a bone attached by cartilage to a bone, and not a part of the same bone. It differs from *Apophysis*, which is a process of a bone, and a part of the same bone.

23. *Epi-ploon* (πλέω, to sail). The omentum; a membranous expansion which floats upon the intestines.

24. *Epi-plo-cele* (ἐπίπλοον, omentum, κήλη, tumour). Hernia of the Epiploon, or omentum.

25. *Epi-pl-oscheo-cele*, (ἐπίπλοον, the omentum, ὄσχεον, the scrotum, κήλη, a tumour). A hernia in which the omentum descends into the scrotum.

26. *Epirrheo-logy* (ἐπιρροή, a flowing on, λόγος, an account). That branch of science which treats of the effects of external agents upon living plants.

27. *Epi-schesis* (ἴσχω, to restrain). Obstruction; suppression of excretions.

28. *Epi-spadias* (σπάω, to draw). That malformation, when the urethra opens on the dorsum of the penis, not far from the pubes. See *Hypospudias*.

29. *Epi-spastics* (σπάω, to draw). Vesicatories; blisters; external applications to the skin, which produce a serous or puriform discharge, by exciting inflammation. When these agents act so mildly as merely to excite inflammation, without occasioning the effusion of serum, they are denominated *rubefaciens*.

30. *Epi-sperm* (σπέρμα, seed). This, and *perisperm*, are terms applied by Richard to the *testa* of seeds—the *spermoderm* of Decandolle.

31. *Epi-staxis* (στάξις, a dropping, from στάζω, to distil or drop down). Nasal hæmorrhage; bleeding from the nose.

32. *Epi-thelium* (τίθημι, to place). The cuticle on the prolabium, or red part of the lips, and on the mucous membranes in general. It is distinguished into the *scaly epithelium*, which forms the inner surface of the blood and lymph vessels,

the inner surface of many mucous and serous sacs, &c.; the *columnar epithelium*, which forms the surface of the intestinal canal, as well as the surface of the passages from most glands; and the *ciliated epithelium*, which forms the surface of the mucous membrane of the organs of respiration, &c.

33. *Epi-them* (τίθημι, to place). A general term for any external topical application to the body, except ointments and plasters.

34. *Ep-ulis* (οὔλα, the gums). A small tubercle on the gums, said sometimes to become cancerous.

35. *Ep-ulotics* (οὐλή, cicatrix). Medicines which promote the cicatrization of wounds. They are also called *cicatrifiantia*.

EPIAN. *Pian*. A term denoting a raspberry, and applied on the American coast to *frambæsia*. On the African coast this affection is termed *yaws*.

EPSOM SALT. *Sal catharticus amarus*. Sulphate of magnesia, formerly procured by boiling down the mineral water of Epsom; but now prepared from sea water.

EQUILIBRIUM (*æquè*, equally, *libro*, to balance). A term expressive of the equality of temperature, which all bodies on the earth are constantly tending to attain (see *Caloric*)—and of the equal distribution of the electric fluid in its natural undisturbed state.

[EQUINIA (*equinus*, belonging to a horse). Glanders. A contagious disease, to which horses are liable, attended with discharge from the nostrils, ulceration of the nasal mucous membrane, &c., and which is communicated to the human species by inoculation.]

EQUITANT. A form of vernation in which the leaves overlap each other parallelly and entirely, without involu- tion.

EQUIVALENTS (*æquè*, equally, *valeo*, to avail). A term applied by Dr. Wollaston to the *combining proportions* of elementary and compound substances, as the quantities of acid and base, in salts, required to neutralizè each other. The following are instances of this law:—

|                        |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Arsenic acid . . 57·68 | Lime . . . . 28 |
| Muriatic acid . 37     | Magnesia 20     |
| Nitric acid . . . 54   | Potash . . . 48 |
| Sulphuric acid 40      | Soda . . . . 32 |

Thus 57·68 of arsenic acid, 37 of muriatic, 54 of nitric, and 40 of sulphuric, combine with 28 of lime, forming, respectively, a neutral arseniate, muriate, nitrate, and sulphate of lime; &c. &c.



**ERBIUM.** A newly discovered metal, occurring along with yttria. See *Terhium*.

**ERECTILE TISSUE** (*erigo*, to erect). The tissue peculiar to the penis, nipple, &c. That of the vagina has been termed, by De Graaf, *retiformis*, and latterly, *corpus cavernosum vaginae*. The term is also applied to a similar tissue, constituting *nævus*, &c.

**ERECTOR** (*erigo*, to raise). A muscle of the clitoris and of the penis, so named from its office.

**EREMACAUISIS** (*ἥρεμος*, slow, *καῦσις*, burning). A term applied by Liebig to the slow combustion or oxidation of organic matters in air, as the conversion of wood into humus, the formation of acetic acid from alcohol, nitrification, &c.

**ERETHISMUS** (*ἐρεθίζω*, to excite). Constitutional irritation, or excitement.

*Erethismus Mercurialis*. Mercurial erethism; a peculiar state of erethism produced by mercury.

**ERGOTA.** *Secale Cornutum*. Spurred rye; a long black substance, like a horn or spur, formed on rye, and many other of the *gramina*, and supposed to be produced by a parasitic fungus.

1. *Ergotælia* (*ergota*, and *αἰτία*, origin). The generic name given by Mr. Quekett to the ergot fungus, to which was added the specific appellation of *abortifaciens*, in allusion to its destroying the germinating power of the grain of grasses.

2. *Ergotine*. A peculiar principle discovered in ergot, by M. Bonjeau, who formerly termed it *hæmostatic extract*, from its being a real specific for hæmorrhages in general.

3. *Ergotism*. An epidemic occurring in moist districts, as in that of Sologne, from the use of *ergota*, in rye-bread. Its forms are, the *convulsive*,—a nervous disease, characterized by violent spasmodic convulsions; and the *gangrenous*,—a depraved state of the constitution, terminating in dry gangrene, and known in Germany by the name of the *creeping sickness*.

**ERICACEÆ.** The Heath tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Shrubs, with leaves evergreen, rigid, entire, whorled, or opposite; flowers monopetalous, regular; stamens definite; ovarium superior, many-seeded; seeds apterous.

[**ERIGERON CANADENSE.** Canada fleabane. An indigenous plant, said to possess diuretic, tonic, and astringent properties.

[**ERIGERON HETEROPHYLLUM.** Various-leaved fleabane.

[**ERIGERON PHILADELPHICUM.**

Philadelphia fleabane. This and the preceding species are diuretic, and have been employed in nephritic complaints and dropsy.]

**ERODENTS** (*erodo*, to gnaw off). Substances which eat away, as it were, extraneous growths.

[**EROSÈ** (*erodo*, to gnaw off). Gnawed; having the margin irregularly divided, as if bitten by some animal; applied to leaves.]

**EROSION** (*erodo*, to gnaw off). Destruction by ulceration; the name applied by Galen to the phenomena of ulcerative absorption.

[**EROTIC** (*ερωσ*, love). Relating to love.]

[**EROTOMANIA** (*ερωσ*, love, *μανια*, madness). Melancholy caused by love.]

**ERRATIC** (*erro*, to wander). Wandering; irregular; as applied to pains, gout, erysipelas, gestation, &c.

**ERRHINES** (*ἐν*, in, *ῥῖν*, the nose). Medicines which produce an increased discharge of nasal mucus. See *Sternutatories*.

**ERROR LOCI** (*error of place*). A term formerly applied to certain derangements in the capillary circulation. Boerhaave conceived that the vessels were of different sizes for the circulation of blood, lymph, and serum; and that, when the larger-sized globules passed into the smaller vessels by an *error loci*, an obstruction took place which gave rise to the phenomena of inflammation.

**ERUCTATION** (*eructo*, to belch forth). Flatulency, with frequent rejection upwards, as from a volcano.

**ERUPTION** (*erumpo*, to break out). A breaking out; a term applied to acute cutaneous diseases.

[**ERYNGIUM AQUATICUM.** Button snakeroot. An indigenous, Umbelliferous plant, the root of which possesses diaphoretic and expectorant, and, in large doses, emetic properties.]

**ERYNGO.** The candied root of the *Eryngium campestre*, reckoned by Boerhaave as the first of aperient diuretic roots.

**ERYSIPELAS** (*έρύω*, to draw, *πέλας*, adjoining; so named from its propensity to spread; or, simply, from *έρυθρός*, red). An eruptive fever, called by the Romans *Ignis sacer*; popularly, the *Rose*, from the colour of the skin; and *St. Anthony's fire*, from its burning heat, or because St. Anthony was supposed to cure it miraculously.

[*Erysipelatous*. Belonging to erysipelas.]



**ERYTHE'MA** (ἐρυθρός, red). Morbid redness of the skin; inflammatory blush. A red fulness of the integuments, terminating in scales, and occasionally in gangrene.

**ERYTHRÆA CENTAURIUM.** Common Centaury; a plant of the order *Gentianaceæ*, possessing similar effects to those of *Gentian*. Its bitter principle is called *centaurin*.

**ERYTHRIC ACID** (ἐρυθρός, red). The name given by Brugnatelli to *purpuric acid*.

**ERYTHRIN** (ἐρυθρός, red). One of a series of substances, including erythrin, erythrin bitter or amarythrin, telerythrin, &c., obtained by Dr. Kane from the *Roccella tinctoria*.

**ERYTHROGEN** (ἐρυθρός, red, γεννάω, to produce). A green-coloured substance found in the gall-bladder, in a case of jaundice. It unites with nitrogen, and produces a red compound.

**ERYTHROID** (ἐρυθρός, red, εἶδος, likeness). A term applied to the cremasteric covering of the spermatic cord and testis.

[**ERYTHRONIUM AMERICANUM.** Erythronium. An indigenous, Liliaceous plant, the recent bulb of which is emetic in the dose of ℞j. to ℥ss.]

**ERYTHROPHYLLÉ** (ἐρυθρός, red, φύλλον, a leaf). A term applied by Berzelius to the red colouring matter of fruits and leaves in autumn.

**ERYTHROSIS** (ἐρυθρός, red). *Plethora arteriosa*. A form of plethora, in which the blood is rich in fibrin and in bright red pigment; a state corresponding in some measure with what has been termed the *arterial constitution*.

**ESCHAR** (ἐσχάρω, to form a scab or crust). A dry slough; a gangrenous portion, which has separated from the healthy substance of the body.

*Escharotics.* Substances which form an eschar, or slough, when applied to the skin.

**ESCULENT.** An appellation given to those plants, or any part of them, which may be eaten for food.

**ESCULINE.** An alkaloid obtained from the *Æsculus Hippocastanum*, or horse-chestnut, from the ash, &c.

**ESENBECKINA.** An organic alkali, procured from Brazilian Cinchona, or the bark of the *Exostema Souzanum*, a native plant of Brazil, and named from the erroneous idea that the bark belonged to *Esenbeckia febrifuga*.

**ESO-ENTERITIS** (ἔσω, within, and enteritis). Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the intestines.

**ESO-GASTRITIS** (ἔσω, within, and gastritis). Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the stomach.

**ESPRIT.** The French term for spirit, or essence. Any subtile and volatile product of distillation.

**ESSENCE DE PETIT GRAIN.** A term originally applied to the volatile oil of the orange berry, but now denoting the volatile oil obtained from the leaves of both the bitter and sweet orange.

**ESSENTIA ABIETIS.** Essence of Spruce; prepared by boiling in water the young tops of some Coniferous plant, as the *Abies nigra*, or Black Spruce, and concentrating the decoction by evaporation.

**ESSENTIA BINA.** A substance used to colour brandy, porter, &c., and prepared by boiling coarse sugar till it is black and bitter; it is then made into a syrup with lime-water.

**ESSENTIAL OILS.** Oils obtained by distillation from odoriferous vegetable substances. Several of the volatile or essential oils are *essences*.

**ESSERA.** The Nettle-rash, or the *Urticaria* of Willan. Good.

**ESTIVATION** (*æstivus*, belonging to summer). *Præfloration*. A term applied to the condition of a flower when its parts are unexpanded. See *Vernation*.

**ETÆRIO** (ἐταιρεία, an association). A term applied by Mirbel to an aggregate fruit, the parts of which are achenia, as in *ranunculus*, *rubus*, &c.

**ETHAL.** A peculiar oily substance, obtained from spermaceti; also termed hydrate of oxide of cetyl. The term is formed of the first syllables of *ether* and *alcohol*.

**ETHER** (αἰθήρ, ether). A liquid produced by a remarkable decomposition of alcohol, by sulphuric, phosphoric, and arsenic acids. It is sometimes distinguished as *sulphuric ether*, from the mode of preparing it.

**ETHEREAL OIL.** The *Oleum Vini*, found in the residuum of sulphuric ether, and forming the basis of Hoffman's celebrated anodyne liquor.

**ETHERINE.** A term synonymous with olefiant gas, elayl, or hydruret of acetyl.

**ETHEROLE.** A carbo-hydrogen, commonly known as *light oil of wine*.

**ETHMOID** (ἠθμός, a sieve, εἶδος, likeness). Cribriform, or *sieve-like*; a bone of the nose, perforated for the transmission of the olfactory nerves.

*Ethmoidal crest, or spine.* See *Crista galli*.





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**EXACERBATION** (*exacerbo*, to exasperate). An increase of febrile symptoms.

**EXÆRESIS** (ἐξαιρέω, to remove). One of the old divisions of surgery, implying the removal of parts.

**EXANIA** (*ex*, and *anus*). *Archoptosis*. A prolapsus, or falling down of the anus.

**EXANTHEMATA** (ἐξανθέω, to blossom). Efflorescence; eruptive diseases; a term formerly equivalent to *eruption* generally, but now limited to *rashes*, or superficial red patches, irregularly diffused, and terminating in cuticular exfoliations.

**EXANTHESIS** (ἐξ, out, ἀνθέω, to blossom). A superficial or cutaneous efflorescence, as *rose-rash*; it is opposed to *enanthesis*, or efflorescence springing from within.

**EXCITANTS** (*excito*, to stimulate). Stimulants; these are termed *general*, when they excite the system, as spirit; and *particular*, when they excite an organ, as in the action of diuretics on the kidneys.

**EXCITEMENT**. The effect produced by excitants, especially the *general*.

[**EXCITO-MOTORY**. A term applied by Dr. Marshall Hall to a division of the nervous system, comprising the tubercula quadrigemina, the medulla oblongata, the medulla spinalis, and the true spinal nerves.]

**EXCORIATION** (*excorio*, to take off the skin). Abrasion of the skin.

**EXCREMENT** (*excerno*, to separate from). The alvine fæces, or excretion. A term applied to a preternatural growth, as a wart, a wen, &c.

**EXCRESCENCE** (*excreasco*, to grow from). A term applied to a preternatural growth, as a wart, a wen, &c.

**EXCRETION** (*excerno*, to separate from). A general term for the perspiration, urine, fæces, &c., which are separated and voided from the blood or the food.

**EXCRETORY DUCT** (*excerno*, to separate from). The duct which proceeds from a gland, as the parotid, hepatic, &c., and transmits outwards, or into particular reservoirs, the fluid secreted by it.

**EXERCITATIO**. *Gymnastics*. Exercise; the action of the organs of locomotion.

**EXFŒTATION** (*ex*, outward, and *fætus*). Extra-uterine fœtation, or imperfect fœtation in some organ exterior to the uterus. See *Eccyesis*.

**EXFOLIATION** (*exfolio*, to cast the leaf). The separation of a dead piece of bone from the living.

[**EXHALANT**. A term applied to capillary vessels which pour out a fluid.]

**EXHALATION** (*exhalo*, to exhale). *Effluvia*. The vapours which arise from animal and vegetable bodies, marshes, the earth, &c.

[**EXHUMATION**. (*ex*, from, *humus*, the ground). Disinterment; the act of removing a corpse from the ground.]

**EXO-** (ἐξω, outward). A Greek preposition, signifying *outward*.

1. **Exo-gen** (γεννάω, to produce). A plant whose stem grows by external increase, and which exhibits, in a transverse section, a series of concentric circles or zones. Compare *Endogen*.

2. **Exo-rrhizous**, (ρίζα, a root). A term expressive of the mode of germination in *Exogens*, in which the radicle appears at once on the surface of the radicular extremity, and consequently has no sheath at its base. See *Endorrhizous*.

3. **Exo-stome** (στόμα, the mouth). The orifice of the outer integument of the ovule in plants.

4. **Exo-thecium** (θήκη, a case). The name given by Purkinje to the coat of the anther.

**EXOMPHALOS** (ἐξ, out, ὀμφαλῶς, umbilicus). Hernia at, or near, the umbilicus.

**EXOPHTHALMIA** (ἐξ, out, ὀφθαλμῶς, the eye). *Ophthalmoptosis*. *Ptoxis bulbi oculi*. *Protopsis*, or protrusion of the globe of the eye. Beer proposes to call the affection *exophthalmus*, when the protruded eye is in its natural state; *exophthalmia* when it is inflamed; and *ophthalmoptosis*, when the displacement is caused by the division of the nerves and muscles of the orbit, or by paralysis of the latter.

**EXORMIA** (ἐξ, out, ὄρμη, impetus). A term used by the Greeks as synonymous with *ecthyma*, or papulous skin, comprising *gum-rash*, &c.

**EXOSMOSIS** (ἐξ, out, ὤσμος, impulsion). The property by which rarer fluids pass through membranous substances, out of a cavity into a denser fluid—"dehors impulsion." See *Endosmosis*.

**EXOSTOSIS** (ἐξ, out, ὀστέον, a bone). An excrescence or morbid enlargement of a bone.

**EXPANSIBILITY**. *Expansile power*. These terms are employed by physiologists to denote a vital property more or less observable in several organs, as the penis, the nipple, the heart, the uterus, the retina, perhaps even the cellular substance of the brain.

**EXPANSION** (*expando*, to spread out). An enlargement of volume; the usual effect of caloric.

[**EXPECTANT** (*expecto*, to wait). Ex-



pectation. A term given to a method which consists in watching the progress of diseases without giving any active medicine, unless symptoms appear which imperiously require such.]

**EXPECTORANTS** (*ex pectore*, from the chest). Medicines for promoting the discharge of mucus or other matters from the trachea and its branches.

*Expectoration.* The act of discharging any matter from the chest; also, the matters so discharged.

[**EXPERIENCE** ( $\epsilon\zeta$ , from,  $\pi\epsilon\iota\rho\alpha$ , a trial). Practical knowledge; knowledge obtained by practice.

[*Experiment.* A practical proof. A trial for the purpose of ascertaining a truth or of obtaining knowledge.]

**EXPIRATION** (*expiro*, to breathe). That part of respiration in which the air is expelled. Compare *Inspiration*.

**EXPLORATION** (*exploro*, to examine.) Examination of the abdomen, chest, &c., with a view to ascertain the *physical signs of disease*, in contradistinction to those signs which are termed *symptoms*.

**EXPRESSED OILS.** Oils obtained from bodies by pressure.

**EXSANGUINITY** (*ex*, out, *sanguis*, blood). *Anhæmia*. A state of bloodlessness.

**EXSICCATION** (*exsicco*, to dry up). A variety of evaporation, producing the expulsion of moisture from solid bodies by heat; it is generally employed for depriving salts of their water of crystallization.

[**EXSTROPHIA** ( $\epsilon\zeta$ , out of,  $\sigma\tau\rho\phi\eta$ , a turning). Displacement of an organ.]

**EXTENSION** (*extendo*, to stretch out). This term denotes, in *physics*, the property of occupying a certain portion of space. In *surgery*, it signifies the act of pulling the broken part of a limb in a

direction from the trunk, in order to bring the ends of the bone into their natural situation.

*Counter-extension.* The act of making extension in the opposite direction, in order to hinder the limb from being drawn along by the extending power.

**EXTENSOR** (*extendo*, to stretch out). A muscle which extends any part. It is opposed to *flexor*, or that which bends a part.

**EXTIRPATION** (*extirpo*, to eradicate, from *stirps*, a root). The entire removal of any part by the knife, or ligature.

**EXTRA UTERINE.** A term applied to those cases of pregnancy in which the fœtus is contained in some organ exterior to the uterus.

**EXTRACTION** (*extraho*, to draw out). The operation of removing the teeth, a musket-ball, &c. The process of preparing a pharmaceutical extract.

**EXTRACTUM** (*extraho*, to draw out). An extract; a preparation obtained by the evaporation of a vegetable solution, or a native vegetable juice. Its basis is termed *extractive*, or extractive principle.

**EXTRAVASATION** (*extra*, out of, *vas*, a vessel). The passage of fluids out of their proper vessels, and their infiltration into the surrounding tissues.

**EXTROSE.** Turned outward; turned away from the axis to which it belongs; applied to certain anthers.

**EXUDATION.** *Transpiration.* The flow of liquid from the surface of the skin or membrane, an ulcer, &c.

**EXUVIÆ** (*exuo*, to put off.) The slough, or cast-off covering of certain animals, as those of the snake-kind.

**EYE.** *Oculus.* The organ of vision.

**EYE OF TYPHON.** The mystic name given by the Egyptians to the *Squill*, or sea-onion.

## F

**F,** or **FT.** Abbreviations of *fiat*, or *fiant*, let it, or them, be made; used in prescriptions.

**FACE AGUE.** *Tic douloureux.* A form of neuralgia, which occurs in the nerves of the face.

**FACET** (*facette*, a little face). A term applied to an articular cavity of a bone, when nearly plain.

**FACIES.** The face; the lower and anterior part of the head, including the

nose, mouth, eyes, and cheeks. See *Vultus* and *Frons*.

1. *Facies Hippocratica.* The peculiar appearance of the face immediately before death, described by Hippocrates.

2. *Facies rubra.* The red face; another name for the gutta rosacea. See *Acne*.

3. *Facial angle.* An angle composed of two lines, one drawn in the direction of the basis of the skull, from the ear to the roots of the upper incisor teeth, and



the other from the latter point to the most projecting part of the forehead.

4. *Facial nerve*. The *portio dura* of the seventh pair. The fifth pair is designated as the *trifacial*.

5. *Facial vein*. A vein which commences at the summit of the head and forehead. See *Angular*.

6. *Face grippée*. The pinched-in face; a peculiar expression of features in peritonitis. See *Physiognomy*.

**FACTITIOUS** (*factito*, to practise). Made by art, as factitious cinnabar, in distinction from the natural production. This term is also applied to *diseases* which are produced wholly, or in part, by the patient; and to *waters* prepared in imitation of natural waters, as those of Brighton.

**FACULTY** (*facultas*, from *facere*, to make). The power or ability by which an action is performed. A term employed to denote the professors of the medical art.

**FÆCES** (pl. of *fæx*, dregs). Dregs or lees of wine; the settlement of any liquor. The excrement of animals.

**FAGIN**. A narcotic substance obtained from the nuts of the *Fagus sylvatica*, or common beech.

**FAINTS**. The weak spirituous liquor which runs off from the still after the proof spirit is taken away.

**FALCIFORM** (*falx*, *falcis*, a scythe, *forma*, likeness). [*Falcate*.] Scythe-like; a term applied to a process of the dura mater, and the iliac process of the fascia lata.

**FALLING SICKNESS**. *Caducus morbus*. Epilepsy; an affection in which the patient suddenly falls to the ground.

**FALLOPIAN TUBES**. Two trumpet-like ducts, arising from the sides of the fundus uteri, and extending to the ovaria; so called from Gabriel Fallopius. The commencement of each is termed *ostium uterinum*; the termination, *ostium abdominale*; the fimbriated extremity, *morsus diaboli*.

**FALSE CONCEPTION**. Anormal conception, in which, instead of a well-organized embryo, a mole or some analogous production is formed.

**FALSE MEMBRANE**. This is always the result of inflammation, as that produced in pleurisy, in peritonitis, in croup, &c.

**FALSE WATERS**. *Fausses eaux*. A term applied by the French to a serous fluid which accumulates between the chorion and the amnios, and is discharged at certain periods of pregnancy. This

must be distinguished from the *liquor amnii*, which they term simply the *waters*.

[**FALSIFICATION** (*falsus*, false, *facio*, to make). Adulteration, sophistication, or fraudulent imitation of an article.]

**FALX, FALCIS**. A scythe, or sickle. A scythe or sickle-like process.

1. *Falx cerebri*, or *falx major*. The sickle-like process or lamina of the dura mater, situated between the lobes of the cerebrum.

2. *Falx cerebelli*, or *falx minor*. The small sickle-like process of the dura mater, situated between the lobes of the cerebellum.

**FAMES** (*φάγο*, to eat). Famine, hunger. Hence the terms *cura famis*, or abstinence from food; and *fames canina*, voracious or canine appetite. See *Bulimia*.

**FAMILY**. A group of *genera*, which are connected together by common characters of structure. The term *order* is synonymous.

**FARCIMEN**. The name given by Sauvages to the equine species of scrofula, commonly called *farcy*. The porcine species he denominated *chhalasis*.

**FARINA** (*far*, *farris*, corn). Meal, or vegetable flour, made from the seed of the *Triticum Hybernum*, or Winter Wheat. See *Amylum*.

**Farinaceous**. [*Mealy*.] A term for all those substances which contain farina; viz. the cerealia, legumes, &c.

**FAR-SIGHTEDNESS**. An affection occurring in incomplete amaurosis; [and as the result of a natural malformation.] See *Presbyopia*.

**FASCIA** (*fascis*, a bundle). Literally a scarf or large band. Hence, it is applied to the aponeurotic expansion of a muscle.

1. *Fascia lata*. A name frequently given to the aponeurosis of the thigh.

2. *Fascia superficialis*. A membrane extending over the abdomen, and downwards over the front of the thigh.

3. *Fascia transversalis*. A dense layer of cellular fibrous membrane, lying beneath the peritoneum, and investing the transversalis muscle.

4. *Fascialis*. Another name for the *tensor vaginæ femoris* muscle.

**Fasciated**. Banded; grown unnaturally together, as contiguous stems, or fruits.

**FASCICLE** (*fasciculus*, a little bundle). A form of inflorescence, resembling a corymb, but having a centrifugal, instead of a centripetal expansion. It is a kind of *compound corymb*.

**FASCICULUS** (dim. of *fascis*, a bun-





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tion found in the *cystis fellea*, or gall-bladder.

1. *Fel bovinum*. *Fel tauri*, *bilis bovina*, or ox-gall. An extract is used by painters to remove the greasiness of colours, &c.

2. *Fellinic acid*. An acid formed in the preparation of bilin.

3. *Felliflua passio*. Gall-flux disease; an ancient name for cholera.

**FELON**. The name of malignant whitlow, in which the effusion presses on the periosteum.

**FEMUR, FEMORIS**. *Os femoris*. The thigh-bone, the longest, largest, and heaviest of all the bones of the body.

1. *Femoral*. The name given to the external iliac artery immediately after it has emerged from under the crural arch; and to the crural vein, or continuation of the popliteal.

2. *Femoræus*. Another name for the *cruræus* muscle,—an extensor of the leg.

**FENESTRA** (*φαίνω*, to shine). Literally, a window; an entry into any place. Hence the terms *fenestra ovalis* and *rotunda* are respectively synonymous with *foramen ovale* and *rotundum*, or the oval and round apertures of the internal ear. The latter of these apertures, however, is not round, but triangular.

*Fenestrate*. Windowed; as applied to the incomplete dissepiment sometimes occurring in the siliqua of Cruciferous plants.

**FENU-GREC**. The *Trigonella fœnum Græcum*, a Leguminous plant, forming an article of food in Egypt, and employed in this country in veterinary medicine.

**FER AZURE'**. A mineral, described by Haüy, containing prussic acid.

**FERMENTATION**. Certain changes of animal or vegetable substances, reduced to the moist or liquid state by water. There are four kinds:—

1. The *Saccharine*; when the change terminates in sugar, as that of starch.

2.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{The } \textit{Panary}; \text{ as that of flour} \\ \text{forming bread;—or} \\ \text{The } \textit{Vinous}; \text{ as that of the grape,} \\ \text{\&c., forming wine;} \end{array} \right.$   
evolving alcohol.

3. The *Acetous*; when the result is acetic acid, or vinegar.

4. The *Putrefactive*; generally of animal substances, evolving ammonia.

**FERMENTUM** (*quasi fervimentum*, from *ferveo*, to work). A ferment; a substance which possesses the power of commencing fermentation, as yeast.

**FERN, MALE SHIELD**. The *Ne-*

*phrodium filix mas*, the rhizome and gemmæ of which have been extolled as vermifuges. Batso found a peculiar acid, the *acidum filicum*, and an alkali, *flicina*, in the rhizome.

**FERRUGINOUS** (*ferrum*, iron). That which contains iron, or is of the nature of iron, as certain salts, mineral waters, &c.

**FERRUGO**. *Quasi ferri ærugo*. Rust of iron; a term mostly used to express colours.

**FERRUM**. Iron; a whitish gray metal, found in animals, plants, and almost all mineral substances. By the alchemists, iron was called *Mars*.

1. *Ferric oxide*. Another name for the peroxide of iron.

2. *Ferro-cyanic acid*. A compound of cyanogen, metallic iron, and hydrogen; also called *ferruretted chyazic acid*. It contains the elements of hydro-cyanic acid, but differs from it totally in its properties. Its salts, formerly called *triple prussiates*, are now termed *ferro-cyanates*. The beautiful pigment *Prussian blue* is a ferro-cyanate of the peroxide of iron.

3. *Ferroso-ferric oxide*. *Ferri oxidum nigrum*, the *black oxide*, magnetic oxide, or martial æthiops. It occurs in the mineral kingdom under the name of *magnetic iron ore*, the massive form of which is called *native loadstone*.

4. *Ferroso-ferric sulphate*. The name given by Berzelius to a combination of the proto- and per-sulphates of iron.

5. *Ferruretted chyazic acid*. A name given by M. Porrett to ferro-cyanic acid.

6. *Red or peroxide of iron*. *Ferri sesquioxylum*, formerly called *crocus martis*; found native in the crystallized state as *specular iron*, or *iron glance*, and in stalactitic masses, as *red hæmatite*; as obtained by precipitation from sulphate of iron, it is frequently termed *carbonate*, *subcarbonate*, or *precipitated carbonate of iron*; as obtained by calcining sulphate of iron, it is known as *colcothar*, *caput mortuum vitrioli*, *trip*, *brown-red*, *rouge*, and *crocus*.

7. *Ammoniacal iron*. *Ferri ammoniochloridum*, formerly called *martial flowers of sal ammoniac*, *ens Veneris*, &c.

8. *Prussian or Berlin blue*. *Ferri ferrosesquicyanidum*, sometimes called *ferroprussiate of iron*.

9. *Copperas*. *Ferri sulphas*, commonly called *green vitriol*, *sal martis*, *vitriolated iron*, &c. The Romans termed it *atramentum sutorium*, or *shoemaker's black*.

10. *Rust of iron*. *Ferri rubigo*; a protoxide, obtained by moistening iron wire with water, and exposing it to the air



until it is corroded into rust, which is then made up into small conical loaves, like prepared chalk.

11. *Iron filings*. *Ferri ramenta*. Procured by filing pure iron with a clean file.

12. *Iron liquor*. The name given by dyers to the acetate of iron.

**FERTILISATION** (*fertilis, fertile*). The function of the pollen of plants upon the pistil, by means of which the ovules are converted into seeds.

**FERULA ASSAFŒTIDA**. The *Assafœtida Ferula*; an Umbelliferous plant, yielding the *assafœtida* of commerce. The *F. persica* is also supposed to yield this drug.

**FERVOR** (*ferveo, to boil*). A violent and scorching heat. *Ardor* denotes an excessive heat; *calor*, a moderate or natural heat. *Calor* expresses less than fervor, and fervor less than ardor.

**FEU VOLAGE**. Literally, *flying fire*; the French term for *æstus volaticus* of the earlier writers, and the erythema volaticum of Sauvages.

[FEVER. See *Febris*.]

**FIBER**. An old adjective for *extremus*, and applied by the Latins to the Beaver or Pontic Dog, from its residing at the extremities of rivers. It yields castoreum.

**FIBRE** (*fibra, a filament*). A filament or thread, of animal, vegetable, or mineral composition.

1. *Animal fibre*, or the filaments which compose the muscular fasciculi, &c. The epithets *carneous* and *tendinous* are sometimes added, to mark the distinction between fleshy and sinewy fasciculi.

2. *Woody fibre*, or lignin; the fibrous structure of vegetable substances.

3. *Fibril*. A small filament, or fibre, as the ultimate division of a nerve. The term is derived from *fibrilla*, dim. of *fibra*, a filament.

4. *Fibrin*. A tough fibrous mass, which, together with albumen, forms the basis of muscle. See *Blood*.

5. *Fibro-cartilage*. Membraniform cartilage. The substance, intermediate between proper cartilage and ligament, which constitutes the base of the ear, determining the form of that part; and composes the rings of the trachea, the epiglottis, &c. By the older anatomists it was termed *ligamentous cartilage*, or *cartilaginiform ligament*. It appears to be merely ligament incrustated with gelatin.

**FIBULA**. Literally, a clasp or buckle. Hence, it denotes the lesser bone of the leg, from its being placed opposite to the part where the *knee-buckle* was attached.

The term is also applied to a needle for sewing up wounds.

*Fibular*. [Belonging to the fibula.]

The designation of the external popliteal or *peroneal* nerve; of lymphatics, arteries, &c.

**FICATIO**, or **FICUS** (*ficus, a fig*). A fig-like tubercle about the anus or pudenda. See *Sycosis*.

**FICUS CARICA**. The Common Fig. The fig is an aggregate fruit called a *syconus*.

**FIDGETS**. *Titubatio*. A term derived from *fidgety*, probably a corruption of *fugitive*, and denoting general restlessness, with a desire of changing the position.

**FIDICINALES** (*fidicen, a harper*). A designation of the lumbricales of the hand, from their usefulness in playing upon musical instruments.

**FILAMENT** (*filum, a thread*). A small thread-like structure, or fibre, as that of a nerve, &c. Also, the thread-like portion of the stamen, which supports the anther.

**FILARIA** (*filum, a thread*). A thread-like parasitic worm, which infests the cornea of the eye of the horse.

**FILICES** (*filiæ, filicis, fern*). The Fern tribe of Acotyledonous plants. Leafy plants, producing a *rhizome*; leaves simple or variously divided; *flowerless*; *reproductive organs* consisting of *thecæ* or semi-transparent cases appearing on the back or margin of the leaves.

*Filicis radix*. The root of the *Aspidium filix, mas*, or male fern.

**FILIFORM** (*filum, a thread, forma, likeness*). Thread-like; applied to the papillæ at the edges of the tongue; [and in botany, to the filaments, and the styles of plants.]

**FILM**. The popular term for opacity of the cornea. See *Leucoma*.

**FILTRATION** (*filtrum, a strainer*). The act of straining fluids through paper, linen, sand, &c. The strainers are termed *filters*.

**FILTRUM**. The superficial groove along the upper lip, from the partition of the nose to the tip of the lip.

**FIMBRIA**. A fringe. The *fringe-like* extremity of the Fallopian tube.

[*Fimbriated*. Fringed; having the margin bordered with filiform processes.]

**FINERY CINDER**. A name given by Dr. Priestley to the pulverized black oxide of iron.

**FINGERS**. *Digiti*. These consist of twelve bones, arranged in three rows, termed *phalanges*.

**FIRE-DAMP**. A gas evolved in coal-



mines, consisting almost solely of light carburetted hydrogen. See *Choke-Damp*.

**FISH-GLUE.** Isinglass; a glue prepared from different kinds of fish. See *Ichthyocolla*.

**FISH-SKIN DISEASE.** A horny condition of the skin. See *Ichthyosis*.

[FISSIPAROUS. See *Generation*.]

**FISSU'RA** (*findo*, to cleave). A fissure, a groove; a fine crack in a bone.

1. *Fissura Glaseri*. A fissure situated in the deepest part of the glenoid fossa.

2. *Fissura longitudinalis*. A deep fissure observed in the median line on the upper surface of the brain, occupied by the falx cerebri of the dura mater.

3. *Fissura Silvii*. The fissure which separates the anterior and middle lobes of the cerebrum. It lodges the middle cerebral artery.

4. *Fissura umbilicalis*. The groove of the umbilical vein, situated between the large and small lobes, at the under and fore part of the liver, which, in the fœtus, contains the umbilical vein.

5. *Fissure of the spleen*. The groove which divides the inner surface of the spleen. It is filled by vessels and fat.

6. *Fissure of Bichat*. The name given to the transverse fissure of the brain, from the opinion of Bichat that it was here that the arachnoid entered into the ventricles.

**FISTULA.** A pipe to carry water; hence it denotes a *pipe-like* sore, with a narrow orifice, and without disposition to heal.

1. *Fistula in ano*; fistula penetrating into the cellular substance about the anus, or into the rectum itself. Those cases in which the matter has made its escape, by one or more openings through the skin only, are called *blind external fistulæ*; those in which the discharge has been made into the cavity of the intestine, without any orifice in the skin, are named *blind internal*; and those which have an opening both through the skin and into the gut, are called *complete fistulæ*.

2. *Fistula in perinæo*; fistula in the course of the perinæum, sometimes extending to the urethra, bladder, vagina, or rectum.

3. *Fistula lacrymalis*; fistula penetrating into the lacrymal sac.

4. *Fistula salivary*; fistula penetrating into the parotid duct, occasioned by a wound or ulcer.

**FIXED AIR.** A name formerly given by chemists to the air which was extricated from lime, magnesia, and alkalies, now called carbonic acid gas.

**FIXED BODIES.** Substances which do not evaporate by heat, as the *fixed*, opposed to the *volatile*, oils; or *non-metallic elements*, which can neither be fused nor volatilized, as carbon, silicon, and boron. This property of resistance is called *fixity*.

**FLABELLIFORM** (*flabellum*, a fan, *forma*, likeness). Fan-shaped; plaited like the rays of a fan.

**FLAGELLIFORM** (*flagellum*, a small whip). Whip-like; long, taper, and supple.

**FLAKE-WHITE.** Oxide of bismuth, so called from its occurring in small laminæ or flakes.

**FLAME** (*flamma*). The combustion of an *explosive mixture* of inflammable gas, or vapour, with air.

**FLASH.** A preparation used for colouring brandy and rum, and giving them a fictitious strength; it consists of an extract of cayenne pepper, or capsicum, with burnt sugar.

**FLATULENCE** (*flatus*, a blast). Wind in the intestines. The term *flatus* denotes the same thing.

**FLAX.** A substance prepared from the fibrous portion of the bark of *Linum usitatissimum*. The short fibres which are removed in heckling constitute *tow*. Of flax is made *linen*, and this, when scraped, constitutes *lint*.

[FLAXSEED. The seeds of *Linum usitatissimum*.]

**FLEAM.** An instrument for lancing the gums; and for bleeding horses.

**FLEXOR** (*flecto*, to bend). A muscle which bends the part into which it is inserted. Its antagonist is termed *extensor*.

**FLEXUOSE.** Wavy; bending alternately inwards and outwards.

**FLINT.** *Silex*. A mineral, consisting of silicious earth, nearly pure.

*Liquor of flints*, or liquor silicum. A name formerly given to the solution of silicated alkali.

**FLOCCI VOLITANTES.** *Muscæ Volitantes*. A symptom consisting in the appearance of objects, such as locks of wool, or flies, before the eyes.

**FLOCCITATIO** (*floccus*, a lock of wool). *Carphologia*. Picking the bed-clothes, a forerunner of death. Dame Quickly says of Falstaff: "After I saw him *fumble with the sheets*, and play with flowers, and smile upon his fingers' ends, I knew there was but one way; for his nose was as sharp as a pen, and 'a babbled of green fields."

**FLOCCOSE** (*floccus*, a lock of wool). Covered with tufts of hair.





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2. *Black flux*. A carbonaceous mixture, procured by heating cream of tartar alone.

3. *White flux*. White carbonate of potassa, prepared by deflagrating cream of tartar with two parts of nitre.

4. *Cornish Reducing Flux*. A mixture of ten ounces of tartar, three and a half ounces of nitre, and three ounces and a drachm of borax.

5. *Cornish Refining Flux*. Two parts of nitre, and one part of tartar, deflagrated, and then pounded.

FLUXION (*fluo*, to flow). - *Fluxion de poitrine*. Another name for catarrh.

FLUXUS CAPILLORUM. A term applied by Celsus to Alopecia, or the falling off of the hair. Parts entirely deprived of hair were called by him *areæ*; by Sauvages this affection was termed *alopecia areata*; and by Willan *porrigo decalvans*. When universal, it is designated, in French, *la pelade*.

FLY POWDER. See *Arsenicum*.

*Fly Water*. A solution of arsenic.

FŒNICULUM VULGARE. Common Fennel; a European, Umbelliferous plant, the fruit of which is incorrectly called *wild fennel seed*.

*Faniculum dulce*. A species or cultivated variety, which yields the *sweet fennel seeds* employed in medicine.

FŒTICIDE (*fœtus*, and *cædo*, to kill). The destruction of the fœtus in utero, commonly called criminal abortion.

FŒTOR (*fœteo*, to stink). A strong offensive smell.

FŒTUS. The young of any animal. The child *in utero*, after the fourth month. At an earlier period, it is commonly called the *embryo*. The term *fœtus* is also applied adjectively to animals which are pregnant.

[FOLIACEOUS (*folia*, a leaf). Leaf-like.]

FOLIA CEREBELLI (*folium*, any sort of leaf). An assemblage of gray laminæ, observed on the surface of the cerebellum.

FOLIATION (*folium*, a leaf). *Vernation*. The manner in which the young leaves are arranged within the leaf-bud.

FOLLICLE (dim. of *follis*, a pair of bellows). Literally, a little bag, or scrip of leather; in anatomy, a very minute secreting cavity.

1. *Follicles of Lieberkuhn*. Microscopic foramina, depressions, or small pouches of the mucous membrane of the *small intestine*, so numerous that, when sufficiently magnified, they give to the membrane the appearance of a sieve.

2. *Sebaceous Follicles*. Small cavities, situated in the skin, which supply the cuticle with an oily or *sebaceous* fluid, by minute ducts opening upon the surface.

3. *Mucous Follicles*. These are situated in the mucous membranes, chiefly that of the intestines. See *Gland*.

4. *Follicle in Plants*. A one-celled, one-valved superior fruit, dehiscent, along its face, as in *Pæonia*. The term *double follicle* is applied by Mirbel to the *conceptaculum* of other writers, and consists of a two-celled, superior fruit, separating into two portions, the seeds of which do not adhere to marginal placentæ, as in the follicle, but separate from their placentæ, and lie loose in each cell, as in *Asclepias*.

FOMENTATION (*foveo*, to keep warm). The application of flannel, wet with warm water, or some medicinal concoction.

FOMES. Pl. *Fomites*. Literally, fuel. This term is generally applied to substances imbued with contagion.

*Fomes ventriculi*. Hypochondriasis.

FONTANELLA (dim. of *fons*, a fountain). *Bregma*. The spaces left in the head of an infant, where the frontal and occipital bones join the parietal. It is also called *fons pulsabilis*, and commonly *mould*.

FONTICULUS (dim. of *fons*, a fountain). A little fountain; an issue.

FOOT. *Pes*. The organ of locomotion, consisting of the tarsus, the metatarsus, and the phalanges.

FORAMEN (*foro*, to pierce). An opening. A passage observed at the apex of the ovule in plants, and comprising both the exostome and the endostome.

1. *Foramen of Monro*. Foramen commune anterius. An opening under the arch of the fornix, by which the lateral ventricles communicate with each other, with the third ventricle, and with the infundibulum.

2. *Foramen of Soemmering*. Foramen centrale. A circular foramen at the posterior part of the retina, exactly in the axis of vision.

3. *Foramen ovale*. An oval opening situated in the partition which separates the right and left auricles, in the fœtus; it is also called the foramen of Botal. This term is also applied to an oval aperture communicating between the tympanum and the vestibule of the ear.

4. *Foramen rotundum*. The round, or, more correctly, triangular aperture of the internal ear. This, and the preceding



term, are, respectively, synonymous with *fenestra ovalis* and *rotunda*.

5. *Foramen cæcum*. The *blind hole* at the root of the spine of the frontal bone, so called from its not perforating the bone, or leading to any cavity. Also, the designation of a little sulcus, situated between the corpora pyramidalia and the pons Varolii.

6. *Foramen cæcum of Morgagni*. A deep mucous follicle situated at the meeting of the papillæ circumvallatæ upon the middle of the root of the tongue.

7. *Foramen supra-orbitarium*. The upper orbitary hole, situated on the ridge over which the eyebrow is placed.

8. *Foramen magnum occipitis*. The great opening at the under and fore part of the occipital bone.

9. *Foramen incisivum*. The opening immediately behind the incisor teeth.

10. *Foramina Thebesii*. Minute pore-like openings, by which the venous blood exhales directly from the muscular structure of the heart into the auricle, without entering the venous current. They were originally described by Thebesius.

11. *Foramen Vesalii*. An indistinct hole, situated between the foramen rotundum, and foramen ovale of the sphenoid bone, particularly pointed out by Vesalius.

12. *Foramen of Winslow*. An aperture situated behind the capsule of Glisson, first described by Winslow, and forming a communication between the large sac of the omentum, and the cavity of the abdomen.

13. This term is also applied to numerous little holes (*cribrosa foramina*) of the cribriform plate; to several openings—the *round*, the *oval*, the *spinal*—of the sphenoid bones; to certain holes—the *mastoid*, the *stylo-mastoid*, the *vidæan*, the *glenoid*—of the temporal bones; to the opening (*malar*) through which the malar nerve passes; to the opening (*infra-orbitar*) for the passage of nerves to the face; to the groove (*palato-maxillary*), through which the palatine nerve and vessels proceed to the palate; to another opening (*the palatine*) which transmits branches of the same to the soft palate; and to two openings at the base of the cranium, called, respectively, the *anterior* and *posterior lacerated foramen*.

**FORCEPS** (quasi *ferriceps*, from *fer-rum*, iron, *capio*, to take). A pair of tongs, or pincers; an instrument for extracting the fœtus. The *artery* or *dissecting forceps* is used for taking up the

mouths of arteries, &c. Celsus uses the word *forfex* for a pair of pincers for the extraction of teeth.

**FORMICA**. Literally, an ant. A term applied by the Arabians to *Herpes*, from its creeping progress.

1. *Formication*. A sensation of *creeping* in a limb, or in the surface of the body, occasioned by pressure or affection of a nerve.

2. *Formic Acid*. An acid extracted from red ants. Its salts are called *formiates*.

3. *Formyl*. A hypothetical radical of a series of compounds, one of which is formic acid.

**FORMULA** (dim. of *forma*, a form). A prescription; the mode of preparing medicines used in the pharmacopœias and in extemporaneous practice.

[*Formulary*. A collection of formulæ.]

**FORNIX**. Literally, an arched vault. A triangular lamina of white substance, extending into each lateral ventricle, and terminating in two crura, which arch downwards to the base of the brain.

**FOSSA** (*fodio*, to dig). A ditch or trench; a little depression, or sinus.

1. *Fossa hyaloïdea* (*ὑαλος*, glass, *εἶδος*, likeness). The cup-like excavation of the vitreous humour in which the crystalline lens is embedded.

2. *Fossa innominata*. The space between the helix and the antihelix.

3. *Fossa lacrymalis* (*lacryma*, a tear). A depression in the frontal bone for the reception of the lacrymal gland.

4. *Fossa navicularis* (*navicula*, a little boat). The superficial depression which separates the two roots of the antihelix. Also the dilatation towards the extremity of the spongy portion of the urethra. Also, the name of a small cavity immediately within the fourchette.

5. *Fossa ovalis*. The oval depression presented by the septum of the right auricle.

6. *Fossa pituitaria* (*pituita*, phlegm). The sella turcica, or cavity in the sphenoid bone for receiving the pituitary body.

7. *Fossa scaphoïdes* (*σκαφή*, a little boat, *εἶδος*, likeness). A term synonymous with *fossa navicularis*.

8. *Fossa Sylvii*. A designation of the fifth ventricle of the brain.

**FOSSIL** (*fodio*, to dig). Any thing dug out of the earth. The term is now applied to the remains of animal or vegetable substances found embedded in the strata of the earth.

**FOURCHETTE** (a fork). *Frænum*



*labiorum*. The name of the thin commissure, by which the labia majora of the pudendum unite together.

**FOUR-TAILED BANDAGE.** A bandage for the forehead, face, and jaws. The terms *head* and *tail* are used synonymously by writers; hence, this bandage is sometimes called the *sling with four heads*.

**FOUSEL OIL.** Oil of grain-spirits or potatoes. An oil produced in the fermentation of unmalted grain and potatoes. It is also called hydrate of oxide of amyl.

**FOVILLA.** A viscous liquor contained in the vesicles which compose the pollen of plants.

**FOWLER'S SOLUTION.** A solution of the *arsenite of potassa*, coloured and flavoured by the *compound spirit of lavender*, one fluid drachm of which contains half a grain of *arsenious acid*. It was introduced into practice by Dr. Fowler of Stafford, as a substitute for the empirical remedy known by the name of "The Tasteless Ague Drop."

*Solutio Solventis Mineralis.* The name of another preparation of this kind, introduced by the late Dr. Valangin; it is kept at Apothecaries' Hall, and is equally efficacious.—*Bateman*.

**FOXGLOVE.** The common name of the *Digitalis purpurea*, probably derived from the fanciful resemblance of its flowers to finger-cases,—*quasi folks' glove*.

**FRACTURE** (*frango*, to break). A solution of continuity of one or more bones. It is termed *transverse*, *longitudinal*, or *oblique*, according to its direction in regard to the axis of the bone. Fractures are distinguished as—

1. *Simple*; when the bone only is divided, without external wound.

2. *Compound*; the same sort of injury, with laceration of the integuments.

3. *Comminuted*; when the bone is broken into several pieces.

4. *Complicated*; when attended with diseases or accidents, as contusion, &c.

**FRÆNUM** (*fræno*, to curb a horse). A bridle; a part which performs the office of a check or curb.

1. *Fræna epiglottidis*. Three folds of mucous membrane which unite the epiglottis to the os hyoides and the tongue.

2. *Fræna of the valvule of Bauhin*. The name given by Morgagni to the *rugæ*, or lines observed at the extremities of the lips of the valvule of Bauhin, or ileo-colic valve.

3. *Frænum labiorum*. The fourchette,

or the lower commissure of the labia pudendi.

4. *Frænum linguæ*. A fold formed at the under surface of the tongue, by the mucous membrane lining the mouth. Infants are said to be *tongue-tied* when the frænum is very short, or continued too far forward.

5. *Frænum præputii*. A triangular fold, connecting the prepuce with the under part of the glans penis.

6. *Frænum of the under lip*. A fold of the mucous membrane of the mouth, formed opposite to the symphysis of the chin.

**FRAGILITAS OSSIUM.** *Fragile vitreum*. A morbid brittleness of the bones. See *Mollities Ossium*.

**FRAGMENT** (*frango*, to break). A piece of a thing broken. A splinter or detached portion of a fractured bone.

**FRAMBÆSIA** (*framboise*, French, a raspberry). A Latinized form of the French term for raspberry, applied to the disease called Yaws, which signifies the same in Africa; it is termed *Sibbens* (a corruption of the Gaëlic *Sirvens*, wild rash) in Scotland; and proved by Dr. Hibbert to be the same as the *Great Gore*, *Pox*, or *Morbus Gallicus*, of the fifteenth century. It consists of imperfectly suppurating tumours, gradually increasing to the size of a raspberry, with a fungous core.

1. *Master*, or *Mother-yaw*, termed *Mama-pian* by the Negroes; the designation of the largest tumour.

2. *Crab-yaws*. Tedious excrescences which occur on the soles of the feet, called *tubba* in the West Indies.

**FRANGIPAN.** An extract of milk, for preparing artificial milk, made by evaporating skimmed milk to dryness, mixed with almonds and sugar.

**FRANKINCENSE.** Formerly *Olibanum*, a gum-resin of the *Juniperus Lycia*; but now the *Abietis resina*, or Resin of the Spruce Fir.

**FRASERA WALTERI.** The American Calumba, a plant of the order *Gentianaceæ*, with the properties of gentian. From its having been sold in France as calumba, it was called *false calumba*.

**FRAXINUS ORNUS.** The flowering Ash, or Manna tree; an Oleaceous plant, which yields manna.

**FRECKLES.** The little yellow *lentiginæ* which appear on persons of fair skin; sun-burn, &c. See *Ephelis*.

**FREEZING-POINT.** The degree of temperature at which water is changed into ice, or 32° Fahr.





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2. *Fulminating Mercury*. A powder obtained by dissolving mercury in nitric acid, and pouring the solution into alcohol. It is employed for making *percussion caps*.

3. *Fulminating silver*. A black powder prepared by leaving oxide of silver for ten or twelve hours in contact with a strong solution of ammonia.

4. *Fulminating ammoniuret of silver*. A combination of oxide of silver and ammonia, of violently explosive character.

5. *Fulminating platinum*. A substance prepared by the action of ammonia on a solution of sulphate of platinum.

6. *Fulminating powder*. A mixture of three parts of chlorate of potass, and one of sulphur; or three parts of nitre, two of carbonate of potass, and one of sulphur, in powder.

**FULMINATION** (*fulmen*, a thunder-bolt). The explosion which takes place in chemical bodies by friction or heat.

**FULMINIC ACID**. A compound of cyanogen, which explodes when heated, rubbed, or struck. It is said to differ from *cyanic acid* in the ratio of its elements, and in containing hydrogen.

[**FUMARIA OFFICINALIS**. *Fumitory*. An European, Papaveraceous plant, formerly much esteemed as a remedy in visceral obstructions and eruptive diseases. The expressed juice and a decoction of the leaves are employed.]

**FUMARIC ACID**. A monobasic acid, produced by heating malic acid, and also existing in *fumitory*, and in Iceland moss.

**FUMIGATION** (*fumigo*, to perfume). The use of fumes, chiefly chlorine, nitric acid, or vinegar, for the removal of effluvia or miasmata. Also, the application of fumes, as of water to the throat, of mercury or sulphur to sores, &c.

**FUMING LIQUOR** (*fumus*, smoke). A chemical mixture, which emits fumes or vapour on exposure to the air.

1. *Boyle's fuming liquor*. The proto-sulphuret of ammonium; a volatile liquid, formerly called *hepar sulphuris volatilis*, &c. The vapour is decomposed by oxygen, producing fumes.

2. *Cadet's fuming liquor*. A liquid obtained by the dry distillation of equal weights of acetate of potash and arsenious acid. It is remarkable for its insupportable odour and spontaneous inflammability in air. It is also called *alcarsin*.

3. *Libavius's fuming liquor*. The anhydrous bi-chloride of tin; a colourless, limpid liquid, which fumes strongly in humid air.

**FUNCTION** (*fungor*, to discharge an office). The office of an organ in the animal or vegetable economy, as of the heart in circulation, of the leaf in respiration, &c.

1. *Vital functions*. Functions *immediately* necessary to life; viz. those of the brain, the heart, the lungs, &c.; whence these have been called the *tripod* of life.

2. *Natural functions*. Functions less instantly necessary to life; as digestion, absorption, assimilation; reabsorption, expulsion, &c.

3. *Animal functions*. Functions of relation to the external world; as the senses, the voluntary motions.

4. *Reflex function*. A term applied by Dr. M. Hall to that action of the muscles which arises from a stimulus, acting through the medium of their nerves and the spinal marrow: thus the larynx closes on the contact of carbonic acid, the pharynx on that of food, the sphincter ani on that of the fæces, &c.

[**FUNDUS**. In anatomy, the bottom of any of the viscera.]

**FUNGI**. The Mushroom tribe of Cellular or Acotyledonous plants. Plants consisting of a congeries of cellules, chiefly growing upon decayed substances. *Sporules* lying either loose among the tissue, or enclosed in membranous cases called *sporidia*.

1. *Fungic acid*. An acid procured from several species of *fungus*, by expressing their juice, boiling it, forming an extract, and treating it with alcohol.

2. *Fungin*. A whitish substance forming the base of fungi.

**FUNGIFORM** (*fungus*, a mushroom, *forma*, likeness). Fungus-like; a term applied to the papillæ near the edges of the tongue. Having a rounded convex head, like that of a mushroom.

**FUNGUS**. A mushroom. A morbid growth of granulations in ulcers, commonly termed *proud flesh*. Granulations are often called *fungous* when they are too high, large, flabby, and unhealthy.

*Fungus Hæmatodes* (*αἱματώδης*, bloody). Bleeding fungus; Soft Cancer; Medullary Sarcoma; Spongoid Inflammation, &c. In *England*, it is a form of encephalosis; in *France*, *nævus*, morbid erectile tissue, &c.

**FUNICULUS** (dim. of *funis*, a thick rope). A term applied to the spermatic cord, consisting of the spermatic artery and vein, &c.

**FUNIS UMBILICALIS**. The umbilical cord; the means of communication



between the foetus and the placenta. Its length is almost two feet.

**FURFUR, FURFURIS.** Bran. A desquamation of the cuticle.

1. *Furfur tritici.* Bran. *Panis furfuraceus*, brown or bran bread.

2. *Furfuraceus.* Branny, or scaly; a term applied to a deposit in the urine, which is said to consist of the phosphates of that fluid.

**FURNACE** (*furnus*). A fire-place employed for pharmaceutical operations, as fusion, distillation, sublimation, the oxidisement, and the deoxidisement, or reduction, of metals. Furnaces have accordingly been termed

1. *Evaporatory*, when employed to reduce substances into vapour by heat.

2. *Reverberatory*, when so constructed as to prevent the flame from rising.

3. *Forge*, when the current of air is determined by bellows.

**FUROR UTERINUS.** Uterine madness; another term for nymphomania.

**FURUNCULUS** (*furo*, to rage). A boil, so named from its violent inflammation.

**FUSELÔL.** An oily liquor obtained from alcohol, also termed oil of grain, corn-spirit oil, potato-spirit oil, and hypothetically, hydrate of amule.

**FUSIBILITY** (*fusus*, melted or poured out). The property by which bodies assume the fluid state on the application of heat.

**FUSIBLE CALCULUS.** A variety of urinary concretion, consisting of the mixed phosphates of magnesia and ammonia, and of lime.

**FUSIBLE METAL.** An alloy of 8

parts of bismuth, 5 of lead, and 3 of tin; it melts below the temperature at which water boils.

*Rose's Fusible Alloy.* An alloy consisting of 2 parts by weight of bismuth, with 1 of lead and 1 of tin.

**FUSIFORM** (*fusus*, a spindle, *forma*, likeness). Spindle-shaped; thickest at the middle and tapering to both ends; a term applied to certain roots.

**FUSION** (*fusus*, melted, from *fundo*, to pour out). The state of melting. Substances which admit of being fused are termed *fusible*, but those which resist the action of fire are termed *refractory*. Fusion differs from liquefaction in being applied chiefly to metals and other substances which melt at a high temperature.

1. *Aqueous fusion.* The solution of salts which contain water of crystallization on exposure to increased temperature.

2. *Dry fusion.* The liquefaction produced by heat after the water has been expelled.

3. *Igneous fusion.* The melting of anhydrous salts by heat without undergoing any decomposition.

**FUSTICK, or YELLOW WOOD.** The wood of the *Morus tinctoria*, an Urticeous plant, which yields much yellow colouring matter, which is very permanent.

*Young fustick, or fustet.* The wood of the *Rhus Cotinus*, the *arbre à perruque*, or wig-tree of the French, and Venetian Sumach of the English; an Anacardiaceous plant, which yields a fine yellow colour, but not durable.

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**GADOLINITE.** The name of a mineral, so called from the Swedish chemist Gadolin, who discovered in it the earth *yttria*.

**GALACTIA** (*γάλα*, milk). Mislactation; a morbid flow or deficiency of milk; the former affection has been termed *galactorrhœa*, or milk-flux.

**GALACTIC ACID** (*γάλα*, milk). *Lactic acid.* The acid of milk, supposed to be merely animalized acetic acid.

**GALACTIN** (*γάλα*, *γάλακτος*, milk). A substance which constitutes the principal ingredient in the sap of the *Galactodendron utile*, or Cow Tree of South America, used as a substitute for cream.

**GALACTOPHOROUS** (*γάλα*, *γάλακτος*, milk, *φέρω*, to carry). Lactiferous, or milk-conveying, as applied to the ducts of the mammary glands.

**GALANGA MAJOR.** *Radix Galangæ.* The pungent aromatic rhizome of the *Alpinia Galanga*, a plant of the order *Zingiberaceæ*, forming a substitute for ginger.

**GALBANUM.** A gum-resin; the secreted juice of the *Galbanum Officinale*, an Umbelliferous plant. It occurs in *tear* and in *lump*.

**GALBULUS.** A kind of cone, differing from the strobile only in being round, and having the heads of the carpels much



enlarged. The fruit of the Juniper is a galbulus.

**GALEA.** Literally, a helmet. The name of the arched upper lip of the corolla of several labiate plants, as *Lamium*, &c.

*Galeate.* Arched like a helmet; as applied to the lip of some labiate corollas.

[**GALEGA OFFICINALIS.** Goat's rue. An European, Leguminous plant, formerly employed as a remedy in malignant fevers, bites of snakes, &c., but now not used.

[*Galega Virginiana.* Virginia goat's rue. An indigenous species, the root of which is said to be diaphoretic and powerfully anthelmintic. It is given in decoction.]

**GALEN'S BANDAGE.** A term sometimes applied to the *four-tailed* bandage, or *single split-cloth*.

**GALE'NA.** Lead-glance; the native sulphuret of lead.

**GALIPEA CUSPARIA.** A Rutaceous plant, said by Humboldt to produce *Angostura bark*, a substance assigned by Dr. Hancock to the *Galipea Officinalis*.

**GALIPOT.** *Barras.* A white resin, derived from the *Pinus pinaster*, or cluster pine.

[**GALIUM APARINE.** Cleavers; Goosegrass. A *Rubiaceous* plant common in Europe and the United States, the expressed juice of which is said to be aperient, diuretic, and antiscorbutic. The dose is ℥ij. twice a day.

[*G. verum.* Yellow Lady's Bed-Straw; Cheese-rennet. An European species formerly esteemed as a remedy in epilepsy and hysteria. It is used to colour cheese yellow.

[*G. Tinctorium.* An American species, closely allied in properties to the preceding. It is employed by the Indians for staining their ornaments red.]

**GALL-BLADDER.** *Cystis fellea.* A membranous reservoir, lodged in a fissure on the under surface of the right lobe of the liver, and containing the bile.

1. *Gall-ducts.* These are the *cystic*, proceeding from the gall-bladder; the *hepatic*, proceeding from the liver; and the *ductus communis choledochus*, resulting from the union of the two preceding.

2. *Gall-stones.* Biliary concretions found in the gall-bladder; [and sometimes in the liver and hepatic and choledoch ducts;] viz.

1. Calculi composed of *cholesterine*, nearly in a state of purity.

2. *Mellitic* calculi, so named from their likeness to honey, in colour.

3. Calculi entirely composed of *inspissated bile*.

**CALL-SICKNESS.** A popular name for the Walcheren fever, which proved so fatal to the English in the year 1809, and is attended with a vomiting of bile.

**GALLÆ.** Galls, gall-nuts, or oak-galls; excrescences of the *Quercus infectoria*, and other species of the oak, produced by the *nidus*, or nest, of the hymenopterous insect, *cynips quercifolii*.

**GALLIC ACID.** An acid obtained from gall-nuts, but principally by decomposition of tannic acid.

**GALLI'NÆ** (*gallus*, a cock). Gallinaceous birds, so named from their affinity to the domestic cock.

**GALVANIC MOXA.** A term applied by Fabré-Palaprat, to the employment of voltaic electricity, as a therapeutical agent, for producing the cauterizing effects of the moxa.

**GALVANISM.** A form of electricity named after *Galvani*, and usually elicited by the mutual action of various metals and chemical agents upon each other. The additional discoveries of Volta led to the term *Voltaism*, or *Voltaic Electricity*; and its effects on the muscles of animals newly killed, suggested the term *Animal Electricity*.

1. *Galvanic Battery*, or *Trough*. An apparatus for accumulating Galvanism, consisting of plates of zinc and copper fastened together, and cemented into a wooden or earthenware trough, so as to form a number of cells; the trough is then filled with diluted acid.

[2. *Galvanic Pile.* See *Pile*.]

3. *Galvano-meter* (*μέτρον*, a measure). An instrument which indicates the feeblest polarization of the magnetic needle, or slightest current in the connecting wire of a voltaic circle.

4. *Galvano-scope* (*σκοπέω*, to examine). An instrument by means of which the existence and direction of an electric current may be detected. A magnetic needle is a galvanoscope.

**GAMBIR.** The Malay name of an astringent extract, procured from the *Uncaria gambir*. The substance commonly called *square catechu*, and by tanners *terra japonica*, is the produce of this plant, and is therefore not catechu, but gambir.

**GAMBOGE.** A gum-resin, said to be produced by a species of *Hebradendron*, a Guttiferous plant.

1. *Gambogic acid.* An acid procured by evaporating to dryness the ethereal tincture of the pure gum-resin.





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the Romans, from the *γάρος* a small fish; it resembled the modern anchovy sauce in nature and use.

**GAS.** An old Teutonic word, signifying air or spirit; now applied to any permanent aëriform fluid. *Gases* are distinguished from *liquids* by the name of *elastic fluids*; and from *vapours*, by their retaining their elasticity in all temperatures.

**Gaseous.** That which has the nature of gas; *gaseous fluids* are thus distinguished from other fluids.

**GASTE'R** (*γαστήρ*). The Greek term for the stomach.

1. *Gastric fever.* A term first applied by Baillou to common fever, when attended by unusual gastric derangement; it is the *meningo-gastric* of Pinel.

2. *Gastric juice.* The peculiar digestive fluid secreted by the stomach.

3. *Gastero-poda* (*ποῦς, ποδός*, a foot). The third class of the *Cyclo-gangliata*, or *Mollusca*, comprising animals furnished with a muscular foot, extended under the abdomen, and adapted for creeping.

4. *Gastr-itis.* Inflammation of the stomach; the nosological termination *itis* denoting inflammation.

5. *Gastro-cele* (*κήλη*, a tumour). Hernia of the stomach.

6. *Gastro-cnemius* (*κνήμη*, the leg). A muscle, also called *gemellus*, which principally forms the calf or *belly* of the leg; it is distinguished into two fleshy masses, called the outer and inner heads. Its office is to extend the foot.

7. *Gastr-odynia* (*ὀδύνη*, pain), or *gastralgia* (*ἄλγος*, pain). Pain in the stomach.

8. *Gastro-enteritis.* Inflammation of the gastro-intestinal mucous membrane.

9. *Gastro-epiploic* (*ἐπίπλοον*, the omentum). Belonging to the stomach and omentum, as applied to a branch of the hepatic artery, lymphatic glands of the abdomen, &c.

10. *Gastro-malacia* (*μαλακός*, soft). Softening of the stomach; a disease occurring in infants, and usually preceded by hydrocephalus, by an acute exanthematous disease, or by some disease of the respiratory organs.

11. *Gastro-periodynia* (*περίοδος*, a period). Periodical pain of the stomach; a peculiar disease known in India by the name of *sool*. So painful are the paroxysms of this disease, that it is supposed to be produced by the deadly weapon in the hands of Siva, the destroying power of the *triad*; and so incurable that even Siva himself cannot remove it.

12. *Gastro-raphe* (*ῥαφή*, a suture). A

suture uniting a wound of the belly, or of some of its contents.

13. *Gastro-splenic omenta.* A term applied to the laminæ of the peritoneum, which are comprised between the spleen and the stomach.

14. *Gastro-tomia* (*τομή*, section). [Gastrotomy.] The operation of opening the abdomen, as in the Cæsarian section.

[**G A U L T H E R I A P R O C U M B E N S.** Partridge-berry; winter-green; teaberry. An indigenous plant of the order *Ericaceæ*, which combines the properties of an aromatic and astringent. An infusion of the leaves has been employed in amenorrhœa and in chronic dysentery. Its volatile oil is used to flavour other medicines. In the dose of an ounce it is said to have caused fatal gastritis.]

**GAYACINE.** A substance procured from the bark of guaiacum; it dissolves in nitric acid, forming oxalic acid.

**GE'INE**, or **GE'IC ACID** (*γήινος*, earthy, from *γη*, earth). A name given by Berzelius to *humus*, or vegetable mould, the result of the decomposition of vegetable substances.

**GELATINE** (*gelu*, frost). The principle of jelly. It is found in the skin, cartilages, tendons, membranes, and bones. The purest variety of gelatine is *isinglass*; the common gelatine of commerce is called *glue*; and the hydrate of gelatine, *jelly*.

*Gelatine Capsules.* Capsules prepared from a concentrated solution of gelatine, and filled with medicines. When swallowed, the capsules dissolve in the gastro-intestinal juices, and the nauseous taste of the medicine is avoided.

**GELE'E POUR LE GOITRE.** A preparation sold at Lausanne in Switzerland, consisting of the iodide of potassium.

**GEMELLUS** (dim. of *geminus*, double). The name of two muscles—the *superior* and the *inferior*—situated below the obturator externus. They are also called *musculi gemini*.

**GEMMA.** The general name for any precious stone; also, a leaf-bud, or the rudiment of a young branch. The term *gemmae* is also applied to minute green bodies found in little cups on the fronds of *Marchantia*.

*Gemmule.* A term used synonymously with *plumule*, the growing point of the embryo in plants.

**GENÆ.** The cheeks, forming the lateral walls of the mouth. See *Mala*.

**GENERATION** (*genero*, to beget). Reproduction. This is—

1. *Fissiparous* (*fissus*, cleft, from *findo*,



to cleave; and *pario*, to bring forth); when it occurs by *spontaneous* division of the body of the parent into two or more parts, each part, when separated, becoming a distinct individual, as in the monad, vorticella, &c.; or by *artificial* division, as in the hydra, planaria, &c.; in the propagation of plants by *slips*.

2. *Gemmiparous* (*gemma*, a bud, and *pario*, to bring forth), or the multiplication of the species by *buds* or *gemmules*, arising from germs, as exemplified in the vegetable kingdom, in many of the infusoria, &c.

3. By *Fecundation* (*fecundus*, fruitful), or the effect of the vivifying fluid provided by one class of organs upon the germ contained in a seed or ovum formed by another class; the germ, when fecundated, is termed the *embryo*. This process consists in *impregnation* in the male, *conception* in the female.

**GENICULATE** (*genu*, a knee). Knee-jointed, bent abruptly in the middle, as the stems of some grasses.

**GENIO**—(*γένειον*, the chin). Terms compounded of this word relate to muscles attached to the chin, as—

1. *Genio-glossus* (*γλωσσα*, the tongue). A muscle situated between the tongue and the lower jaw. This is also called *genio-hyoglossus*, from its being inserted also into the os hyoides; and by Winslow, *polychrestus*, from its performing every motion of the tongue.

2. *Genio-hyoideus*. A muscle attached to the mental process of the lower jaw and to the os hyoides. It pulls the throat upwards.

3. *Genial Processes*. The name of four eminences of the inferior maxillary bone, beneath the symphysis of the chin.

[**GENISTA TINCTORIA**. Dyers-broom; green-weed. An European, Leguminous plant, the flowering tops and seeds of which are said to possess purgative and emetic properties. It was extolled some years ago as a preventive of hydrophobia.]

**GENITO-CRURAL**. The name of a nerve proceeding from the first lumbar, and dividing into an *internal branch*, which accompanies the spermatic cord; and an *external*, which is distributed into filaments at the crural arch.

**GENTIANACEÆ**. The Gentian tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants with *leaves* opposite; *flowers* terminal, axillary; *stamens*, alternate with the segments of the corolla; *ovarium* single, superior, 1- or 2-celled; *fruit* a many-seeded berry.

1. *Gentianæ radix*. Gentian root; the root of the *Gentiana lutea*, so called from Gentius, king of Illyria, its discoverer.

[2. *Gentiana Catesbæi*. Blue gentian. An American species possessing similar properties to the *G. lutea*.]

3. *Gentianite*. The bitter principle of gentian. This, and *gentisin*, were formerly confounded under the name of *gentianin*.

4. *Gentisin* or *gentisic acid*. A crystalline, tasteless substance procured from gentian.

5. *Gentian spirit*. An alcoholic liquor produced by the vinous fermentation of the infusion of gentian, and much admired by the Swiss.

**GENU** (*γόνυ*). A Latin term for the knee. It is indeclinable in the singular number. See *Gonagra*.

**GEOFRÆA INERMIS** (so named after Dr. Geoffroy). The Cabbage tree, a Leguminous plant, named from its offensive smell, *bilge-water tree*.

**GEORGIA BARK**. The bark of the *Pinckneya pubens*, an American plant, used as a substitute for *Cinchona*.

[**GERANIUM MACULATUM**. Cranesbill. An indigenous plant of the order *Geraniaceæ*. Its root is an astringent of considerable power, and is a popular remedy in various parts of the United States. It is given in substance, decoction, tincture, and extract. The dose of the powder is ℞j. to ℥j.

[*G. Robertianum*. Herb Robert. A species common to this country and Europe, though rare in the former. It has been used internally in intermittent fever, consumption, hemorrhages, jaundice, &c.; as a gargle in affections of the throat; and externally, as a resolvent to swollen breasts, tumours, &c.]

**GERMAN PASTE**. Beat together lbij. of pease flour, lbj. of blanched sweet almonds, three ounces of fresh butter, the yolks of two fresh eggs, with a little honey and saffron; heat the mass gently, and pass it through a sieve, to form it into grains.

**GERMAN SILVER**. *Packfong*. The white alloy of nickel, formed by fusing together 100 parts of copper, 60 of zinc, and 40 of nickel.

**GERMAN TINDER**. *Amadou*. A substance prepared from the *Polyporus fomentarius* and *igniarius*, by cutting the fungi into slices, beating, and soaking them in a solution of nitre.

**GERMEN**. The term applied by Linæus to the *ovarium* of plants, or the



hollow ease forming the base of the pistil, and containing the ovules.

**GERMINATION** (*germino*, to bud). The growth of the plant from seed.

**GERONTOXON** (*γέρων*, *γέροντος*, an old man, *τόξον*, a bow). *Arcus senilis*. The opaque circle, or half circle, which occurs in the cornea, in elderly persons.

**GESTATION** (*gestatio uterina*). The state of pregnancy; the carrying of the fœtus in utero. Of erratic or *extra-uterine* gestation, there are four kinds, viz.—

1. The *abdominal*, in which the fœtus is lodged in the abdomen.

2. The *interstitial*, in which the fœtus is lodged among the interstitial elements of the uterus.

3. The *ovarial*, in which the fœtus is developed in the ovarium.

4. The *tubular*, in which the fœtus is lodged in the Fallopian tube.

**GEUM URBANUM**. Common Avena, or Herb Bennet; a European, Rosaceous plant, the root of which is employed for flavouring and preserving the Augsburg beer.

[*G. Rivale*. Water Avena. A species common to Europe and the United States, the root of which is tonic and very astringent. It is used in passive hemorrhages, leucorrhœa, diarrhœa, and as a tonic in phthisis, dyspepsia, &c. The dose of the root is from ℥j. to ℥j.; of the decoction, made by boiling an ounce of the root in a pint of water, f℥j. to f℥ij.]

[**GIBBOUS** (*gibbus*, protuberant). An irregularity or swelling on the back, or other part of the body. In botany, applied to leaves, petals, &c., when irregularly swelled on one side or both.]

[**GILLENIA**. Ph. U. S. The root of the *Gillenia trifoliata*, an indigenous, Rosaceous plant; a mild and efficient emetic, and used as a substitute for *Ipecacuanha*. The dose is from ℥j. to ℥ss. Another species, *G. stipulacea*, though not officinal, possesses the same medical properties.]

**GIMBERNAT'S LIGAMENT**. The name given to that portion of the external oblique muscle, which is inserted into the pectineal line. It is commonly called "the third insertion of Poupert's ligament." Gimbernat was surgeon to the king of Spain, and published an essay on femoral hernia in 1793.

[**GIN**. A spirit distilled from malt or rye, and then distilled with juniper-berries. A very considerable portion of the liquor, however, sold for gin, is factitious, and prepared from pernicious articles.]

**GINGILIE OIL**. A bland fixed oil procured by expression from the seeds of the *Sesamum orientale*, commonly called *teel seeds*.

**GINGIVÆ**. The gums; the reddish tissue which surrounds the neck of the teeth.

**GINGLYMUS** (*γινγλυμδος*, a hinge). The *hinge-like* joint. See *Articulation*.

*Ginglymoid* (*εἶδος*, likeness). Hinge-like; as applied to that species of joint which admits of flexion and extension.

**GIN-SENG**. A term signifying *human powers*, and applied by the Chinese to the root of the *Panax quinquefolium*, in high repute as a stimulant and restorative.

**GIZZARD**. The proper stomach of birds, consisting of a strong hollow muscle. Compare *Crop*.

**GLABELLA** (*glaber*, smooth). The triangular space betwixt the eyebrows.

*Glabellar*. A term used by Barclay to denote an aspect of the head.

[*Glabrous*. Smooth. Having a surface free from hairs or any asperities.]

**GLACIAL ACID** (*glacies*, ice). The strongest acetic acid which can be procured. It exists in a *crystallized* state under fifty degrees of Fahrenheit, and contains 79 per cent. of real acid. See *Acetum*.

[**GLADIATE** (*gladius*, a sword). Sword-shaped. Synonymous with *ensiform*.]

**GLAIRINE**. A term referred by some to a gelatinous vegetable matter; by others, to a pseud-organic substance which forms on thermal waters.

**GLANCE** (*glanz*, splendour; or *glacies*, ice). A name given to certain minerals which have a metallic or pseudo-metallic lustre, as glance-coal, &c.

**GLAND** (*glans*, *glandis*, an acorn). A small body, occurring in many parts of the body, and composed of its various tissues, blood-vessels, nerves, &c. Dr. Pemberton designates as *glands of supply*, the liver, the pancreas, the spleen, &c.; and, as *glands of waste*, the kidneys, the mamma, &c.

1. *Gland, conglobate* (*con*, together, *globus*, a ball), or simple; a gland subsisting by itself, as those of the absorbent system.

2. *Gland, conglomerate* (*con*, together, *glomus*, *glomeris*, a heap), or compound; a gland composed of various glands, as the salivary, parotid, pancreatic, &c.

3. *Glands, concatenate* (chained together, from *con* and *catēna*, a chain), or glands of the neck, presenting, in chil-





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lesser omentum, and accompanies them through the transverse fissure to their ultimate ramifications.

**GLOBULES, RED** (dim. of *globus*, a ball). The red colouring matter of the blood; a peculiar animal principle.

**GLOBULINE**. The principal constituent of the blood globules, closely allied to albumen. Also, the term applied by Turpin to the amylaceous granules found in the tissue of plants, which he considered as the elementary state of the tissue.

**GLOBUS HYSTERICUS**. A sensation attendant on hysteria, as of a globus or ball ascending to the stomach, then up the chest to the neck, and becoming fixed in the throat.

1. *Globus major epididymis*. A name applied to the upper end of the epididymis, which is of great size, owing to the large assemblage of convoluted tubes in the *coni vasculosi*.

2. *Globus minor epididymis*. The lower portion of the epididymis, consisting of the convolutions of the *vas deferens*, previously to its commencing its ascending course.

**GLOMERATION** (*glomus*, *glomeris*, a ball or clew of thread). Literally, heaping into a ball; a term sometimes applied to tumour.

**GLOMERULE**. *Glomus*. A form of inflorescence bearing the same relation to the capitulum that the compound does to the simple umbel; that is, it is a cluster of capitula enclosed in a common involucre, as in *Echinops*.

**GLOSSA, or GLOTTA** (*γλωττα*). The tongue; the organ of speech.

1. *Gloss-agra* (*ἄγρα*, seizure). Inflammation of the tongue; swelled tongue; a term synonymous with glossalgia, glossocele, glossitis, &c.

2. *Gloss-itis*. Inflammation of the tongue; the terminal particle *itis* denoting inflammation.

3. *Glosso-*. Terms compounded of this word belong to nerves or muscles attached to the tongue, as in the three following terms.

4. *Glosso-staphylinus*. A designation of the constrictor isthmi faucium, from its origin in the tongue, and insertion into the uvula.

5. *Glosso-pharyngeus*. A synonym of the constrictor superior, from its origin in the root of the tongue, and its insertion into the pharynx.

6. *Glosso-pharyngeal nerves*. Another name for the eighth pair.

7. *Glosso-calochos* (*κατέχω*, to hold

down). An instrument for depressing the tongue.

8. *Glosso-cele* (*κήλη*, a tumour). An extrusion of the tongue; swelled tongue.

9. *Glosso-comum* (*κομέω*, to guard). Formerly, a case for the tongue of a hautboy; but, metaphorically, a kind of long box, or case, for containing a fractured leg.

10. *Glosso-logy* (*λόγος*, an account). [A treatise on the tongue. A definition of hard terms (*glossa*, a hard term); explanatory notes for illustrating an author.]

**GLOTTIS** (*γλωττα*, the tongue). *Rima glottidis*. The aperture between the arytenoid cartilages. It is covered by a cartilage called the *epi-glottis*.

**GLUCIC ACID** (*γλυκὺς*, sweet). An acid formed by the action of a saturated solution of lime or barytes on grape sugar.

**GLUCINA** (*γλυκὺς*, sweet; many of its combinations having a sweet taste). An earth found in the *emerald*, the *beryl*, and the *euclase*. Its metallic base is called *glucinum*.

**GLUCOSE** (*γλυκὺς*, sweet). Another name for starch sugar, diabetic sugar, or the sugar of fruits.

**GLUE** (*gluten*). The common gelatine of commerce, made from the parings of hides, hoofs, &c.

**GLUME** (*gluma*, the husk of corn). A term applied to the peculiar envelope of the floral apparatus in grasses, which are hence called *glumaceæ*. It is a modification of the bract.

*Glumaceous*. Having the floral envelopes reduced to scales, called glumes, as in grasses.

**GLUTÆUS** (*γλουτῶς*, the buttock). The name of three muscles of the hip, forming part of the buttocks. They are the *maximus*, which extends the thigh; the *medius*, which acts in standing; and the *minimus*, which assists the others. Hence the term—

*Glutæal*. Applied to the posterior iliac artery—to lymphatics which have the same distribution as that artery—and to a nerve distributed to the glutæi muscles.

**GLUTEN** (*gelo*, to congeal). A viscid substance obtained from wheaten flour. It has been decomposed into

1. *Glutine* (*γλία*, gluten). Vegetable albumen; and

2. *Zymome* (*ζύμη*, leaven). That portion of the mass which the acid that is present has united with.

**GLUTEN BREAD**. An article of diet used in diabetes. It is not made of pure gluten, but one-sixth of the original



quantity of starch contained in the flour is retained.

**GLUTINE.** A principle resembling gluten, but differing from it in not being soluble in alcohol.

**GLUTINOUS SAP.** *Milky sap.* Vegetable milk, or the juice obtained by incision from the Palo de Vaca, or Cow tree, which grows in the province of Caraccas.

**GLYCERIN** ( $\gamma\lambda\upsilon\kappa\upsilon\varsigma$ , sweet). The sweet principle of oil, also termed hydrate of oxide of glyceryl.

**GLYCERYL** [or **GLYCERULE**] ( $\gamma\lambda\upsilon\kappa\upsilon\varsigma$ , sweet, ὕλη, matter). A hypothetical radical existing in glycerin.

**GLYCYRRHIZA GLABRA** ( $\gamma\lambda\upsilon\kappa\upsilon\varsigma$ , sweet, ῥίζα, a root). Common Licorice; a Leguminous plant, the underground stem of which is called *licorice-root*, or *stick licorice*. The Greeks distinguished the licorice-root by the name of *adipson*, from *a*, priv., and *δίψα*, thirst, from its property of assuaging thirst; perhaps the term *licorice* may be derived from the same idea.

*Glycyrrhizin* [or *Glycion*]. Licorice-sugar; the saccharine juice of licorice-root.

**GOBEL'S PYROPHORUS.** A mixture of charcoal and lead, in which the latter is in such an extreme state of division, as to take fire on exposure to the air. It is formed by heating the tartrate of lead in a close vessel or tube to dull redness.

[**GODFREY'S CORDIAL.** A celebrated carminative, and anodyne cordial. The following is the formula for preparing it, recommended by a committee of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. "Take of tincture of opium, Ojss.; molasses (from the sugar refiners), Oxxvj.; alcohol, Oij.; water, Oxxvj.; carbonate of potassa, ℥iiss.; oil of sassafras, f℥iv. Dissolve the carbonate of potassa in the water, add the molasses, and heat over a gentle fire till they simmer; take off the scum which rises, and add the laudanum and oil of sassafras, having previously mixed them well together."]

**GOITRE**, or **GOTRE** (probably a corruption of *guttur*, the throat). The name given in Switzerland to Bronchocele, or the Thyrophraxia of Alibert. Heister thought it should be called *tracheocele*. Prosser, from its frequency in the hilly parts of Derbyshire, called it the *Derbyshire neck*; and, not satisfied respecting the similitude of this tumour to that observed on the necks of women on the Alps, the *English bronchocele*. It con-

sists in an enlargement of the thyroid gland, and is frequently associated with cretinism.

**GOLD.** A yellow metal, generally found native in primary rocks, and in alluvial depositions. See *Aurum*.

Gold coin is termed—

1. *Sterling*, i. e. 22 gold + 2 copper.

2. *Standard*, i. e. 18 gold + 6 copper.

Gold becomes *green* when silver is substituted for copper.

**GOLD LEAF ELECTROMETER.** An instrument for detecting the presence of electricity by the divergence of two slips of gold leaf.

**GOLDEN SULPHURET.** A sulphuret of antimony, also termed *sulphantimonic acid*, and prepared by precipitating antimonic acid by sulphuretted hydrogen. See *Kermes Mineral*.

**GOMPHOSIS** ( $\gamma\delta\mu\phi\omicron\varsigma$ , a peg). An articulation of bones, like that of a nail in a piece of wood: that of the teeth, for instance, in their sockets.

**GONAGRA** ( $\gamma\delta\nu\nu$ , the knee, ἄγρα, seizure). Gout in the knee. The term *genugra* is sometimes found, but it is barbarous.

**GONIOMETER** ( $\gamma\omega\nu\iota\alpha$ , an angle, μετρέω, to measure). An instrument for measuring angles, particularly those of crystals.

**GONORRHŒA** ( $\gamma\omicron\nu\eta$ , semen, ῥέω, to flow). Literally, an involuntary discharge of the semen; but always understood as a discharge of purulent infectious matter from the urethra, the vagina, &c. In English, the disease is called a *clap*, from the old French word *clapises*, (public shops, kept and inhabited by prostitutes); in German, a *tripper*, from dripping; and, in French a *chaudepisse*, from the heat and scalding in micturition.

**GONYALGIA** ( $\gamma\delta\nu\nu$ , the knee, ἄλγος, pain). *Gonalgia*. Pain in the knee; gout in the knee

**GORDIUS.** The *Seta equina*, or horse-hair worm of the old writers. It is supposed to occasion—

1. *Intestinal disease*, occurring among the peasantry of Lapland from drinking water impregnated with this worm; and—

2. *Cuticular disease*, when it is lodged under the skin, constituting the *morbus pilaris* of Horst, and the *malis à crinonibus* of Sauvages, &c.

**GORGET.** An instrument used in lithotomy, for cutting the prostate gland and neck of the bladder.

**GOSSYPIUM HERBACEUM.** Com-



mon Cotton; a Malvaceous plant, yielding the *cotton* of commerce. This substance consists of tubular hairs, which arise from the surface of the seed-coat; in its unprepared state it is called *raw cotton*.

**GOULARD'S CERATE.** The *ceratum plumbi* [*sub-acetatis*, Ph. U. S.] The formula for this differs, however, from Goulard's original recipe, in ordering camphor, while the other directs a large quantity of water to be mixed with the cerate.

**GOULARD'S EXTRACT.** A saturated solution of sub-acetate of lead, or the *Liquor Plumbi Sub-acetatis*, [Ph. U. S.] the *Aqua Lithargyri Acetati*, P. L. 1767. olim. *Extract of Saturn*.

**GOUT.** *Podagra*; *arthritis*. A term derived from the French *goutte*, a drop, and this from the Latin *gutta*, also a drop, applied to the disease from the old notion of its being produced by a morbid drop. See *Podagra*.

*Gouty concretions.* Calculi formed in the joints of gouty persons, resembling *chalk-stones* in colour and softness, and consisting of urate of soda.

**GRACILIS.** Slender; a long, thin, flat muscle, otherwise called *rectus internus femoris*, from its straight direction.

**GRAINES D'AVIGNON.** *French berries.* The unripe fruit of the *Rhamnus infectorius*, used for dyeing Maroquin leather yellow, &c.

**GRALLÆ** (*stilts*). Waders; an order of aquatic birds, frequenting marshes, &c., as the heron.

**GRAMINACEÆ** (*gramen*, grass). The Grass tribe of Monocotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants with cylindrical stems; *leaves* alternate, with a split sheath; *flowers* hermaphrodite, sometimes monœcious, glumaceous; *glumes* alternate, unequal; *stamens* hypogynous; *ovarium* simple.

[GRAMME. A measure of weight, equal to 15.4340 grains Troy.]

**GRANA MOLUCCA.** These are said to be the seeds of the *Croton Pavana*, the original Tilly-seed plant.

**GRANA PARADISI.** Grains of Paradise, or Melligetta pepper; the seeds of the *Amomum Grana Paradisi*. The term appears to have been applied to the produce of no fewer than six Scitameneous plants.

**GRANA SECALIS DEGENERATI.** Ergot; a substance found in the place of the grains of rye, of agrostis, &c.; also termed *Spermecia clavus*, *Secale cornutum*, *Spurred rye*, &c. See *Ergota*.

**GRANA TIGLIA.** *Grana Dilla*; *Grana Tilli*. The seeds of the *Croton Tiglium*, from which the croton oil or oil of tiglium is procured.

**GRANATI CORTEX.** *Pomorum Cortex*. [Granati fructus cortex, Ph. U. S.] Pomegranate bark; the produce of the *Punica Granatum*. [The bark of the root (*Granati radice cortex*, Ph. U. S.) has been used as a vermifuge.]

**GRANDINES.** Plural of *grando*, a hail-stone; a term applied by Wesser to tubercles, as they become enlarged.

**GRANULATION** (*granum*, a grain). A process by which minute grain-like fleshy bodies are formed on the surface of wounds or ulcers during their healing. In *Chemistry*, the term denotes a process for the mechanical division of metals and of phosphorus.

**GRAPHITE** (*γράφω*, to write; so termed from its use in the manufacture of pencils). Plumbago, or black lead; a carburet of iron.

**GRASS OIL OF NAMUR.** A volatile oil procured, according to Royle, from the *Andropogon Calamus aromaticus*. It is sometimes called *oil of spikenard*, though incorrectly, this substance being procured from the *Nardostachys Jatamansi*.

**GRATIOLA OFFICINALIS.** Hedge Hyssop; a plant of the order *Scrophulariaceæ*, formerly called *Gratia Dei*, on account of its remedial powers. It has been said to be the basis of the *eau medicinale*.

**GRAVE'DO** (*gravis*, heavy). A catarrh, or cold, with a sense of heaviness in the head.

**GRAVEL.** Crystalline sediments deposited in the bladder from the urine. When these sediments are *amorphous* and pulverulent, they are—

1. Red, lateritious, or pink, and consist chiefly of lithate of ammonia; or
2. White, consisting of mixed lithic and phosphatic sediments, with an iridescent pellicle.

When *crystallized*, they constitute—

1. The *red gravel*, consisting of crystals of uric or lithic acid; or
2. The *white gravel*, generally consisting of the triple phosphate of magnesia and ammonia, and existing in the form of perfectly white and shining crystals.

**GRAVITY** (*gravitas*, heaviness). The tendency of all bodies towards the centre of the earth; the unknown cause of this phenomenon is called *gravitation*. Gravity differs from Attraction, in being a species of the latter; e. g. we speak of





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the pharynx to the superior orifice of the stomach.

**GUM.** A common proximate principle of vegetables; the primary form of vegetable textures.

**GUM-BOIL.** *Parulis.* Inflammation, abscess, or boil of the gums.

**GUM JUNIPER.** A concrete resin which exudes in white tears from the *Juniperus Communis*. It has been called *sandarach*, and, hence, confounded with the *σανδαράκη* of Aristotle, which was a sulphuret of arsenic. Reduced to powder it is called *pounce*, which prevents ink from sinking into paper, from which the exterior coating of size has been scraped away.

**GUM RASH.** *Red gum.* A genus of cutaneous diseases. See *Strophulus*.

**GUM-RESINS.** The concrete juices of certain plants, consisting of resin, essential oil, gum, and extractive vegetable matter, as aloes, ammoniac, assa-fœtida, euphorbium, scammony, &c.

**GUMMA.** A soft tumour, so named from the resemblance of its contents to gum.

**GUMMI RUBRUM ASTRINGENS.** An astringent substance, called *butea gum*,—an exudation from the *Butea frondosa*. Its Hindu name is *kueni* or *kuenee*, from which probably our term *kino* is derived.

1. *Gummi Arabicum seu Turcicum.* Gum Arabic; the produce of the *Acacia vera*, and other species, especially *A. Arabica*. The white pieces constitute the *gummi electum* of the druggists; on the Continent they are called *gum Turic*, from *Tor*, a seaport in Arabia, near the isthmus of Suez. The red pieces are sometimes called *gum Gedda*, from the name of another port.

2. *Gummi guttæ.* A term applied to gamboge, owing to its issuing *guttatim*, or by drops, from the broken leaves or branchlets of the gamboge tree.

3. *Gummi nostras.* Cherry-tree gum; an exudation from the stem of the *Cerasus avium*. This, and the *gummi pruni*, or plum-tree gum, produced by the *Prunus domestica*, may be substituted in medicine for tragacanth gum. They contain two gummy principles, viz. *arabin*, and *prunin* or *cerasin*.

**GUMS.** *Gingivæ.* The red substance which covers the alveolar processes of the jaws, and embraces the necks of the teeth.

**GUNJAH.** The dried plant of the *Cannabis Indica*, after it has flowered, and still retaining the resin; used in Calcutta for smoking.

**GUNPOWDER.** A mixture of five parts of nitre, one of sulphur, and one of charcoal, finely powdered, and very accurately blended. The grains are smoothed by friction, and are then said to be glazed.

**GUSTATORY** (*gusto*, to taste). A name of the lingual nerve—a branch of the inferior maxillary. See *Nerves*.

**GUT.** A substance made by pulling a silkworm, when ready to spin its cocoon, in two, extending the silk as far as it will go, and hanging it up to dry.

**GUTHRIE'S MUSCLE.** A name given to the transverse portion of the *compressor urethræ* muscle. The perpendicular or pubic portion is termed Wilson's muscle.

**GUTTA** (a drop). Pl. *guttæ*, drops. A term applied to a measure in prescriptions, abridged *gt.*, pl. *gtt.*, which should be equal to the minim. [See *Quantity*.] Also to certain affections and preparations.

1. *Gutta opaca.* Cataract, or opacity of the crystalline lens, of its capsule, or of the Morgagnian fluid, separately or conjointly.

2. *Gutta serena.* Drop serene; so named from the idea of an effused fluid at or behind the pupil. A term said to have been first applied by Actuarius to amaurosis.

3. *Gutta rosacea.* Rosy drop, or carbuncled face; a species of *acne*.

4. *Gutta anodyna.* Anodyne drop. A solution of acetate of morphia.

5. *Gutta nigra.* Black drop; Lancashire drop. See *Black Drop*.

6. *Guttæ vitæ.* Drops of life; a nostrum consisting of spirituous stimulants.

**GUTTIFERÆ** (*gutta*, a drop, *fero*, to bear). The Mangosteen tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs, occasionally parasitical, yielding resinous juice; *leaves* entire, opposite; *flowers* polypetalous; *stamens* hypogynous; *carpella* concrete; *ovarium* of several cells.

**GUTTUR.** The throat; also, classically, the windpipe. *Gula* is the gullet, whereby the food passes into the stomach; and *fauz* the gullet-pipe, or space between the gula and the guttur, or the superior part of the gula, nearest the chin, but interior, where the mouth grows narrower.

**GYMNASTICS** (*γυμνάζω*, to exercise naked). Exercises systematically adapted to develope and preserve the physical powers.

**GYMNOSPERMÆ** (*γυμνός*, naked, *σπέρμα*, seed). Plants which have their



seeds destitute of a pericarp, as opposed to the *Angiospermæ*.

[Hence *Gymnospermous*, having the seeds apparently naked.]

GYNE (*γυνή*). A woman. In the following compounds, the term relates to the female apparatus, or the pistil, of plants:—

1. *Gyneceum*. A term applied by Röper to the entire female system of plants, more commonly called the *pistil*. See *Androceum*.

2. *Gyn-andria* (*ἀνδρ.* a man). The twentieth class of the Linnean system of plants, in which the stamens are situated upon the style, above the ovarium.

3. *Gyno-base* (*βάσις*, a base). This term is applied to the receptacle, when

it is dilated, and supports a row of carpels, which have an oblique inclination towards the axis of the flower, as in the *Labiatae*, the *Boraginaceæ*, &c.

4. *Gyno-phore* (*φέρω*, to bear). A term applied to the stalk upon which the ovarium is sometimes seated, instead of being sessile, as in *Passiflora*. It is also called *thecaphore*.

GYPSUM (*γύψος*, chalk; from *γῆ*, earth, and *ἔφω*, to bake). Sulphate of lime. When highly burnt, it falls into powder, constituting *plaster of Paris*.

GYRI (pl. *gyrus*, a circuit). The spiral cavities of the internal ear. Also, the convolutions of the brain.

*Gyrate*. Curved in from apex to base. Synonymous with *circinate*.

## H

HÆMA, HÆMATOS (*αἷμα, αἷματος*). Blood. The circulating fluid of animals.

1. *Hæma-celi-nosis* (*κῆλις*, a spot, *νόσος*, a disease). Blood-spot disease; the name given by Rayer to *Purpura*.

[2. *Hæma-dynamometer* (*δύναμις*, power, *μετρον*, a measure). An instrument for measuring the force with which the blood is propelled in the blood-vessels, invented by M. Poiseuille.]

3. *Hæm-agogues* (*ἄγω*, to expel). Expellers of blood; medicines which promote the catamenial and hæmorrhoidal discharges.

4. *Hæma-lopia* (*ὤψ*, the eye). *Hæmalops*. An effusion of blood in the globe of the eye; bloodshot eye.

5. *Hæm-anthus* (*ἄνθος*, a flower). The Blood-flower, a plant of the natural order *Amaryllideæ*; the Hottentots are said to dip their arrow-heads in the juice of its bulbs, on account of its poisonous properties.

6. *Hæmat-em'esis* (*ἐμέω*, to vomit). *Vomitus cruentus*. A vomiting of blood; hæmorrhage from the stomach.

7. *Hæmatin*. The name given by Chevreul to the colouring matter of the *Hæmatoxylon Campechianum*, or logwood.

8. *Hæmatite*. Blood-stone, a peroxide of iron, so named from its property of stopping hæmorrhages; or from its colour. The *red* hæmatite is an anhydrous, the *brown* a hydrated, peroxide.

9. *Hæmato-cele* (*κῆλη*, a tumour). A collection of blood in the tunica vaginalis. If serous fluid occupy the place of blood, the case is that of *hydrocele*.

10. *Hæmato'des* (*αἱματώδης*). Bloody; as applied to a fungous or fleshy excrescence. The termination in *-odes* (*ώδης*) sometimes expresses a *fulness*, as in the present case.

11. *Hæmato-logy* (*λόγος*, an account). The history of the blood.

12. *Hæmato'ma*. A blood-like tumour, sometimes occurring in the brain.

13. *Hæmatosin*. A characteristic constituent of the blood, derived from the globules.

14. *Hæmato'sis*. Sanguification, or the formation of the blood.

15. *Hæmatoxyli lignum* (*ξύλον*, wood). Logwood; the wood of the *Hæmatoxylon Campechianum*, a Leguminous plant of Campeachy. Its colouring matter is called *hæmatoxylin*, and by Chevreul *hæmatin*.

16. *Hæmo-lu'ria* (*οὐρέω*, to void urine). *Sanguis in urinâ*. Bloody urine; the passing of blood in the urine.

17. *Hæmo-ptysis* (*πτύσις*, spitting, from *πτύω*, to spit). *Hæmo-ptoe*. The spitting of blood; expectoration of blood. It has been called *pneumo-rrhagia*.

18. *Hæmo-rrhage* (*ρήγνυμι*, to break forth). A rupture of a blood-vessel; a bursting forth of blood; loss of blood.

19. *Hæmo-rrhæa petechialis* (*ρέω*, to flow). A term applied by Dr. Adair to the chronic form of purpura. It has also been designated as *Petechiæ sine febre*; *land-scurvy*, &c.

20. *Hæmo-rrhoidal* (*ρέω*, to flow). A term applied to a branch of the sciatic nerve; and to arteries of the rectum,



because they often bleed; these are termed the *superior*, *middle*, and *inferior*, &c. &c.

21. *Hæm-ophthalmos* (οφθαλμός, the eye). An effusion of blood into the chambers of the eye.

22. *Hæmo-rrhoïds* (ῥέω, to flow). Literally, a hæmorrhage, and originally used in this sense in general; but now restricted to the *piles*. These are termed *open*, when they discharge blood; and *blind*, when there is no discharge.

23. *Hæmo-stasia* (ἵστημι, to stand). Stagnation of blood. Hence

24. *Hæmo-statica* (ἵστημι, to stand). Styptics. Medicines which stop hæmorrhages.

25. *Hæmo-thorax*. An effusion of blood into the cavity of the pleura, from a wound, a contusion of the chest, certain diseases, &c.

26. *Hæmo-spastic system*. A new system of medicine, introduced by Dr. Junod of Paris, consisting in the employment of a pneumatic apparatus of peculiar construction, in which the arm or leg is so placed as to attract the blood to the extremities, without diminishing the mass of this liquid.

27. *Hæmo-trophy* (τροφή, nourishment). An excess of sanguineous nutriment, as distinguished from hypertrophy, and hyperæmia. See *Anæmotrophy*.

[HAIL. See *Rain*.]

**HAIR**. Each hair consists of a *bulb*, situated under the skin, and a *trunk*, which perforates the skin and cuticle, and is enveloped in a peculiar sheath. The colour of the hair—*black*, *red*, *auburn*, and *white*—depends on that of the oil which enters into its composition.

**HAIL LICHEN**. The *Lichen pilaris*; a variety of lichenous rash, in which the pimples are limited to the roots of the hair, and desquamate after ten days.

**HALITUS** (*halo*, to breathe). An aqueous vapour, or gas, for inhalation.

*Halitus of the blood*. The vapour which arises from the blood when newly drawn from the body. Plenck termed it *gas animale sanguinis*.

**HALLEX** (ἄλλομαι, to leap, quod super proximum digitum scandat). *Hallus*. The great toe.

**HALLUCINATION** (*hallucinor*, to mistake). Depraved or erroneous imagination. The term has been used as synonymous with *phantasm*, from which it should, however, be distinguished, the phenomena of hallucination having been chiefly observed in the insane. See *Phantasm*.

**HALO** (ἄλωσ, an area). Areola; the circle or ring surrounding the nipple.

**HALO SIGNATUS**. The name given by Sir C. Bell to the impression of the ciliary processes on the anterior surface of the vitreous humour, &c., from its consisting of a circle of radiations, called by Haller, *striæ retinæ subjectæ ligamento ciliari*. By Winslow these marks are called *sulci ciliares*; by Zinn, *corona ciliaris*.

**HALOGENE** (ἄλς, salt, γεννάω, to produce). A term employed by Berzelius to denote bodies which form salts with metals, as chlorine, bromine, iodine, fluorine, and cyanogen. The salts thus produced are called *haloïds*.

**HALOID SALTS** (ἄλς, the sea, sea-salts, εἶδος, likeness). Salt-like compounds, consisting of a metal on the one hand, and of chlorine, iodine, and the radicals of the hydracids in general, excepting sulphur, on the other. Besides the simple haloïd salts, Berzelius distinguishes the three following combinations:—

1. *Hydro-haloïd salts*, or combinations of a simple haloïd salt and the hydracid of its radical.

2. *Oxy-haloïd salts*, or combinations of a metallic oxide with a haloïd salt of the same metal.

3. *Double haloïd salts*, consisting—

1. Of two simple haloïd salts, which contain different metals, but the same non-metallic ingredient.

2. Of two haloïd salts, consisting of the same metal, but in which the other element is different.

3. Of two simple haloïd salts, of which both elements are entirely different.

[**HAMAMELIS VIRGINICA**. Witch-Hazel. An indigenous shrub, of the family *Berberideæ*, the bark of which is astringent and bitter, and has been used in the shape of a poultice or a decoction, and has been employed as a wash, in painful tumours and hæmorrhoids, ophthalmia, &c. The leaves are said to possess similar properties, and a decoction of them has been given in bowel complaints and hæmorrhages.]

**HAMULARIA LYMPHATICA**. A new species of worm discovered by Treutler, a German Physician, in 1789, in the bronchial glands of a phthisical subject.

**HAMULUS COCHLEÆ**. Literally, the small hook of the cochlea; a kind of hook, by which the *lamina spiralis* terminates upon the axis, towards the mid-





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[HECTOGRAMME. A French measure of weight, equal to 3 oz. 1 dr. 43·4 grains Troy.]

HEDEOMA PULEGIOIDES. A Labiate plant of North America, highly reputed as an emmenagogue, and called *pennyroyal*.

[HEDERA HELIX. Ivy. An European plant, of the family *Caprifoliæ*; the fresh leaves are used externally for dressing issues, and a decoction of them has been recommended in cutaneous affections.

[*Hederin*. A peculiar alkaline principle, obtained by Vandamme and Chevalier from ivy seeds, and which is said to be closely allied to quinia in febrifuge properties.]

[HELENIN. A white concrete substance, obtained from *Inula*, intermediate in its properties between the essential oils and camphor.]

[HELENIUM AUTUMNALE. Sneezewort. An indigenous, perennial herbaceous plant, the dried leaves and flowers of which have been used as an errhine.]

HELIOSTAT (*ἥλιος*, the sun, *ἵστημι*, to stand). An instrument by which the sunbeam can be steadily directed to one spot during the whole of its diurnal period.

HELIOTROPIUM (*ἥλιος*, the sun, *τρέπω*, to turn). The Blood-stone, so called from the blood-red specks occasionally appearing on its green surface, and formerly used to stop a bleeding from the nose.

HELIX (*ἔλιξ*, from *ἐλίσσω*, to turn about). A coil; a spiral, or winding line. This term denotes,—

1. The outer bar or margin of the external ear. Hence, *helicis major* and *helicis minor*, two muscles of the helix.

2. The name of a coil of wire, used in magneto-galvanic experiments.

3. A testaceous animal, inhabiting a spiral shell, as the snail, &c. The *helix pomatia* is the Great or Vineyard Snail; a popular remedy for emaciation, with hectic fever and phthisis.

HELLEBORUS (*ἑλλέβορος*, qu. *ἔλειν*, to seize, *βορᾶ*, in eating). Hellebore; a poisonous genus of Ranunculaceous plants.

1. *Helleborus fœtidus*. Fœtid Hellebore, or Bear's-foot; a plant retained in the list of *Materia Medica*, but rarely used. Its leaves have been strongly recommended as a vermifuge against the *ascaris lumbricoïdes*.

2. *Helleborus niger*. Black Hellebore,

or Christmas rose; a plant reputed in classic writers as a remedy for mania, and hence recommended by Horace to the poets of his day. See *Melampodium*.

3. *Helleborus orientalis*. The root of this species was formerly much extolled in mania, epilepsy, and dropsy; it is still used in the Levant, and is called *zoptême* by the Turks, and *σκαρφή* by the Greeks.

4. The term *Hellebore* has been applied to the *Veratrum album*, probably from its similar properties. Yet the former is an exogenous, the latter an endogenous plant.

HELMINS (*ἑλμινς*, *ἑλμινθος*). *Vermis*. The Greek term for a worm.

1. *Helminthagogues* (*ἄγω*, to expel). Anthelmintics; remedies against worms.

2. *Helminthiasis*. A disease peculiar to some countries, in which worms, or their larvæ, are bred under the skin, &c.

3. *Helmintho-corton* (*χόρτος*, food?). Corsican Moss; a species of *Gigartina*, supposed to be particularly efficacious against the *ascaris lumbricoïdes*.

HELO'DES (*ἑλος*, a marsh). A term applied to fevers produced by marsh miasma.

HE'LOS (*ἥλος*, *clavus*, a nail). A name given to the tumour formed by prolapsus or proclivencia iridis. See *Myocephalon*.

HEMERALOPIA (*ἡμερα*, the day, *ἄλαος*, blind, *ὤψ*, the eye). Diurna cæcitude, or *day-blindness*. This term is used by Hippocrates (by omission of the *ἀλαός*?) to denote *night-blindness*—*caligo tenebrarum*; *dysopia tenebrarum*. Sauvages terms it *amblyopia crepuscularis*. See *Nyctalopia*.

HEMI- (*ἡμιους*). The Greek prefix for *half*, corresponding with the Latin *semi*.

1. *Hemi-crania* (*κράνιον*, the head). A pain which affects only one side of the head. See *Megrim*.

2. *Hemi-opia* (*ὤψ*, the eye). *Visus dimidiatus*. A defect of vision, in which only half of the object is seen.

3. *Hemi-plegia* (*πλήσσω*, to strike). Paralysis of one side of the body.

4. *Hemi-ptera* (*πτέρον*, a wing). Insects which have one half of their wings thick and coriaceous, and the other half membranous, as the bug, tick, &c.

5. *Hemi-spheres* (*σφαῖρα*, a sphere). The two parts which constitute the upper surface of the cerebrum. They are separated by the *falx cerebri*.

HEMIDESMUS INDICUS. An *Asclepiadaceous* plant, the root of which is used in India under the name of *country sarsaparilla*. It has been called *Indian*



or scented *sarsaparilla*, *nannari*, or the root of *smilax aspera*.

**HEMINA.** A Roman measure of capacity, consisting of half a sextarius, or three quarters of a pint.

**HEMP.** A powerful stimulating narcotic, much employed in some countries as an intoxicating drug. See *Cannabis*.

**HEMP-SEED.** The name of some varieties of the *mulberry calculus*, which are remarkably smooth and pale-coloured, resembling hemp-seed.

**HENBANE.** A powerfully-narcotic plant, said to be poisonous to the domestic fowl. The botanical name suggests a different etymology. See *Hyoscyamus*.

**HEN-BLINDNESS.** A name sometimes given to *nyctalopia*, or night-blindness, from a natural defect in hens, in consequence of which they cannot see to pick up small grains in the dusk of the evening, and so employ this time in going to roost.

**HENNE'.** A substance procured in Egypt, from the *Lawsonia inermis*, with which the women stain their fingers and feet; it is also used for dyeing skins and maroquins of a reddish yellow.

**HEPAR** (ἥπαρ, ἥπατος). The liver; the organ which secretes the bile.

1. *Hepat-algia* (ἄλγος, pain). Pain in the liver. Swelling of the liver is termed *hepatalgia infarcta*, liver disease, enlarged liver, &c.

2. *Hepatic*. A term applied to any part belonging to the liver.

3. *Hepatic flux*. Bilious flux; the name given in the East to a variety of dysentery, in which there is a frequent flow of bilious fluid from the rectum.

4. *Hepat-itis*. Inflammation of the liver. The term is used by Galen in the present sense, but it is more usually employed adjectively, with the sense of *hepatic*. The Latin word *hepatitis* is only used, according to Pliny, as "gemmæ nomen a figurâ jocinoris." *Forbes*.

5. *Hepato-rrhæa* (ῥέω, to flow). Literally, a liver-flow; a morbid flow of bile.

6. *Hepaticization*. Carnification. A change induced in the lungs by inflammation, in which it loses its vesicular and crepitating character, and resembles the liver in firmness and weight, sinking in water. It is divided into the *red*, and into the *gray*, or purulent infiltration. Compare *Spleenization*.

7. *Hepato-cele* (κῆλη, a tumour). *Hepato hernia*; hernia of the liver.

8. *Hepato-gastric*. A name of the smaller omentum, which passes from the liver to the stomach.

9. *Hepato-phyma* (φῶμα, a suppurating tumour). A suppurative swelling of the liver.

**HEPAR ANTIMONII.** Liver of Antimony; an oxy-sulphuret. The term *hepar* was formerly applied to the combinations of sulphur with alkalies, from their *liver-like* appearance. Hence we have also,—

1. *Hepar calcis*. A crude bisulphuret of calcium, recommended as an external application to *crusta lactea*.

2. *Hepar sulphuris*. Liver of sulphur; the old pharmaceutic name of a liver-brown sulphuret of potash.

3. *Hepar sulphuris volatilis*. Volatile liver of sulphur. This is also termed Boyle's or Beguin's Fuming Spirit; sulphuretum ammoniæ; sulphuretted hydroguret of ammonia, or the hydro-sulphuret of ammonia.

4. *Hepatic air*. Another name for sulphuretted hydrogen gas.

5. *Hepatic cinnabar*. A dark-coloured, steel-gray variety of cinnabar.

6. *Hepatic pyrites*. Hepatic sulphuret of iron; a variety of prismatic iron pyrites, which becomes brown on exposure to the air.

7. *Hepatite*. A variety of heavy spar, or sulphate of barytes, containing a minute portion of sulphur, and emitting, when heated or rubbed, a fetid sulphurous odour.

8. *Hepatule*. A name given by Kirwan to the *hydrosulphuret* of other writers.

[**HEPATICA AMERICANA.** Liverwort. An indigenous, *Ranunculaceous* plant, supposed to possess diuretic and deobstruent properties. It is but little used.]

**HĒPAT'ICÆ** (ἥπαρ, ἥπατος, the liver). The Liver-wort tribe of Acotyledonous plants. Cellular, *flowerless* plants, consisting of an axis or stem, either leafy or bordered; *reproductive organs* are valved *thecæ* of different kinds.

**HEPTANDRIA** (ἑπτὰ, seven, ἀνὴρ, a man). The seventh class of the Linnæan system, including those plants which have seven stamens.

*Heptandrous*, having seven stamens, of about equal length.

**HEPTAPHARMACUM** (ἑπτὰ, seven, φάρμακον, a medicine). A medicine composed of seven ingredients: these were ceruse, litharge, pitch, wax, colophony, incense, and ox-fat.

[**HERACLEUM LANATUM.** Masterwort. An indigenous, *Umbelliferous* plant, the root of which is somewhat



stimulant and carminative, and has been employed in epilepsy. The dose of the powdered root is from ℥ij. to ℥iij.]

HERB BENNET. The *Geum urbanum*, or Avens; the term is probably contracted from *herba benedicta*.

HERBARIUM (*herba*, an herb). A collection of dried specimens of plants, formerly known by the expressive term *hortus siccus*, or dried garden.

HERCULES BOVII. Gold and mercury dissolved in a distillation of copperas, nitre, and sea-salt; a violently cathartic preparation.

HEREDITARY (*hæres*, an heir). A term applied to diseases supposed to be transmitted from parents to their children.

HERMAPHRODITE (*Ἑρμῆς*, Mercury, *Ἀφροδίτη*, Venus). *Androgynus*. A *lusus naturæ*, in which the organs of generation appear to be a mixture of both sexes. In botany, plants are so called which contain the stamen and pistil in the same flower; all other flowering plants are called *unisexual*.

HERMETIC SEAL (*Ἑρμῆς*, Mercury). The closing of the end of a glass vessel when heated to the melting point. The name is derived from the Egyptian Hermes, supposed to have been the father of Chemistry, which has been called the *Hermetic Art*.

HERMODACTYLUS (*Ἑρμῆς*, Mercury, *δάκτυλος*, a finger). The name by which the ancients designated a plant supposed to be a species of *Colchicum*.

HERNIA (*ἕρνος*, a branch, so called from its protruding forward). The protrusion of one or more of the viscera into a sac, formed of the peritonæum. A hernia is termed *reducible*, when it admits of being replaced in the abdomen; *irreducible*, when it suffers no constriction, yet cannot be put back, owing to adhesions or its large size; and *incarcerated* or *strangulated*, when it not only cannot be reduced, but also suffers constriction. This disease is distinguished with reference to,—

#### I. Its Situation.

1. *Hernia cruralis*. Femoral hernia; or a protrusion under Poupert's ligament. The passage through which the hernia descends is called, by Gimbernat, the *crural*, by Hey, the *femoral ring*; and by Cloquet, the *crural canal*.

2. *Hernia inguinalis*. Bubonocele; or hernia at the groin. It is termed *incomplete* or *oblique*, when it does not protrude through the abdominal ring; and

*complete* or *direct*, when it passes out at that opening.

3. *Hernia inguino-interstitial*. This term is applied by Dr. Goyraud to the form of hernia termed by most authors *incomplete inguinal*, and described by Boyer as *intra-inguinal*. The former term was considered objectionable, because, whatever may be their situation, when the viscera have escaped from the abdomen, the hernia is complete; the latter was also objectionable, because the inguinal canal does not always constitute the limits of the protruded viscera.

4. *Hernia ischiatica*. Hernia occurring at the ischiatic notch.

5. *Hernia perinealis*. Hernia of the perinæum, occurring, in men, between the bladder and rectum; and in women, between the rectum and vagina.

6. *Hernia pudendalis*. Hernia which descends, between the vagina and ramus ischii, into the labium.

7. *Hernia scrotalis*. Oscheocele; hernia enteroscheocele, or oschealis, when omentum or intestine, or both, descend into the scrotum; *epiploscheocele*, when omentum only; *steatocele*, when sebaceous matter descends.

8. *Hernia thyroïdalis*. Hernia of the foramen ovale.

9. *Hernia umbilicalis*. Omphalocele, or exomphalos. Hernia of the bowels at the umbilicus. It is called *pneumatomphalos*, when owing to flatulency.

10. *Hernia vaginalis*. Elythrocele; or hernia occurring within the os externum.

11. *Hernia ventralis*. Hypogastrocele; or hernia occurring at any part of the front of the abdomen, most frequently between the recti muscles.

12. *Hernia carnosæ*. Sarcocoele. A fleshy enlargement of the testis; a tumour seated in the scrotum.

13. *Hernia mesenterica et mesocolica*. Hernia through the lacerated mesentery, or mesocolon.

14. *Hernia phrenica*. Hernia of the diaphragm.

15. *Hernia of the intestines*. Hernia through a loop formed by adhesions, &c.

#### II. Its Contents.

16. *Hernia cerebri*. Fungus cerebri. Encephalocele. Hernia of the brain.

17. *Hernia intestinalis*. Enterocoele; containing intestine only.

18. *Hernia omentalis*. Epiplocele; containing a portion of omentum only. If both intestine and omentum contribute to the formation of the tumour, it is called *entero-epiplocele*.





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corresponds with the French *hoquet*, and the German *schlucken*, and is perhaps meant to imitate the sound it denotes. The Greek λῦγξ or λυγμός, and the Latin *singultus*, which have been applied to this affection, rather denote *sobbing*.

**HIDE-BOUND.** A term descriptive of that state in horses, in which the skin is tightly drawn over the emaciated muscles; also, of a disease in trees, when the bark cleaves too close to the wood.

**HIDROA** (ἰδρῶς, sweat). The term given by Sauvages and Vogel to *eczema*, or heat eruption; the halo, with which the vesicle is surrounded, is popularly called a *heat spot*.

**HIDRO'TICA** (ἰδρῶς, ἰδρῶτος, sweat). Medicines which cause perspiration.

**HI'ERA PICRA** (ἱερὸς, holy, πικρὸς, bitter). Vulgò, *hiccory piccory*. A name which has been long applied in the shops to the Pulvis Aloes cum Canellâ. It was formerly called *hiera logadii*, and made in the form of an electuary with honey.

**HIERONOSOS** (ἱερὸς, sacred, νόσος, disease). *Morbis sacer*. Literally, sacred disease; an ancient term for epilepsy.

**HIGHGATE RESIN.** Fossil Copal; found in the bed of blue clay at Highgate.

**HILUM.** The point of the seed by which it is attached to the placenta. This is the *base* of the seed.

**HILUS LIENIS.** A fissure observed on the internal and concave surface of the spleen, through which the vessels enter and leave the substance of the organ.

**HIP.** The ripe fruit of the *Rosa canina*, or dog-rose; it is chiefly used for making the confection of that name.

**HIPPO-** (ἵππος, a horse). A Greek term, denoting a reference to the *horse*, the sea-horse; or, simply, a large size:—

1. *Hippo-campus* (κάμπτω, to bend). The sea-horse; the name of a small marine animal. Hence the term is applied to two kinds of convolution of the brain,—the *hippocampus minor*, situated in the posterior horn, and the *hippocampus major*, situated in the inferior horn of the ventricles of the brain. See *Cornu Ammonis*.

2. *Hippo-castanum*, or the Horse-chestnut. In this term, and in several others, as *hippo-lappathum*, *hippo-marathrum*, *hippo-selinum*, &c., the prefix is a Grecism, denoting *size*.

3. *Hippo-lithus* (λίθος, a stone). A concretion found in the intestines of horses, composed of ammoniacal phosphate of

magnesia, derived from the husk of the oats on which they feed.

4. *Hippo-manes* (μανία, madness). A humour in mares, said to be merely the mucus of the vagina in season, employed as an aphrodisiac. Anciently an ingredient in philtres.

5. *Hipp-uric acid* (οὔρον, urine). An acid obtained from the urine of the horse, cow, and other graminivorous animals.

6. *Hipp-uris* (οὐρά, a tail). The final division of the spinal marrow, also termed *cauda equina*, or horse's tail, from the division of the nerves which issue from it. Also, a genus of plants, so called from their resemblance to a horse's tail.

**HIPPUS PUPILLÆ.** A peculiar motion of the iris, consisting of a constant fluttering between expansion and contraction. It occurs in amaurosis.

**HIRCINE** (*hircus*, a goat). A substance contained in the fat of the goat and sheep, yielding, by saponification, the *hircic acid*.

**HIRSUTIES** (*hirsutus*, shaggy). Shagginess; superfluous growth of hair.

**HIRU'DO MEDICINALIS.** The medicinal leech; named by the Romans *haurio*, as expressive of its well-known peculiar action.

[**HISPID** (*hispidus*, bristly). Covered with long rigid hairs.]

**HIVES.** The popular name in the north of England, and in some parts of Scotland, for a species of Chicken-pox—the *Varicella globularis* of Willan. See *Croup*.

**HÖFFMANNI LIQUOR ANODYNUS.** Hoffman's Anodyne Solution, or the Spiritus Ætheris Sulphurici Compositus.

**HOG GUM.** A substance yielded by the *Rhus metopium*. Dr. Pereira says he has met with an unsaleable gum, under this name, resembling a sample in his possession of *false tragacanth*, or *gomme de Sassa*.

**HOMBERG'S PHOSPHORUS.** Ignited muriate of lime. See *Phosphorus*.

**HOMBERG'S PYROPHORUS** (πῦρ, fire, φέρω, to bring). A mixture of alum and brown sugar, which takes fire on exposure to the air. A more convenient mixture is made with three parts of lamp-black, four of burnt alum, and eight of carbonate of potash.

**HOMBERG'S SEDATIVE SALT.** A name for boracic acid, which appears, however, to possess no sedative property.

**HOMŒOPATHY** (ὁμοίος, similar, πάθος, disease). The art of curing founded on *resemblances*, introduced by Samuel



Hahnemann. The principle is, that every disease is curable by such medicines as would produce, in a healthy person, symptoms similar to those which characterize the given disease.—“*Similia similibus curentur*,” in opposition to the “*contraria contrariis*,”—or *heteropathy*.

**HOMOGENEOUS** (*ὁμοῦς*, like, *γένος*, kind). This term denotes substances made up of parts possessing the same properties. *Heterogeneous*, on the contrary, denotes that the parts are of different qualities: thus, in minerals, sandstone is a *homogeneous*, and granite a *heterogeneous*, body.

**HOMO-TROPAL** (*ὁμοῦς*, the same, *τροπή*, a turn). Having the same direction as the body to which it belongs, but not being straight; a term applied to the embryo of the seed.

**HONEY.** *Mel.* A vegetable juice, collected from the nectaries of flowers by the *Apis mellifica*, or Honey Bee. With vinegar it forms *oxymel*.

1. *Virgin honey.* Honey wrought by the young bees which have never swarmed, and which runs from the comb without heat or pressure.

2. *Clarified honey.* *Mel despumatum*; honey melted in a water-bath, and cleared from scum.

3. *Acetated honey.* *Mel acetatum*, or the *oxymel simplex*; clarified honey and acetic acid.

4. *Egyptian honey.* *Oxymel æruginis*, or *linimentum æruginis*; clarified honey, with *ærugo* and vinegar.

5. *Honey of borax.* *Mel boracis*; clarified honey, and bruised borax.

6. *Rose honey.* *Mel rosæ*; clarified honey, the petals of the *rosa gallica*, and water.

**HONEY-BAG.** The crop or sucking stomach of the honey-bee, in which it transports the honey from the flower to the hive.

**HONEY-DEW.** A sweetish substance ejected by very small insects, called aphides, upon the leaves of plants, and vulgarly supposed to be caused by a *blight*, or some disease in the plant. There is another kind of *honey-dew*, observed only at particular times, and in certain states of the atmosphere, hanging occasionally in drops from the points of the leaves of plants; its cause is not known.

[**HOOPER'S FEMALE PILLS.** A nostrum which has been extensively used as a purgative and emmenagogue. The following is the formula for its preparation recommended by a committee

of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. *R Aloes Barbadosensis*, ℥viiij.; *Ferri sulph. exsic.* ℥ij., ℥iss., *vel Ferri sulphat. crystal.* ℥iv.; *Extr. hellebori nig.* ℥ij.; *Myrrhæ*, ℥ij.; *Saponis*, ℥ij.; *Canellæ in pulv. tritæ*, ℥j.; *Zingiberis in pulv. trit.* ℥j. Beat them well together into a mass with water, and divide into pills, each containing two and a half grains.]

**HOOPING COUGH.** *Whooping cough.* These are vernacular English terms, derived from the verb *to heap* or *whoop*, signifying to call with a loud voice. The affection is the *tussus convulsiva* of Willis, the *tussis ferina* of Hoffman. See *Per-tussis*.

*Chincough.* According to Johnson, for *kin-cough*, from *kincken*, to cough. Is it a corruption from chine-cough?

**HOPS.** The strobiles of the *Humulus lupulus*, or Hop-plant.

**HORDEI SEMINA.** Pearl barley; the grains of the *Hordeum distichon*, the Common or Long-cared Barley, after the husks have been removed.

1. *Hordeum mundatum.* Scotch, hulled, or pot barley, consisting of the grains deprived of their husk by a mill.

2. *Hordeum perlatum.* Pearl barley; the grains divested of their husk, rounded, and polished. The farina obtained by grinding pearl barley to powder is called *patent barley*.

3. *Hordei decoctum.* Decoction of barley, commonly called barley water.

4. *Hordein.* The principle of barley; a peculiar modification of starch.

**HORDEOLUM** (dim. of *hordeum*, barley). A sty, or small tumour on the eyelids, resembling a barley-corn.

**HORN.** A substance consisting of coagulated albumen and gelatine. It differs from bone in containing only a trace of earth.

**HORN SILVER.** *Luna cornea.* The chloride of silver; the term is derived from its forming a gray semi-transparent mass, which may be cut with a knife, and much resembles horn.

1. *Horn Lead.* *Plumbum corneum*; the chloride of lead, a semi-transparent mass, resembling horn.

2. *Horn Quicksilver.* A natural protochloride of quicksilver; it has a white horn-like appearance.

**HORN POCK.** *Crystalline pock.* A form of Variola, in which the pimples are imperfectly suppurating, ichorous or horny, and semi-transparent.

**HORNLENDE.** *Amphibole.* A silicate of lime and magnesia.

**HORRIPILATIO** (*horreo*, to dread,



*pilus*, the hair). [Horripilation.] A sense of creeping in different parts of the body; a symptom of the approach of fever.

**HORSE-RADISH.** The *Cochlearia Armoracia*. The term *horse*, as an epithet, in this case, is a Grecism, as also in *horse-mint*, &c.; the same may be said of the term *bull*, in *bull-rush*, &c.; these terms are derived from ἵππος and βούς, respectively, which merely denote greatness; *Bu-cephalus*, for Alexander's horse; *Bu-limia*, for voracious appetite; *Bu-phthalmus*, for dropsy of the eye; *Bu-enemia*, for swelled leg, &c. See *Hippo*.

**HORTUS SICCUS** (a dry garden). An emphatic appellation given to a collection of specimens of plants, carefully dried and preserved; a more general term is *herbarium*.

**HOSPITAL GANGRENE.** A combination of humid gangrene with phagedenic ulceration, occurring in crowded hospitals, &c.; also termed phagedena gangrænsa, putrid or malignant ulcer, hospital sore, &c.

**HOURLASS CONTRACTION.** An irregular and transverse contraction of the uterus, in which it assumes the form of an hour-glass.

**HOUSE-LEEK.** The *Sempervivum tectorum*; a plant of the order *Crassulaceæ*, common on roofs and walls.

**HOWARD'S or JEWEL'S HYDRO-SUBLIMATE.** A *patent calomel*, prepared by exposing the salt in the act of sublimation to aqueous vapour, and receiving it in water. It is lighter than common calomel, in the proportion of three to five, and cannot contain any corrosive sublimate.

**HUMBOLDITE.** A mineral, consisting of oxalate of lime, and forming the basis of a species of urinary calculus.

**HUMECTANTIA** (*humecto*, to moisten). Moistening and softening medicines.

**HUMERUS** (ἄμως). The shoulder, consisting of two bones, the scapula and the clavicle.

[*Humeral*. Belonging to the arm.]

**HUMILIS** (humble). A name given to the *rectus inferior*, from the expression of humility or modesty which the action of this muscle imparts.

**HUMORAL PATHOLOGY.** A system in medicine, which attributed all diseases to morbid changes in the *humours* or fluid parts of the body, without assigning any influence to the state of the solids.

**HUMORIG** (*humor*, a humour). A term applied by M. Piorry to a peculiar sound, produced on percussion, by the

stomach, when that organ contains much air and liquid. It resembles the *metallic tinkling* of Laennec.

**HUMOUR** (*humeo*, to be moist, from *humus*, the ground). A humour; an aqueous substance. [A general term for any fluid; but particularly applied to those of the human body, both in their healthy and diseased states.] The *humours of the eye* are, the *Aqueous*, the *Vitreous*, and the *Crystalline*. [See these words.]

**HUMULUS LUPULUS.** The Common Hop; a Dioecious plant, of the order *Urticaceæ*. [See *Hops* and *Lupulin*.]

**HUMUS.** Vegetable mould; woody fibre in a state of decay. The various names of *ulmin*, *humic acid*, *coal of humus*, and *humin*, are applied to modifications of *humus*.

*Humic acid* of chemists. A product of the decomposition of humus by alkalies; it does not exist in the humus of vegetable physiologists.—*Liebig*.

**HYACINTH.** A mineral occurring of various colours, composed principally of the earth called *zirconia*.

**HYALOIDES** (ὑαλος, glass, εἶδος, likeness). The name of the membrane which encloses the vitreous humour of the eye; it consists of numerous *cellules*, communicating with each other.

**HYBERNATION** (*hyberna*, winter-quarters for soldiers; from *hyems*, winter.) A reptile state of the functions, which occurs in some animals in winter, as the bat, hedge-hog, dormouse, hamster, &c. Compare *Diurnation*.

**HYBOSIS** (ὑβῶς, curved). The name given by the Greek writers to the lateral curvature of the spine. It is the *hyboma scoliosis* of Swediaur, and the *rhachybia* of Dr. Good.

**HYBRID** (*hybrida*, from ὑβρις, injuria, sc. illata naturæ). Mongrel; a term applied to plants and animals of a cross breed.

**HYDARTHURUS** (ὑδωρ, water, ἄρθρον, a joint). *Hydarthrosis*. White swelling; dropsy of an articulation, from an accumulation of synovia; generally occurring in the knee-joint; the *spina ventosa* of the Arabian writers.

**HYDATIS** (ὑδατις, a vesicle, from ὑδωρ, water). A hydatid; a pellucid cyst, containing a transparent fluid, developed in a cavity or tissue of the human body, &c.; the term is now used to designate an order of intestinal worms.

1. *Hydatis acephalocystis* (*a*, priv., κεφαλή, the head, κύστις, a bladder). The headless hydatid, or bladder-worm.





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17. *Hydro-chloric acid*. An acid consisting of hydrogen and chlorine, and long known under the names of spirit of salt, marine acid, and muriatic acid. Some modern chemists term it *chlorydric acid*.

18. *Hydro-chloric ether*. An ether which has received the various names of chlorydric, marine, and muriatic ether, and, hypothetically, *chloride of ethule*.

19. *Hydro-cyanic acid*. An acid consisting of hydrogen and cyanogen, and commonly called prussic acid. The hydrocyanic acid of Scheele contains five per cent., by weight, of real acid; that of the pharmacopœia contains about two-fifths of the above weight.

20. *Hydro-cystis* (κύστις, a bladder). An encysted dropsy.

21. *Hydro-dynamics* (δύναμις, power). The mechanics of fluids; or that branch of natural philosophy which investigates the phenomena of equilibrium and motion among fluid bodies, especially such as are heavy and liquid.

22. *Hydro-gen* (γεννάω, to produce). A gas formerly termed inflammable air, phlogiston, or phlogisticated air; its present name refers to its forming water, when oxidated.

23. *Hydrolica*. A term applied by the French to solutions of the active principles of medicinal agents. Those obtained by distillation are called *hydrolats*.

24. *Hydro-mancy* (μαντεία, prophecy). An ancient superstition respecting the *divining* nature of certain springs and fountains; hence, perhaps, arose the discovery of the medicinal virtues of mineral waters.

25. *Hydro-mel* (μέλι, honey). Honey diluted with water; also called mulsum, melicratum, and aqua mulsa. When fermented, it becomes *mead*. Metheglin wine is called *hydromel vinosum*.

26. *Hydro-meter* (μέτρον, a measure). An instrument for measuring the gravity of fluids, particularly that of the urine. When floating in this liquid, it rises in proportion as the density of the liquid increases; it is graduated from 1.000 to 1.060, so as to exhibit at once the specific gravity.

27. *Hydro-me'tra* (μήτρα, the uterus). Hydrops uteri. Dropsy of the uterus.

28. *Hydr-omphalon* (ὀμφαλός, umbilicus). A tumour of the umbilicus containing water.

29. *Hydro-pathy* (πάθος, affection). The Water-cure; a mode of treating diseases by the internal and external use of cold water, &c. The term *hydrotherapeia* would be preferable.

30. *Hydro-pedesis* (πηδάω, to spring forth). A violent breaking out of perspiration.

31. *Hydro-pericardium*. Hydrops pericardii. Dropsy of the pericardium.

32. *Hydro-phane* (φαίνω, to appear). A variety of opal, which becomes transparent when immersed in pure water. It is also called *oculus mundi*.

33. *Hydro-phobia* (φόβος, fear). A dread of water; an affection consisting of spasmodic contractions of the larynx, and a difficulty of drinking. It has been termed *rabies canina*, *rabies*, and *rage*: by the French, *la rage*; *hygro-phobia* (ὕγρως, moist), from the patient being unable to swallow any kind of moisture; *phobodipsia* (φόβος, fear, and δίψα, thirst), because the patient is *thirsty*, yet *fears* to drink; *pheug-ydros* (φεύγω, to avoid, ὕδωρ, water), from the disposition to shun water; *brachyposia*, Hipp. (βραχύς, short, πόσις, the act of drinking), either from the act of drinking *little*, or frequently, at *short* intervals; *canis rabidi morsus* by Avicenna, &c.; *dys-cataposia* (δύς, with difficulty, κατάποσις, swallowing), by Mead; and recently, *entasia lyssa* (λύσσα, canine madness), by Dr. Good. The old writers used the terms *aëro-phobia*, or a dread of air; and *panto-phobia*, or a fear of all things, as expressive of some of the symptoms.

34. *Hydr-ophthalmia* (ὀφθαλμός, the eye). Dropsy of the eye. This affection is also called *hydrophthalmus*; *hydrops oculi*; *buphthalmus*, or ox-eye, denoting the enlargement of the organ.

35. *Hydro-physocèle* (φυσάω, to inflate, κήλη, a tumour). Hernia, complicated with hydrocele; hernia, containing water and gas.

36. *Hydro-pica* (ὕδρωψ, the dropsy). Medicines which relieve or cure dropsy.

37. *Hydro-pleuritis*. Pleuritis, acute or chronic, attended with effusion.

38. *Hydro-pneumo-sarca* (πνεῦμα, air, σὰρξ, flesh). A tumour containing air, water, and a flesh-like substance.

39. *Hydro-pneumo-thorax*. The complication of pneumothorax with liquid effusion.

40. *Hydrop-oides* (εἶδος, likeness). A term formerly applied to watery excrements.

41. *Hydro-pyretus* (πυρετός, fever). Sudor Anglicus. Sweating fever, or sickness.

42. *Hydro-rachitis* (ράχις, the spine). Dropsy of the spine. It is congenital, and is then termed *spina bifida*; or it is analogous to hydroencephalus.



43. *Hydro-saccharum* (saccharum, sugar). A drink made of sugar and water.

44. *Hydro-sarca* (σὰρξ, flesh). Anasarca. Dropsy of the cellular membrane.

45. *Hydro-sarco-cele* (σὰρξ, flesh, κήλη, a tumour). Sarcocoele, attended with dropsy of the tunica vaginalis.

46. *Hydro-thorax* (θώραξ, the chest). Hydrops pectoris. Dropsy of the chest; water on the chest.

47. *Hydro-sulphurets*. Compounds of sulphuretted hydrogen with the salifiable bases. See *Kermes mineral*.

48. *Hydro-thionic* (θειον, sulphur). A name given by some of the German chemists to sulphuretted hydrogen, or the hydro-sulphuric acid of M. Gay-Lussac.

49. *Hydr-urets*. Compounds of hydrogen with metals.

**HYDROPS** (ὕδρωψ, from, ὕδωρ, water, and ὠψ, the aspect or appearance). Dropsy; a morbid accumulation of water in a cavity, or the cellular substance.

**HYGIENE** (ὕγιαίνω, to be well). Health; the preservation of health; that part of medicine which regards the preservation of health.

*Hygienic agents*. Under this term are included six things essential to health; viz. air, aliment, exercise, excretions, sleep, and affections of the mind. The ancients applied to them the absurd name of *non-naturals*.

**HYGRO-** (ὕγρως, moist). This prefix denotes the presence of *moisture*.

1. *Hygroma*. A humoral tumour. This term is applied to dropsy of the bursæ mucosæ, when the fluid is serous, colourless and limpid; when it is of a reddish colour, thick, and viscous, the affection is called *ganglion*. The term also denotes hygromatous tumour of the brain, or cysts containing a serous or albuminous fluid.

2. *Hygro-meter* (μέτρον, a measure). An instrument for ascertaining the degree of moisture of the atmosphere. Whatever swells by moisture and shrinks by dryness, may be employed for this purpose.

3. *Hygro-metric water*. That portion of humidity which gases yield to deliquescent salts.

**HYMEN** (ὕμην, a membrane). A crescentiform fold of the membrane situated at the entrance of the virgin vagina. The remains of the hymen, when ruptured, are termed *carunculæ myrtiformes*.

**HYMENÆA COURBARIL** (*Hymenæa*, corrupted from *animé*, or *animæa*?) The systematic name of the tree which affords the resin *animé*, frequently used as a substitute for gum guaiacum.

**HYMENOPTERA** (ὕμην, membrane, πτέρον, a wing). Insects which have membranous wings, as the wasp.

**HYO-** (the Greek letter υ). Names compounded with this word belong to muscles attached to the os hyoides: e. g. the *hyo-glossus*, attached to the os hyoides, and to the tongue; the *hyo-pharyngeus*, a synonym of the constrictor medius; the *hyo-thyroideus*, &c.

**HYOI'DES** (the Greek letter υ, and εἶδος, likeness). A bone situated between the root of the tongue and the larynx.

**HYOSCY'AMUS NIGER** (ὕς, ὕδς, a hog, κύαμος, a bean; so named because hogs eat it, or because it is hairy, like swine). *Faba suilla*. Henbane; an indigenous plant of the order *Solanaceæ*, and a powerful narcotic.

*Hyosciamia*. A vegetable alkali procured from the seeds and herbage of the *Hyoscyamus niger*.

**HYPER** (ὕπερ, over or above). This prefix is a Greek preposition, denoting *excess*. In chemistry, it is applied to acids which contain more oxygen than those to which the word *per* is prefixed.

1. *Hyper-acusis* (ἀκούω, to hear). *Hyperacusis*. The name given by M. Itard to a morbidly acute sense of hearing. In a case given by Dr. Good, this affection singularly sympathized with the sense of sight: the patient said, "A loud sound affects my eyes, and a strong light my ears."

2. *Hyper-æsthesis* (αἴσθησις, the faculty of sensation). Excessive sensibility.

3. *Hyper-catharsis* (καθαίρω, to purge). Super-purgation; excessive purgation.

4. *Hyper-chloric acid*. An acid containing a greater proportion of oxygen than the chloric acid.

5. *Hyper-crisis* (κρίνω, to decide). A crisis of unusual severity.

6. *Hyper-hæmia* (αἷμα, blood). An excessive fulness of blood.

7. *Hyper-hydrosis* (ἰδρῶς, sweat). A term applied by Swediaur to morbidly profuse perspiration. It is also called *ephidrosis*.

8. *Hyper-ostosis* (ὀστέον, a bone). Enlargement of a bone, or of its membranous covering.

9. *Hyper-oxymuriatic acid*. The former name of chloric acid. Its compounds are *hyper-oxymuriates*, or neutral salts, now called chlorates. See *Chlorine*.

10. *Hyper-trophy* (τροφή, nutrition). An excess of nutrition, as applied to tissues and organs; it is indicated by increase of size, and sometimes of the consistence, of the organic texture. Hypertrophy of



the white substance of the liver is described by Baillie as the *common tubercle* of the liver, and is known in this country by the name of the *drunkard's liver*. The *accidental erectile tissue* is, in some cases, composed of capillary vessels in a state of hypertrophy.

[HYPERICUM PERFORATUM. St. John's Wort. A perennial shrub, common to Europe and the United States. It formerly enjoyed high repute as a medicine, and particularly as a vulnerary. It was employed for a very large number of diseases, but at present it has fallen into disuse, except in domestic practice.]

HYPNOBATES (ὑπνος, sleep, βαίνω, to walk). A sleep-walker; one who walks in his sleep. See *Somnambulism*.

HYPNOTICS (ὑπνος, sleep). Medicines which cause sleep. They are also termed narcotics, anodynes, and soporifics.

HYPPO- (ὑπό). A Greek preposition signifying *under*, or *deficiency*. In chemistry, it denotes a smaller quantity of acid than is found in the compounds to which it is prefixed, as in *hypo-sulphuric acid*, &c.

1. *Hyp-æmia* (αἷμα, blood). Deficiency of blood; a term synonymous with *anæmia*, and denoting a disease analogous to etiolation in plants.

2. *Hypo-chlorous acid*. A bleaching compound of chlorine and oxygen.

3. *Hypo-chondriasis*. Hyp; vapours; low spirits; blue devils; dyspepsia, with a sense of uneasiness in the hypochondria, &c., and great lowness of spirits. It has been designated, by Dr. Cheyne the *English malaÿ*; and has been also termed "morbus literatorum."

4. *Hypo-chondrium* (χόνδρος, cartilage). The hypochondriac, or upper lateral region of the abdomen, under the cartilages of the false ribs.

5. *Hypo-chyma* (χύω, to pour out). Hypochysis; apochysis. These are terms applied by the Greeks to cataract, which seems to have been first introduced by the Arabian writers; though the more common name among them was *gutta obscura*. It is the *suffusio* of the Latins.

*Hypocrateriform* (κρατηρ, a cup, forma, likeness). Salver-shaped; as applied to a calyx or corolla, of which the tube is long and slender, and the limb flat.

6. *Hypo-gastrium* (γαστήρ, the belly). The lower anterior region of the abdomen, or super-pubic.

[*Hypogeous* (γη, the earth). Subterranean. Applied, in botany, to those

cotyledons which remain beneath the earth; opposed to *epigeous*.]

7. *Hypo-glossal* (γλῶσσα, the tongue). The name of the *lingualis*, or ninth pair of nerves, situated beneath the tongue.

8. *Hypo-gala* (γάλα, milk), *Hypo-hæma* (αἷμα, blood), *Hypo-lymphæ* (lymph), *Hypo-pyium*, (πῦον, pus), } Effusion of a milky sanguineous, lymph, or purulent, fluid into the chamber of the aqueous humour of the eye.—*Empyesis oculi* (ἐν, in, πῦον, pus) denotes an effusion of pus behind, as well as in front of, the iris.

9. *Hypo-gynous* (γυνή, a woman). That condition of the stamens of a plant in which they contract no adhesion to the sides of the calyx, as in *ranunculus*.

10. *Hypo-nitrous acid*. The name given by Turner to nitrous acid, or the azotous of Thenard; while *hypo-nitric acid* is another name for the nitrous acid of Turner, or the peroxide of nitrogen.

11. *Hypo-physis cerebri*. The pituitary gland or body, in which the infundibulum ends.

12. *Hypo-picrotoxic acid*. An acid found in the seed-coat of the *cocculus indicus*.

13. *Hypo-spadias* (σπάω, to draw). That malformation of the penis, when the urethra opens in the under surface. See *Epispadias*.

14. *Hypo-sarca* (σάρξ, σαρκός, flesh). A term used by Celsus, &c., for *anasarca*; the *aqua subter cutem* of Cælius Aurelianus.

15. *Hypo-stasis* (στάω, to stand). A sediment, as that of the urine.

16. *Hypo-thenar* (θέναρ, the palm of the hand). One of the muscles contracting the thumb.

17. *Hypo-thesis* (ὑποτίθημι, to put under). A system, or doctrine, founded on a theory. *Induction*, on the contrary, is the collecting together numerous facts, and drawing conclusions from a general examination of the whole.

[HYSSOPUS OFFICINALIS. A Labiate plant, a native of Europe. The flowering leaves and summits have a warm, bitter taste, and aromatic odour; and a decoction of them has been used as an expectorant in chronic catarrh; particularly in aged persons.]

HYS'TERA (ὑστέρα). The Greek term for the uterus, matrix, or womb. This term is the feminine of ὑστερος, inferior, the womb being the lowest of the viscera.

1. *Hyster-algia* (ἄλγος, pain). Dolor uteri. Pain situated in the uterus.





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κρᾶσις, composition). Individual peculiarities, hereditary or induced. Thus, there are persons in whom opium does not induce sleep; others, in whom milk seems to act as a poison; some, who are purged by astringents; others, in whom purgatives appear to produce an astringent effect.

**IDIOT** (*ιδιώτης*, an ignorant person, who does not practice an art or profession). A person deprived of sense.

**IDRIALINE**. A substance obtained from a mineral from the quicksilver mines at Idria in Carniola. It consists of carbon and hydrogen.

**IGASURIC ACID**. The name given by Pelletier and Caventou to a peculiar acid, which occurs in combination with strychnia in nux vomica, and the St. Ignatius's bean; but its existence, as different from all other known acids, is doubtful. It is so called from the Malay name by which the natives in India designate the *faba Sancti Ignatii*.

**IGNIS FATUUS**. A luminous appearance or flame, frequently seen in the night in the country, and called *Jack o' lantern*, or *Will with the wisp*. It is probably occasioned by the extrication of phosphorus from rotting leaves and other vegetable matters.

**IGNIS SACER** (sacred fire). *Ignis Sancti Antonii*, or St. Anthony's fire; erysipelas, or the rose; or the febris erysipelatosā of Sydenham.

**IGNIS VOLATICUS**. Literally, flying fire; a term for erysipelas.

**IGNITION** (*ignis*, fire). An effect of caloric, implying an emission of light, from bodies which are much heated, without their suffering any change of composition. Bodies begin to become ignited, or red-hot, at about the 800th degree of Fahrenheit; the highest point of ignition is a perfectly white light.

**IGREUSINE**. That portion of volatile oils which is odoriferous, and is coloured by treating it with nitric acid; it is called *elaiodon* by Herberger.

**I'LEUM** (*εἰλέω*, to turn about). The lower three-fifths of the *small intestine*, so called from their convolutions, or peristaltic motions; they extend as far as the hypogastric and iliac regions.

**I'LEUS** (*εἰλέω*, volvo, to turn about;—hence *volvulus*). Costiveness, with twisting about the umbilical region. It is also called the *Iliac Passion*; *Chordapsus* (*χορδῆ*, a chord, *ἄπτω*, to bind); *Miserere*, an invocation for pity, &c.

**ILEX**. The Latin name for the holm oak; now the generic name for holly; [of

which several species have been employed in medicine.

[1. *Ilex Aquifolium*. Common European Holly. The leaves, bark, and berries of this species were considered to possess medical properties. The leaves were esteemed diaphoretic, and an infusion of them was used in catarrh, pleurisy, eruptive fevers, &c. The bark, a few years since, gained considerable reputation for an antiperiodic; it was given in powder, in the dose of a drachm. The berries are said to be cathartic in the dose of ten or twelve, and sometimes to produce emesis. Their expressed juice has been given in jaundice.

[2. *Ilex opaca*. American Holly. This species is said to possess similar properties to the preceding.

[3. *Ilex Paraguaiensis*. This furnishes the celebrated Paraguay tea, a favourite South American beverage.

[4. *Ilex vomitoria*. Cassina. The decoction of the toasted leaves forms the black drink, employed by the Indians as a medicine and a drink of etiquette at their councils.

[*Ilicin*. A peculiar bitter principle obtained from the *Ilex Aquifolium*.]

**ILIAC PASSION**. Another name for *ileus*; and also for colic.

**ILIACUM OS**. *Os coxarum*. Another name for the *os innominatum*, derived from the circumstance that this compound bone supports the parts which the ancients called *ilia*, or the flanks.

1. *Ilium os*. The uppermost portion of the *os iliacum*, probably so named because it seems to support the intestine called the *ileum*. This bone is also termed *pars iliaca ossis innominati*.

2. *Iliac fossa*. A broad and shallow cavity at the upper part of the abdominal or inner surface of the *os iliacum*. Another fossa, alternately concave and convex, on the femoral or external surface, is called the *external iliac fossa*.

3. *Iliac region*. The region situated on each side of the hypogastrium.

4. *Iliac arteries*. These are termed *common*, when they are formed by the bifurcation of the aorta. They afterwards divide into the *external iliac*, and the *internal* or *hypogastric* arteries.

5. *Iliac mesocolon*. A fold of the peritoneum, which embraces the sigmoid flexure of the colon.

6. *Iliacus internus*. A muscle situated in the cavity of the ilium.

7. *Ilio*. Terms compounded with this word denote parts connected with the ilium, as *ilio-lumbar*, *ilio-sacral*, &c.



[**ILLICIUM ANISATUM.** Star Aniseed. An evergreen tree of the family *Magnoliaceæ*, a native of China, Japan, and Tartary. Its fruit yields an oil (*Oleum badiani*) having the odour and taste of Anise, and often sold in this country as common oil of aniseed.]

[*Illicium Floridanum.* Florida Anise-tree. A species growing in Florida; its bark and leaves have a taste analogous to Anise.]

[*Illicium parviflorum.* This species grows in Georgia and Carolina; its bark has a flavour resembling that of Sassafras.]

**ILLUSION** (*illudo*, to sport at). Deception, as of the sight, imagination, &c.

**ILLUTATIO** (*in*, upon, *lutum*, mud). Mud-bathing; immersion in the slime of rivers, or in saline mud. *Hot dung* is used in France and in Poland.

**IMBECILITY** (*imbecillus*, weak). Weakness of mind or intellect.

**IMBIBITION** (*imbibo*, to drink in). The terms *imbibition*, and *exudation* or *transpiration*, used in physiology, are analogous to those of *aspiration* and *expiration*, and have been lately translated, by Dutrochet, by the two Greek words *endesmosis* and *exosmosis*.

**IMBRICATED** (*imbrex*, *imbricis*, a roof-tile). A term applied to the bractæ of plants, when they overlap each other, like tiles upon the roof of a house, a distinguishing character of the *Glumaceæ*.

**IMMERSION** (*immergo*, to dip in). The act of plunging any thing into water or any other fluid.

[**IMMOVABLE APPARATUS.** A bandage imbued with starch, dextrin, or some other adhesive substance, which, when dry, becomes firm, and retains the parts to which it is applied in their proper position. It is employed for certain fractures, dislocations, &c.]

[**IMPATIENS FULVA** and **I. PALLIDA.** Touch me not. Jewel-Weed. Balsam Weed. An indigenous plant of the order *Geraniaceæ*. Drs. Wood and Bache state that an ointment made by boiling the fresh plants in lard has been employed by Dr. Ruan with great advantage in piles.]

[**IMPERATORIA OSTRUTHIUM.** Masterwort. An Umbelliferous plant, indigenous in the south of Europe. It is a stimulant aromatic; at present it is rarely used, but formerly it was considered to possess diversified remedial powers, and was used in an extended range of

diseases, with so much supposed success, as to have gained for it the title of *divinum remedium*.]

**IMPENETRABILITY** (*in*, not, *penetro*, to penetrate). That property by which a body occupies any space, to the exclusion of every other body. In a popular sense, all matter is *penetrable*; but, philosophically speaking, it is *impenetrable*, what is called penetration being merely the admission of one substance into the pores of another.

**IMPERFORATE** (*in*, not, *perforatus*, bored through). A term applied to any part congenitally closed, as the anus, the hymen, &c.

**IMPERIAL.** *Ptisana imperialis.* A cooling beverage, prepared by mixing half an ounce, each, of cream of tartar and fresh lemon peel, bruised, with four ounces of white sugar, and three pints of boiling water.

**IMPETIGINES.** Cutaneous diseases; depraved habit, with affections of the skin; the third order of the class *Cachexiæ* of Cullen.

**IMPETIGO** (*impeto*, to infest). Humid or running tetter, or scall; yellow, itching, clustered pustules, terminating in a yellow, thin, scaly crust. Bricklayers' itch and Grocers' itch are *local tetter*s, produced by the acrid stimulus of lime and sugar.

**IMPLANTATIO** (*implanto*, to engraft). A term applied to a monstrosity, in which two bodies are united, but only one is perfectly developed, while the other remains in a rudimentary state.

1. *Implantatio externa.* This is of two kinds:—1. *Implantatio externa æqualis*, in which the parts of the imperfect embryo are connected with corresponding parts of the perfect one; as when the posterior parts of the body of a diminutive fœtus hang to the front of the thorax of a fully-formed child, or where a third foot, parasitic hand, or supernumerary jaw is present: and, 2. *implantatio externa inæqualis*, in which the perfect and imperfect fœtus are connected by dissimilar points.

2. *Implantatio interna.* In this case one fœtus contains within it a second.—*Müller.*

**IMPLICATED.** A term applied by Celsus and others to those parts of physic which have a necessary dependence on one another; but the term has been more significantly applied, by Bellini, to fevers, where two at a time afflict a person, either of the same kind, as a double tertian; or of different kinds, as an inter-



mittent tertian, and a quotidian, called a *semitertian*.

IMPLUVIUM (*in*, and *pluo*, to rain). A shower-bath; an embrocation.

IMPONDERABLES (*in*, priv., *pondus*, weight). Agents which are destitute of weight, as *heat*, *light*, and *electricity*.

[IMPOSTHUME. An abscess.]

IMPOTENCE (*impotens*, unable). Incapability of sexual intercourse, from organic, functional, or moral cause.

IMPREGNATION. The act of generation on the part of the male. The corresponding act in the female is *conception*. [See *Generation*.]

INANITION (*inanio*, to empty). Emptiness, from want of food, exhaustion, &c.

INCANDESCENCE (*incandesco*, to become white-hot). The glowing or shining appearance of heated bodies; properly, the acquisition of a white heat.

INCANTATION (*incanto*, to enchant). A charm or spell; a mode anciently employed of curing diseases by poetry and music. See *Carminatives*.

INCARCERATION (*in*, and *carcer*, a prison). A term applied to cases of hernia, in the same sense as *strangulation*. Scarpa, however, restricts the former term to interruption of the fecal matter, without injury of the texture, or of the vitality of the bowel.

INCARNATION (*in*, and *caro*, *carnis*, flesh). A term synonymous with granulation, or the process which takes place in the healing of ulcers.

INCIDENTIA (*incido*, to cut). A name formerly given to medicines which consist of pointed and sharp particles, as acids, and most salts, which are said to *incide* or *cut* the phlegm, when they break it so as to occasion its discharge.

INCINERATION (*incinero*, to reduce to ashes, from *cinis*, a cinder). The reducing to ashes by burning. The combustion of vegetable or animal substances for the purpose of obtaining their ashes or fixed residue.

INCISION (*incido*, to cut). The act of cutting, with the bistoury, scissors, &c.

INCISIVUS (*incisor*, a cutting-tooth). A name sometimes given to the *levator labii superioris proprius*, from its arising just above the incisores.

1. *Incisivus medius*. The name given by Winslow to the *depressor labii superioris aëque nasi*, from its rising from the gum or socket of the fore-teeth. Albinus termed it *depressor aë nasi*.

2. *Incisivus inferior*. A name given to the *levator menti*, from its arising at the root of the incisores.

INCISO'RES (*incido*, to cut). The fore or *cutting* teeth. See *Dens*.

INCISORIUM (*incido*, to cut). A table whereon a patient is laid for an operation, by incision or otherwise.

INCISURA (*incido*, to cut). A cut, gash, or notch; a term applied to two *notches* of the posterior edge or crest of the ilium.

INCOMBUSTIBLE CLOTH. A cloth manufactured of the fibres of asbestos, supposed to have been anciently used for wrapping around dead bodies, when exposed on the funeral pile.

INCOMPATIBLE SALTS. Salts which cannot exist together in solution, without mutual decomposition.

INCOMPRESSIBILITY. That property of a substance, whether solid or fluid, by which it resists being pressed or squeezed into a smaller bulk. The ultimate particles of all bodies are supposed to be incompressible.

INCONTINENCE (*in*, not, *contineo*, to contain). Inability to retain the natural evacuations, as *enuresis*, or incontinence of urine, &c.

INCUBATION (*incubo*, to sit upon). A term applied to the period during which the hen sits on her eggs. This term also denotes the period occupied between the application of the cause of inflammation, and the full establishment of that process.

IN'CUBUS (*incubo*, to lie or sit upon). *Succubus*; *ephialtes*; *ludibria Fauni*. Night-mare; an oppressive sensation in the chest during sleep, accompanied with frightful dreams, &c.

[INCUMBENT (*incumbo*, to lie upon). Lying upon any thing; in botany, applied to the cotyledons of some Cruciferous plants, which are folded with their backs upon the radicle.]

INCUS (*an anvil*). A small bone of the internal ear, with which the malleus is articulated; so named from its fancied resemblance to an anvil. It consists of a body and two crura.

INDEHISCENT. Not opening spontaneously; as applied to certain ripe fruits.

INDEX (*indico*, to point out). The fore-finger; the finger usually employed in *pointing* at any object.

INDIAN INK. See *Ink*.

[INDIAN PHYSIC. A common name for *Gillenia trifoliata*.]

INDIAN RUBBER. See *Caoutchouc*.

INDICATION (*indico*, to point out). Circumstances which point out, in a disease, what remedy ought to be applied.





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5. *Acute, sub-acute, and chronic*; with reference to its intensity and duration.

6. *Phlegmonous*; that which is circumscribed, and disposed to suppuration.

7. *Erysipelatous*; that which is diffused, and less disposed to suppurate.

8. *Gangrenous*; that which leads to mortification, or the death of a part.

**INFLAMMATORY CRUST.** The buffy coat which appears on the surface of the crassamentum of blood drawn in inflammation, in pregnancy, &c.

**INFLATIO** (*inflo*, to blow into). The state of the stomach and bowels, when distended by flatus.

**INFLORESCENCE** (*infloresco*, to flourish). A term expressing generally the arrangement of flowers upon a branch or stem.

**INFLUENZA** (Ital. *influence*, supposed of the stars; more probably of a peculiar state of the atmosphere). Epidemic febrile catarrh. The French call it *la grippe*, under which name Sauvages first described the epidemic catarrhal fever of 1743. It was formerly called *coccoluche*, "because the sick wore a cap close over their heads."

**INFRA-ORBITAR.** Beneath the orbit; as applied to a foramen, a nerve, &c.

**INFRA-SPINATUS.** A muscle arising from the scapula below the spine, and inserted into the humerus. See *Supra-spinatus*.

**INFUNDIBULIFORM** (*infundibulum*, a funnel, *forma*, likeness). Funnel-shaped; a term applied by Winslow to a ligament joining the first vertebra to the occiput. In botany, applied to an organ with an obconical tube and an enlarged limb, as the corolla of tobacco.

**INFUNDIBULUM** (*infundo*, to pour in). A funnel; a term applied to,—

1. A little funnel-shaped process of gray matter, attached to the pituitary gland. Unlike a funnel, however, it is not hollow internally.

2. A small cavity of the cochlea, at the termination of the modiolus.

3. The three large cavities formed by the union of the *calyces*, and constituting, by their union, the *pelvis* of the kidney.

**INFUSA** (*infundo*, to pour in). Infusions; aqueous solutions of vegetable substances obtained without the aid of ebullition.

**INFUSIBLE** (*in*, not, *fundo*, to pour). That which cannot be fused or reduced to the fluid state.

**INFUSION** (*infundo*, to pour in). The

operation of pouring water, hot or cold, on vegetable substances, for the purpose of extracting their soluble and aromatic principles.

**INFUSORIA** (*infundo*, to pour in). Water animalcules; microscopic animals found in infusions of animal or vegetable matter: These are distinguished by Cuvier into,—

1. *Rotifera* (*rota*, a wheel, *fero*, to carry). Wheel-bearers, as the wheel insect.

2. *Homogena* (*ὁμοῦς*, the same, *γένος*, kind). Homogeneous animalcules, as the globe animalcule.

**INFUSUM** (*infundo*, to pour in). An infusion; vulgò, a tea. A watery solution, obtained by the maceration of a vegetable substance, in water, hot or cold.

**INGESTA** (*ingero*, to heap in). A Latin term for designating the food, drink, &c. See *Egesta*.

**INGRASSIAS, PROCESS OF.** A triangular eminence of the upper aspect of the sphenoid bone has been termed the orbital process or *small wing of Ingrassias*.

**INGUEN, -inis.** The groin; the part between the abdomen and the thigh.

1. *Inguinal glands*, situated in the groin: the *superficial*, between the skin and aponeurosis; the *deep-seated*, under the aponeurosis.

2. *Inguinal hernia*. Bubonocoele; hernia of the groin. It is termed *oblique*, when it takes the course of the spermatic canal; *direct*, when it pushes directly through the external abdominal ring.

3. *Inguinal ligament*. A ligament of the groin, commonly called Poupert's.

[**INHALER.** An apparatus for inhaling vapours, employed in diseases of the pulmonary organs. Mudge's inhaler consists of a pewter tankard, in the lid of which is a valve, and a flexible tube. The vessel is partly filled with boiling water, and the vapour is inhaled through the tube. Various volatile articles may be added to the water, and the steam thus impregnated with them.]

**INHALATIONS** (*inhalo*, to inhale). A general term comprehending two classes of volatilized substances; viz., *suffitus*, or dry fumes, and *halitus*, or watery vapours.

**INHUMATION** (*inhumo*, to inter). The act of interring. The placing a patient in an earth-bath.

**INJECTION** (*injicio*, to throw in). A composition with which the vessels of any part of the body are filled for anatomical purposes. For ordinary purposes,



it may be made of four parts of tallow, one part of rosin, and one part of bees-wax; to which, when melted together, there is to be added some oil of turpentine, having a sufficient quantity of colouring matter (vermilion for red, and king's yellow for yellow) suspended in it to colour the injection. But for a fine preparation, the following may be used:—

1. *The fine injection.* Composed of brown spirit-varnish and white spirit-varnish, of each four parts; turpentine-varnish, one part; and colouring matter, one part, or as much as is sufficient. A little of this while hot is first thrown into the arteries, into the minute branches of which it is to be forced by—

2. *The coarse injection.* Composed of bees-wax two parts, rosin one part, turpentine-varnish one part, and colouring matter, *q. s.* To the bees-wax and rosin melted together add the turpentine varnish, and then the colouring matter suspended in some oil of turpentine.

**INION** (*ινίον*, the nape of the neck; from *ἴς*, *ινός*, a sinew). The ridge of the occiput. Hence,—

*Inial.* A term applied by Barclay to that aspect of the head which is towards the *inion*. The opposite aspect is called *ant-inial*.

**INK.** A liquor or pigment used for writing or printing.

1. *Common ink*, made by adding an infusion or decoction of the nut-gall to sulphate of iron, dissolved in water. *Red ink* is composed of Brazil wood, gum, and alum. See *Sympathetic ink*.

2. *Indian ink*, made of lamp-black and size, or animal glue, scented with musk or amber, and used in China for writing with a brush, and painting.

3. *Printers' ink*, a black paint, made of linseed or nut oil and lamp-black.

4. *Permanent ink.* A solution of nitrate of silver, thickened with sap green or cochineal; used for marking linen. The pounce liquid, with which the linen is prepared, is a solution of soda, boiled with gum, or some animal mucilage. If potash be used, the ink will run.

**INNATE.** Growing upon any thing by one end, as when the anther is attached by its base to the apex of the filament.

**INNERVATION** (*in*, and *nervus*, a nerve). The properties or functions of the nervous system.

**INNOMINATUS** (*in*, priv., *nomen*, name). Nameless. Hence,—

1. *Innominata arteria.* The branch given off to the right by the arch of the

aorta, which subsequently divides into the carotid and subclavian.

2. *Innominati nervi.* A former name of the fifth pair of nerves.

3. *Innominatum os.* A bone composed of three portions: viz.,

1. The *ilium*, or haunch-bone,

2. The *ischium*, or hip-bone.

3. The *os pubis*, or share-bone.

**INOCULATION** (*in*, and *oculus*, an eye). The insertion, intentional or accidental, of a healthy or morbid virus, as the vaccine or syphilitic, into the system.

[**INORGANIC** (*in*, priv., *organum*, an organ). Without organs; or any parts for the performance of special functions, as minerals. See *Organization*.]

**INOSCUATION** (*in*, and *osculum*, a little mouth). The union of vessels, or *anastomosis*: the latter term, however, is sometimes used to designate union by minute ramification; the former, a direct communication of trunks.

**INSA'NIA** (*in*, priv., *sanus*, sound). Insanity; mania; deranged intellect. The Latin term *insanitas* is applied to bodily, and not to mental, indisposition.

**INSECTA.** The second class of the *Diplo-gangliata* or Entomoida, comprising articulated animals with six feet, which undergo metamorphosis and acquire wings.

**INSERTION** (*insero*, to implant). The attachment of a muscle to the part it moves. Compare *Origin*.

**INSOLATIO** (*in*, and *sol*, the sun). [*In-solation*]. A term sometimes made use of to denote that exposure to the sun which is made in order to promote the chemical action of one substance upon another. Also, a disease which arises from the influence of the sun's heat upon the head, called *coup-de-soleil*. Lastly, it denotes exposure to the solar heat, as a therapeutic agent.

**INSOLUBILITY** (*in*, not, *solvo*, to loose). A property, resulting from cohesion, by which a substance resists solution.

**INSOMNIA** (*in*, not, *somnus*, sleep). Sleeplessness, watching, lying awake.

**INSPIRATION** (*inspiro*, to inhale). That part of respiration in which the air is inhaled. Compare *Expiration*.

**INSPISSATION** (*in*, and *spissatus*, thickened). The process of making a liquid of a thick consistence.

**INSTINCT.** This convenient term admits of the following significations:—

1. The *Instinctive Faculty*; or that faculty which leads the duckling, untaught, into the water; the beaver to



build its hut; the bee its comb; the hen to incubate her eggs, &c.; and,—

2. The *Instinctive Motions*; or those involuntary actions which are excited mediately through the nerves,—a part of the *reflex function*. The principal instinctive motions are,—

1. The closure of the eyelids.
2. The act of sucking.
3. The act of closing the hand.
4. The act of swallowing.
5. The closure of the glottis.
6. The action of the sphincters.
7. Inspiration, as an involuntary act.
8. The acts of sneezing; of vomit-

ing.

All these phenomena accord with the definition, and take place even in the anencephalous child, on the due application of the appropriate stimuli.

[INSUFFLATION (*in, in, sufflo, to blow*). The act of blowing a gas or vapour into a cavity of the body, as when tobacco smoke is injected into the rectum, or air blown into the lungs, &c.]

INSULATION (*insula, an island*). A term applied to a body containing a quantity of electric fluid, and surrounded by non-conductors, so that its communication with other bodies is cut off.

INTEGRAL PARTICLES (*integer, entire*). The most minute particles into which any substance, simple or compound, can be divided, *similar* to each other, and to the substance of which they are parts. Thus, the smallest portion of powdered marble is still marble; but if, by chemical means, the calcium, the carbon, and the oxygen of this marble be separated, we shall then have the *elementary* or constituent particles.

INTEGUMENT (*in, and tego, to cover*). The covering of any part of the body, as the cuticle, cutis, &c. The common integuments are the skin, with the fat and cellular membrane adhering to it; also, particular membranes, which invest certain parts of the body, are called integuments, as the tunics or coats of the eye.

INTENSITY. A term denoting the degree to which a body is electrically excited.

[INTENTION. See *Union*.]

INTER. A Latin preposition, signifying *between*, or denoting intervals.

1. *Inter-articular*. A designation of cartilages which lie within joints, as that of the jaw; and of certain ligaments, as the *ligamentum teres* within the acetabulum, &c.

2. *Inter-auricular*. A term applied to

the *septum* between the auricles of the heart, in the fœtus.

3. *Inter-clavicular*. The name of a ligament connecting the one clavicle with the other.

4. *Inter-costales*. The name of two sets of muscles between the ribs—the *external* and the *internal*—which have been compared, from their passing in contrary directions, to St. Andrew's cross.

5. *Inter-current*. Applied to fevers or other diseases which occur sporadically in the midst of an epidemic.

6. *Inter-lunius morbus* (*luna, the moon*). Epilepsy; so called from its being supposed to affect persons born in the wane of the moon.

7. *Inter-mediate* (*medius, middle*). A term applied to a third substance, employed for combining together two other substances; thus, alkali is an *intermediate* between oil and water, forming soap.

8. *Inter-mittent* (*mitto, to send*). A term applied to Ague, or fever recurring at intervals; it is called *quotidian*, when the paroxysms recur daily; *tertian*, when they recur each second day; and *quar-tan*, when they recur each third day.

9. *Inter-nuntii dies* (*nuntius, a messenger*). Critical days, or such as occur between the increase and decrease of a disease.

10. *Inter-ossei*. Muscles situated between bones; as those between the metacarpal of the hand, and the metatarsal bones of the foot.

11. *Inter-spinales cervicis*. The designation of six small muscles, situated between the spinous processes of the neck. There are also *inter-spinous ligaments* attached to the margins of the spinous processes.

12. *Inter-stitial* (*intersto, to stand between*). A term applied to an organ which occupies the interstices of contiguous cells, as the uterus, the bladder, &c.

13. *Inter-transversales*. The name of muscles situated between the transverse processes of the cervical, and the similar processes of the lumbar vertebræ.

14. *Inter-trigo* (*inter, between, tero, trivi, to rub*). The erythema, abrasion, fret, or chafing, of the skin of parts which are in contact, as behind the ears, in the groins of fat persons, &c.

15. *Inter-vertebral*. A term applied to the *fibro-cartilage* between the vertebræ; to ligaments, &c.

INTERRUPTED. A term denoting a disturbance of a normal arrangement: a leaf is said to be *interruptedly pinnate*,





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**IODISM.** A peculiar morbid state, induced by the use of iodine.

**IONTHOS** (*ἰονθος*, the root of the hair). *Varus.* The name by which most of the Greek writers designate the disease *Acne*, from its occurring during the growth of the *lanugo*, or first beard. See *Acne*.

**IOTACISMUS** (*ἰώτα*, the Greek letter, *i*). A species of *psellismus*, in which the letters *j* and *g* are defectively pronounced. See *Lambdacismus*.

**IPECACUANHA** (*ipi*, Peruvian for root, *Cacuanha*, the district from whence the root was first obtained). The root of the *Cephaëlis Ipecacuanha*, known in commerce by the names of the *annulated*, *Brazilian*, or *Lisbon Ipecacuanha*, to distinguish it from the roots of other emetic plants also collected in Brazil for officinal use. Its emetic principle is termed *emetina*.

1. *Striated Ipecacuanha.* The longitudinally striated root of the *Psychotria emetica*, called by some writers the *black* or *Peruvian ipecacuanha*.

2. *Undulated Ipecacuanha.* The semi-circularly-grooved root of the *Richardsonia scabra*, or the *amylaceous* or *white ipecacuanha* of Merat.

**IPOMÆA PURGA.** The *Jalap Ipomæa*, a Convolvulaceous plant, the dried tubers of which constitute the *jalap* of commerce.

**IRIDACEÆ.** The Cornflag tribe of Monocotyledonous plants. Smooth herbaceous plants, with *leaves* equitant; *flowers* hexapetalous, triandrous; *stamens* 3; *ovarium* three-celled, many-seeded.

[**IRIDECTOMEDIALYSIS** (*ἰρις*, iris, *εκτομη*, excision, *διαλυσις*, separation). The operation for artificial pupil by excision and separation.]

[**IRIDENCEISIS** (*ἰρις*, iris, *ἐγκλειω*, to enclose). The strangulation of a detached portion of the iris.]

**IRIDESCENT** (*iris*, a rainbow). The property of shining with many colours, like the rainbow.

**IRIDIUM** (*iris*, the rainbow). The most infusible of all known metals; so called from the variety of colours assumed by its salts.

**IRIS.** Literally, a rainbow; and hence applied to the rainbow-like membrane which separates the anterior from the posterior chamber of the eye. See *Uvea*.

*Iritis.* Inflammation of the iris.

**IRIS DISEASE.** Rainbow ringworm, a species of *Herpes*, occurring in small

circular patches, each composed of concentric rings of different colours.

**IRIS FLORENTINA.** Florentine Iris or Orris; Fleur-de-Luce. The dried rhizoma of this plant is the *orris-root* of the shops.

**IRISH MOSS.** *Carrageen.* The *Chondrus crispus*; a lichen growing on rocks and stones in the sea.

**IRON.** See *Ferrum*.

**IRRIGATION** (*irrigo*, to water). The continual application of a cold lotion by dropping cold water on an affected part.

**IRRITABILITY** (*irrito*, to provoke). That action of certain muscles, as the heart, the intestines, &c., which flows from a stimulus acting immediately upon their fibres; or, in the case of the voluntary muscles, upon these, or the nerves immediately proceeding to them. This property has been termed by Haller *vis insita*; by Goerter, *vis vitalis*; by Boerhaave, *oscillation*; by Stahl, *tonic power*; by Bell, *muscular power*; by Cullen, *inherent power*; and by Dr. Bostock, *contractility*.

**IRRITATION** (*irrito*, to excite). The action produced by any stimulus. This term, as a *disease*, is applied to,—

1. The ease arising from calculus in the ureter, in the gall-duct, &c.

2. The affection induced by the presence of improper food in the stomach, or morbid matters retained in the bowels, &c., inducing symptoms resembling—*arachnitis*, *peritonitis*, *pleuritis*, *carditis*.—Dr. M. Hall.

**ISATIS TINCTORIA.** Woad. A plant from which an inferior kind of indigo is prepared.

**ISCHIUM** (*ισχίον*, the hip). *Coxa vel acetabulum.* The hip-bone, a spinous process of the os innominatum.

1. *Ischi-agra* (*ἄγρα*, a seizure). An attack of the hip; hip gout.

2. *Ischi-algia* (*ἄλγος*, pain). Pain in the hip. See *Sciatica*.

3. *Ischias.* The term used by the Latins for rheumatism of the hip-joint; it was afterwards corrupted into *ischiatica*, or *sciatica*.

4. *Ischiatic.* The designation of a notch of the os innominatum; of an artery which proceeds through that notch, &c.

5. *Ischiato-cele* (*κῆλη*, a tumour). An intestinal rupture through the sciatic ligaments.

6. *Ischio-cavernosus.* A muscle attached to the ischium and to the corpus cavernosum. It draws the root of the penis downwards and backwards. It is



also called, from its office, *erector penis*; and the two together are called *collaterales penis*, from their lying on the sides of the penis.

**ISCHNOPHONIA** (ἰσχνός, slender, φωνή, voice). *Psellismus hæsitans*. A shrillness of the voice; hesitation of speech, or stammering.

**ISCHURIA** (ἰσχω, to retain, οὔρον, urine). Suppression or retention of the urine. The term is employed, in *ischuria renalis*, in the sense of suppression; in *ischuria uretica*, *vesicalis*, and *urethralis*, in the sense of retention.

**ISINGLASS**. A corruption of the Dutch *hyzenblas*, an air bladder, compounded of *hyzen*, to hoist, and *blas*, a bladder. Fish-glass. See *Ichthyocolla*.

**ISO-** (ἴσος, equal). This prefix denotes equality, or similarity. Hence,—

1. *Iso-barysm* (βάρος, weight). Similarity of weight, supposed to be the cause of the identity in the size and shape of molecules which cohere into the crystalline form.

2. *Iso-chromatic* (χρῶμα, colour). Having the same colour, as applied to lenses.

3. *Iso-chronous* (χρόνος, time). That which occurs in equal times, as the strokes of the pulse, the vibrations of pendulums of the same length, &c.

4. *Iso-meric compounds* (μέρος, part). A term applied to different bodies which agree in composition, but differ in properties; their relation to each other is termed *isomerism*.

5. *Iso-morphous bodies* (μορφή, form). A term applied by Mitscherlich to different bodies which assume the same crystalline form; their relation in form is called *isomorphism*. When the relations are not exact, but nearly so, they may be supposed to give origin to *plesiomorphism* (πλησίος, near), or an approximation to similarity of form.

6. *Iso-perimetrical*. Having the same length of perimeter (περὶ, around, μέτρον, measure), or bounding line.

7. *Iso-poda*, (πούς, ποδός, a foot). Animals which have equal feet, as the wood-louse.

8. *Iso-thermal* (θέρμη, heat). Of equal degrees of heat, as applied to lines of equal temperature in physical geography. Lines drawn through places having the

same summer and the same winter, are denominated *isothermal* (θέρος, summer), and *iso-cheimat* (χειμα, winter), lines.

**ISOLUSINE**. A new principle, discovered by M. Peschier, in various species of polygala.

**ISSUE**. *Fonticulus*. An ulcer intentionally made and kept open, for the cure or prevention of disease.

*Issue peas*. The young unripe fruit of the *Citrus aurantium*, dried and turned in a lathe.

**ISTHMITIS** (ισθμός, a narrow neck of land, the throat; and the particle *itis*). Inflammation of the throat. See *Paristhmitis*.

**ISTHMUS VIEUSSENI**. The isthmus of Vieussens; the ridge surrounding the oval fossa, or remains of the foramen ovale, in the right auricle of the heart.

*Isthmus of the thyroid gland*. A transverse cord which connects the two lobes composing the thyroid body.

**ITACONIC ACID**. A<sup>n</sup> other name for the pyrocitric or citric acid.

**ITCH**. The vulgar name for a cutaneous disease of the fingers, &c. See *Scabies*.

*Itch insect*. The *Acarus Scabiei*, a very minute animalcule, said to be found in or near the pustules of the itch; they are called *wheel-worms* in man, and resemble the *mites* of cheese, &c.

**ITER**. A passage of communication between two or more parts.

1. *Iter ad infundibulum*. The passage of communication between the third ventricle of the brain and the infundibulum. It is also termed *foramen commune anterius*.

2. *Iter a palato ad aurem*. The passage from the palate to the ear, or the Eustachian tube.

3. *Iter a tertio ad quartum ventriculum*. The passage between the third and fourth ventricles of the brain, known by the name of the *aqueduct of Sylvius*.

**IVORY**. The name given to the teeth or tusks of the elephant, and of the walrus or sea-horse. All under 18 lbs. are called *scrivelloes*, and are of the least value.

**IVORY BLACK**. *Animal charcoal*. The residue of heated bones; a mixture of charcoal and phosphate of lime.



## J

**JACOB'S MEMBRANE.** The thin external membrane of the retina, considered by Dr. Jacob as a serous membrane.

**JACOBSON'S NERVE.** Another name for the tympanic branch, described by Jacobson.

[**JACTATION** or **JACTITATION** (*jactatio* vel *jactitatio*, a tossing). Restlessness; a kind of physical inquietude, which impels the patient to change continually his position.]

**JALAP.** The dried tubers of the *Ipomœa Purga*, a plant of the order *Convolvulaceæ*, so named from Jalapa, a place in Mexico. The *Ipomœa Orizabensis* probably yields a portion of the imported drug.

*Jalapin.* A substance constituting nearly nine-tenths of jalap resin. The remaining portion is *jalapic acid*.

**JAMAICA KINO.** An extract prepared from the bark of the *Coccoloba uvifera*, or sea-side grape, of the West Indies.

**JAMAICA PEPPER.** Allspice, or Pimento; the fruit of the *Eugenia Pimenta*, which grows in Jamaica.

**JAMAICINA.** A crystalline substance found in *Cabbage bark*, the produce of the *Andira inermis* of the West Indies.

**JAMES'S POWDER.** *Pulvis Jacobi verus.* A celebrated fever powder, supposed to be the same as the *Antimonii oxidum cum phosphate calcis*, or antimonial powder.

**JAPAN EARTH.** The *Catechu extractum*, procured from the *Acacia catechu*, or Khair tree. It is also called *terra japonica*, from its being supposed to be a mineral production; *dark catechu*, as distinguished from the *pale* kind; *Bengal catch*, in distinction from that of *Bombay*; *Gummi Lycium?* &c.

**JAPAN SAGO.** A feculent matter obtained from the soft centre of the *Cycas revoluta*, and other species.

**JAPONIC ACID.** An acid produced when catechin with alkalies or alkaline carbonates absorbs oxygen from the air.

**JASPER.** A species of rhombohedral quartz, found in the composition of many mountains; its varieties are distinguished by the terms *Egyptian*, *striped*, *porcelain*, and *common*.

**JATROPHA MANIHOT.** *Janipha Manihot.* The Cassava or Tapioca Plant, from the tuberous root of which is pre-

pared a fecula called *tapioca*. The pulp, when dried and baked into cakes, constitutes *cassava* or *cassada bread*.

*Jatropha curcas.* The species which yields the *nux barbadensis* of some writers, and the *physic nuts* of the shops.

**JATROPHIC ACID.** *Crotonic acid.* An acid procured by converting croton oil into soap.

**JAUNDICE.** A disease proceeding from obstruction in the liver, and characterised by a yellow colour of the skin, &c. The term is most probably a corruption of the French word *jaunisse*, yellowness, from *jaune*, yellow. See *Icterus*.

**JEJUNUM** (*jejunos*, hungry). The upper two-fifths of the small intestines, so named from this portion being generally found *empty*.

**JELLY.** A soft tremulous substance, —the solution of gelatin, when cold.

1. *Animal jelly*, or gelatine, is extracted by boiling from the skin, membranes, ligaments, cartilages, and bones of animals. See *Gelatine*.

2. *Vegetable jelly* is procured from the recently expressed juices of certain fruits, as the currant; and consists of mucilage, or some modification of gum and vegetable acid.

**JERUSALEM ARTICHOKE.** The *Helianthus tuberosus*, a species of sunflower, the root of which resembles the artichoke in taste. The term *jerusalem*, as applied to artichoke, is a curious corruption of the Italian term *gira-sole*, that is, *turn-sun* in English, and *heliotrope* in Greek.

**JERVIN.** A new base discovered by M. Simon, in the rhizome of *Veratrum Album*, and so named from *jerva*, the Spanish name for a poison obtained from this rhizome.

**JESUITS' BARK, or POWDER.** A term formerly applied promiscuously to the three kinds of bark, or Peruvian bark. See *Cinchona*.

**JET, or PITCH COAL.** A black velvet-coloured bitumen, used for fuel, and for making vessels, &c.

**JEWELLER'S PUTTY.** Ignited and finely-levigated oxide of tin, used by jewellers for polishing hard objects.

**JOINT.** *Arthrosis.* An articulation, or the mode by which bones are connected to each other.





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**KERMES MINERAL.** Formerly, *Panacea Glauberiana*; a sulphuret of antimony; so named, from its resemblance, in colour, to the insect kermes.

**KIBE.** *Pernio exulceratus*. Chilblain, accompanied with ulceration.

**KIDNEYS.** *Reves*. Two glandular bodies, situated in the lumbar regions, and consisting of a *cortical* or external, and a *tubular* or medullary substance.

[**KIESTEINE** (*κνέω*, to conceive, *εσθης*, a vestment). A gelatino-albuminous substance, existing in the urine of pregnant females, subsequent to the first month of pregnancy, which separates by rest, forming a pellicle on the surface. It is a useful test of pregnancy.]

**KINGDOM.** A term denoting any of the principal divisions of nature; thus we have the *organic kingdom*, comprehending substances which organize, and the *inorganic kingdom*, comprehending substances which crystallize.

**KING'S EVIL.** *Morbus Regis*. A scrofulous disease, the curing of which was formerly attributed to the king of England, from the time of Edward the Confessor. This practice was called *touching for the evil*.

**KINIC ACID.** *Quinic acid*. An acid found in the Cinchona barks. It forms salts called *kinates*.

*Kinoile*. A neutral substance produced by the calcination of a kinate by a gentle heat.

**KINO.** An astringent extract, termed *East Indian* or *genuine kino*. Nothing is known respecting its origin.

1. *Botany Bay kino*. The produce of the *Eucalyptus resinifera*, or Iron-bark tree, imported from Van Diemen's land.

2. *Jamaica kino*. The produce of the *Coccoloba uvifera*, or sea-side grape.

3. *African kino*. Said to be the produce of the *Pterocarpus erinaceus*; but there is no evidence of it.—*Pereira*.

**KIRKLAND'S NEUTRAL CERATE.** Melt together ℥viiij. of lead

plaster with ℥iv. of olive oil, into which are to be stirred ℥iv. of prepared chalk; when the mixture is sufficiently cooled, add ℥iv. of acetic acid, and ℥iij. of pulverized acetate of lead, and stir the whole until nearly cold.

**KIRSCH-WASSER.** A liqueur distilled from the fruit of the small cherry-tree, and called the brandy of Switzerland.

**KNEE-JOINT.** A complex articulation, consisting of an angular ginglymus, formed by the condyles of the femur, the upper extremity of the tibia, and the posterior surface of the patella.

**KNEE-PAN.** Patella; the small round bone at the front of the knee-joint.

**KORE'** (*κόρη*). The pupil of the eye. The compounds of this term will be found in pp. 105, 106.

**KOUMISS.** A vinous liquid, made by the Tartars from milk, principally from that of mares. Something similar is prepared in Orkney and Shetland; also by the Turks under the name of *yaourt*, and by the Arabs under that of *leban*.

**KRAMERIA TRIANDRA.** The Rhatany; a plant of the order *Polygalaceæ*, yielding *rhatany root*; the stypticity of which has been ascribed to the presence of an acid called *krameric acid*.

**KRIEBEL KRANKHEIT.** The German name of a disease which was endemic in Hessa and Westphalia during a season of dearth, in 1597. It has also been called *die Fever-flecke*, *ignis sacer*, *ignis Sancti Antonii*, *mal des ardens*, *ergot*, &c. It is arranged by Sauvages under the head of *Erysipelas pestilens*; and by Sagar, under the genus *Necrosis*.

**KUNDAH OIL.** An oil obtained from the seeds of the *Carapa Toulouconna*, also called *tallicoona oil*.

**KUPFERNICKEL.** The German name for sulphuret of nickel; in which the metal is generally mixed also with arsenic, iron, and cobalt.

[**KYLLOSIS** (*κυλλος*, crooked). A name given by Prof. Chaussier to clubfoot.]

## L

**LABARRAQUE'S SOLUTION.** A *disinfecting liquid*, of which chloride of soda is the active ingredient. It is analogous to the well-known bleaching powder, chloride of lime.

**LABDANUM.** *Ladanum*. A resinous exudation from the *Cistus Creticus*. It

is formed into cylindrical pieces, called *labdanum in tortis*.

*Labdanum factitium*. Yellow wax and hog's lard, of each six ounces; and black burnt ivory, four ounces.

**LABELLUM** (dim. of *labium*, a lip). A little lip; a term applied, in botany, to



to the *lip-like* petal of Orchidaceous plants.

**LABIA** (from λαβεῖν, to take). The lips; the two moveable veils which close the cavity of the mouth anteriorly. They are laterally united by means of two acute angles, which are called their *commissures*.

1. *Labia majora*. The two large folds, constituting the external orifice of the pudendum; also called labia pudendi.

2. *Labia minora*. The two smaller folds, situated within the labia majora, and frequently termed *nymphæ*.

3. *Labia leporina* (leporinus, from *lepus*, a hare). The hare-lip; a division of the lip, resembling that of the upper lip of the hare.

4. *Labia pudendi*. The parts of the pudendum exterior to the nymphæ; they are also called *alæ majores*, as distinguished from the nymphæ, or *alæ minores*. The term is synonymous with labia majora.

**LABIATÆ**. The Mint tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants, with *leaves* opposite; *flowers* irregular, unsymmetrical; *stamens* 4, didymous, inserted in the corolla; *ovarium* deeply 4-lobed; *fruit* 1-4 small nuts.

**LABIATE** (*labia*, a lip). Lipped; divided into two lips, as the corolla of lamium, the calyx of prunella, &c.

**LABORATORY** (*laboro*, to labour). A place properly fitted up for the performance of chemical operations.

**LABRADOR STONE**. A species of prismatic felspar, found in the island of St. Paul, on the coast of Labrador, &c.

**LABRUM**. Literally, the extremity of the lips; also, the brim of any vessel. Hence the fibro-cartilaginous rim which surmounts the cotyloid cavity has been termed *acetabuli labrum cartilagineum*.

**LABYRINTH**. The name of a series of cavities, viz. the vestibule, the cochlea, and the semicircular canals, which are channelled through the substance of the petrous bone, and situated between the cavity of the tympanum and the meatus auditorius externus. The name is derived from the complexity of its communications.

**LAC**. Milk. A term used by the Dublin College for the *mistura* of the London—when white and opaque, or milk like—and the *emulsio* of the Edinburgh Pharmacopœia.

**LAC**, or **GUM-LAC** (*loak*, Arab.). A substance, improperly called a gum, produced by an insect called *kermes lacca*, on the leaves and branches of the *Ficus*

*Indica*, the *Croton lacciferum*, the *Butea frondosa*, &c. The substance is deposited over the eggs of the insect, and serves as a present protection to the ovum, and as food for the maggot at a future stage. Lac yields a fine red dye; the resinous part is used in making sealing-wax and for a varnish.

1. *Stick lac* is the term applied to the substance in its natural state, with the encrusted leaves and twigs.

2. *Lac dye*, *lac lake*, or *cake lac*, are names applied to the colouring matter extracted from the stick lac.

3. *Seed lac* is the resinous powder which remains after the extraction of the colouring matter, by pounding and solution in water; so called from its resemblance to mustard seed. When melted, it is formed into cakes, and called *lump lac*; and, when strained through cotton over a charcoal fire, the resinous part, which melts the most easily, is formed into thin sheets, and called *shell lac*.

4. *Laccic acid*. An acid obtained, by Dr. John, from stick lac. Its salts are called *laccates*.

5. *Laccin*. A newly-discovered principle contained in lac, intermediate between wax and resin.

**LAC LUNÆ**. Literally, milk of the moon. A snowy-white substance, resembling chalk, consisting almost wholly of alumina, saturated with carbonic acid.

**LAC SULPHURIS**. Milk of sulphur, or the sulphur præcipitatum.

**LAC VACCINUM**. Cows' milk; an emulsive substance, consisting of *globular particles* floating in a serous liquid. The milk globules consist essentially of *butter*.

1. *Cremor lactis*. Flos lactis. Cream, or the globular particles of milk, which rise to the surface, carrying with them some caseum, and retaining some of the serum.

2. *Caseum*. Albumen of milk; the coagulum, or *curd*, separated from milk by the addition to it of an acid or rennet.

3. *Serum lactis*. The *whey* of milk left after the separation of the curd.

4. *Lactin*. Saccholactin, or sugar of milk, obtained from whey by evaporation.

5. *Lactic acid*. This is probably a product of the decomposition of milk.

6. *Lactometer*. A graduated glass tube, for estimating the relative quantity of cream afforded by milk.

**LACERATION** (*lacero*, to tear). A rent; the tearing of any part. The term



*lacerated* is applied to two foramina at the base of the cranium, from their lacerated appearance.

**LACERTUS** (the arm; a lizard). An old term applied to a bundle of muscular fibres, which are enclosed in a membranous sheath, and are divisible into smaller bundles, apparently in an indefinite series.

[LACMUS. Litmus, q. v.]

**LACINIATE** (*lacinia*, a fringe). Slashed; as a leaf divided by deep, taper-pointed incisions.

**LACONICUM**. A term applied to a vapour bath, from its having been much used by the people of Laconia.

**LACQUER**, or **LACKER**. Solution of lac in alcohol; a kind of varnish for brass and other metals.

**LACRYMA**. A tear; the fluid secreted by the *lacrymal gland*, and flowing on the surface of the eye.

1. The *puncta lacrymalia* are the external commencements of two small tubes, situated near the inner canthus, called—

2. The *lacrymal canals* or *ducts*, which originate from the internal angle of the eye, and terminate in—

3. The *lacrymal sac*, an oval bag, about the size of a small horse-bean, constituting the upper extremity of the nasal duct.

4. The *lacus lacrymarum* consists of a small space in the inner angle of the eye, between the two eyelids, towards which the tears flow.

[LACTATE OF IRON. Ferri Lactas. Lactate of Protoxide of Iron. A preparation recently introduced into use, and highly spoken of in the treatment of chlorosis. It is given in the form of lozenge, pill, or syrup, in the dose of 1 or 2 grains, repeated at intervals, to the extent of ℞ss. to ℞j. a day.]

**LACTATION** (*lac*, milk). The process of secreting and supplying milk, of nursing, or suckling. Pliny uses the word *lactatus*, which is more classical than *lactatio*.

**LACTEALS** (*lac*, milk). Numerous minute tubes which *absorb* or take up the chyle, or *milk-like* fluid, from the alimentary canal.

**LACTIC ACID** (*lac*, *lactis*, milk). An acid produced whenever milk, and perhaps most animal fluids, become spontaneously sour, or when the juice of beet-root is kept for some months at a high temperature. [It has also been found in the secretions, particularly in the urine.]

**LACTICA**. The Arabian name for

that species of fever which the Greeks call *typhos*, or *typhodes*.

**LACTIFEROUS DUCTS** (*lac*, *lactis* milk, *fero*, to convey.) The milk-conveying ducts of the mammary glands. The corresponding term in Greek is *galactophorous*.

**LACTIFUGE** (*lac*, *lactis*, milk, *fugo*, to expel). A medicine which checks or diminishes the secretion of milk in the mamma, as in cases of weaning; coriander seeds are reputed to have this property.

**LACTIN** (*lac*, *lactis*, milk). Sugar of milk; a crystalline substance procured from milk.

[LACTUCARIUM. Ph. U. S. The inspissated juice of the *Lactuca sativa*. It possesses anodyne properties, and may be given in the dose of from gr. ij. to gr. xv.]

**LACTUCA VIROSA**. The Strong-scented Lettuce, the milky juice of which, when inspissated, has been used as a substitute for opium, under the name of *thridace* or *lactucarium*.

1. *Lactuca sativa*. The Garden Lettuce, the milky juice of which yields *lactucarium*, but in much less quantity than the preceding species.

2. *Lactuca elongata*. Wild Lettuce. An indigenous species, said to possess medical properties similar to those of the *Lactuca virosa*.

3. *Lactucic acid*. An acid obtained from the *Lactuca virosa*, resembling oxalic acid.

**LACTU'MINA** (*lacto*, to suckle). *Lactucimina*. A name given by Amatus Lucitanus to the infantile aphthæ, from the supposition that they originated in a vitiated condition of the milk.

**LACUNA** (*lacus*, a lake). Literally, a ditch containing water. Hence the term *lacunæ* is applied to a multitude of follicles observed in the mucous membrane of the urethra, and also named *sinuses of Morgagni*.

1. *Lacuna magna*. The largest of the above-mentioned *lacunæ*, said to be the seat of the secretion of the drop of matter which is squeezed from the urethra in old gonorrhœa.

2. *Lacuna, in plants*. A term applied by Link to the *air-cells* which occur in the vegetable tissue.

**LACUNAR**. Literally, the main beam of a house, which is arched or bent like a bow. Hence the term *lacunar orbitæ*, for the upper wall or vault of the orbit.

**LACUNOSE**. Having large deep *lacunæ* or depressions on the surface.

**LAGETTA LINTEARIA**. The Lace Bark Tree, a plant of the order *Thyme-*





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**LANTANUM** (*λανθάνω*, to be concealed). A newly-discovered metal, so named from its properties being *concealed* by those of cerium, with which it is found united. It occurs in the cerite of Bastnas.

**LAPIDELLUM** (*lapis*, a stone). The name of a kind of spoon, formerly used to take small stones out of the bladder.

**LAPILLUS** (dim. of *lapis*, a stone). A little stone. A term applied to a calcareous concretion found in the cray-fish. See *Cancerum lapilli*.

**LAPIS**. A generic term, signifying all kinds of stones: thus *lapis calcareus* is limestone; *lapis infernalis*, an old name for caustic potash; *lapis calaminaris*, the impure carbonate of zinc; *lapis lazuli*, azure stone, a mineral from which the blue colour *ultra marine* is prepared.

**LAPPA MINOR**. Common Burdock, or Clot-bur; an indigenous Composite plant, the root of which is said to promote the lochial discharge.

**LAQUEUS GUTTURIS**. Literally, a noose of the throat. A malignant inflammation of the tonsils, in which the patient appears as if suffocated by a noose.

**LARD**. *Adeps suillus*. The fat of the *Sus scrofa*, or Hog, melted down. It differs from suet chiefly in consistence.

**LARDACEOUS**. A term applied to tissues which, from cancerous disease, resemble lard.

**LARIX EUROPÆA**. The Common Larch, a Coniferous tree, yielding the *lurch*, or *Venice turpentine*, and a saccharine matter called *manna of the larch*, or *manna de Brançon*.

**LARYNX** (*λάρυγξ*, the larynx). The superior part of the trachea, situated immediately under the os hyoïdes.

1. *Laryngeal*. The designation of nerves furnished by the par vagum, and distributed to the larynx; these are the *superior laryngeal*, and the *recurrent* or *inferior laryngeal* nerves.

2. *Laryngismus*. A sense of spasmodic suffocation in the larynx, commonly called *spasmodic croup*, from its resemblance to that affection.

[3. *Laryngismus stridulus*. Thymic Asthma, Miller's Asthma, Spasm of the glottis, Crowing disease of Infants, Cerebral Croup. Crowing inspiration, with a sense of suffocation in the larynx, a tumid and livid countenance, coming on in paroxysms, which are sudden in their attack and of short duration.]

4. *Laryngitis*. *Cynanche laryngæa*. Inflammation of the larynx.

5. *Laryngotomy* (*τομή*, section). The operation of making an opening into the larynx.

**LASCIVUS**. Wanton; an epithet applied, by Paracelsus, to chorea, from the peculiar contortions of the limbs.

**LASER**. A term applied by the ancients to *assafœtida*, and to the *succus Cyrenaicus*. It has been suspected that the term *assafœtida* is derived from *laser*—*assa*, quasi *laser*. The *laser Cyrenaicum*, or *assa dulcis* of Cyrene, is the produce of the *Thapsia silphion*, an Umbelliferous plant, growing on the mountains of Cyrene.

**LATENT** (*lateo*, to be hidden). A term applied to diseases of which the diagnosis is very obscure.

**LATERAL** (*latus*, *lateris*, the side). Belonging to the side; a term applied to a mode of operation in cutting for the stone. See *Lithotomy*.

**LATERITIOUS** (*later*, *lateris*, a brick). A term applied to the *red sediment* deposited from the urine in some stages of fever. This was supposed by Proust to constitute a peculiar acid, which he named the *rosaic*.

**LATEX** (*lateo*, to be hidden). Any kind of liquor squeezed out. This term denotes, in botany, a highly elaborated and highly organized juice, which is not formed immediately from the fluid matter absorbed from without. The tissue, in which this juice is found, is termed *lateritious* tissue, and more recently *cinenchyma*.

**LATIBULUM** (*lateo*, to lie hid). A hiding-place. The fomes, or hidden matter, of infectious diseases.

**LATISSIMUS DORSI** (*latissimus*; superl. of *latus*, broad; *dorsum*, the back). A flat muscle, situated on the back and side of the lower part of the trunk. It moves the arm backwards and downwards; or brings forward the body when the hand is fixed. It has received the offensive appellations of *sculptor ani* and *tersor ani*.

**LAUDANUM**. The *Tinctura Opii* sive *Thebaica*. Nineteen [thirteen] minims [or 25 drops] contain one grain of opium.

*Laudanum liquidum Sydenhami*. The original of the *Vinum Opii*, with double the quantity of opium, and with wine as the menstruum. One fluid drachm contains ten grains of opium.

**LAURACEÆ**. The Cinnamon tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. *Leaves* entire, alternate; *flowers* apetalous; *stamens* perigynous; *fruit* baccate or drupaceous; *seeds* without albumen.



**LAUREL WATER.** The distilled water of the *Prunus lauro-cerasus*, a species of cherry.

**LAURIN.** *Camphor of the bay-berry.* A solid substance extracted from the berries of the *Laurus Nobilis*, or Sweet Bay.

**LAURUS NOBILIS.** The Sweet Bay; the plant which yields the bay-berry, and its camphor, called *laurin*.

**LAVA.** The matter thrown out from volcanoes, in consequence of the combustion of bituminous masses. The lightest kind is called *pumice-stone*.

**LAVA'MEN** (*lavo*, to wash). The Latin term for enema, or injection

**LAVANDULA VERA.** Common or Garden Lavender; the plant from which the oil, and the spirit, of lavender are prepared. It enters also into the composition of *Eau de Cologne* and the *Vinigre aux quatre voleurs*.

*Lavandula spica.* French Lavender, which yields the oil of spike, sometimes called *foreign oil of lavender*, in order to distinguish it from the oil of *Lavandula stœchas*, the *true oil of spike*. Used by painters on porcelain, and for making varnishes.

**LAVER.** The name of a species of fucus, which is eaten as a delicacy.

**LAVIPEDIUM** (*lavo*, to wash, *pes*, the foot). A bath for the feet.

**LAWSONIA INERMIS.** The plant from which the *henné* of Egypt is obtained. It is principally used by the natives as a dye.

**LAXATIVES** (*laxo*, to loosen). Mild purgatives; medicines which *loosen* the contents of the intestines. See *Cathartics*.

**LAXATOR TYMPANI** (*laxo*, to loosen). A muscle of the tympanum, attached to the handle of the malleus.

**LAZARETTO** (*lazzaretto*, Italian; from *lazzero*, a leper). A pest-house, or establishment for facilitating the performance of quarantine, and particularly the purification of goods arriving from places infected with disease.

**LEAD.** *Plumbum.* A bluish-gray metal; the softest of all the durable metals. [See *Black lead*, *Minium*, and *Cerussa*.]

**LEAPING AGUE.** The name of a disease occurring in some parts of Scotland, and consisting of a morbid propensity to running, leaping, &c.

**LEATHER.** The skins of animals, macerated in lime-water, and tanned with astringent substances, particularly oak-bark.

**LEAVEN, or YEAST.** A substance which possesses the power of commencing fermentation in other substances.

**LECONORIN.** A white crystalline substance obtained from the *Leconora tartarea*, and other lichens employed in the manufacture of cudbear.

[**LEDUM PALUSTRE.** Marsh tea, *Rosmarinus sylvestris*. A plant of the natural order Ericinæ, the leaves of which are supposed to possess *na<sub>r</sub>cot<sub>i</sub>c* properties, and have been used in whooping-cough, dysentery, various cutaneous diseases, &c. They have been also used as a substitute for hops in making beer.

[*Ledum latifolium.* Labrador tea. An indigenous species, the leaves of which are considered pectoral and tonic.]

**LEECH.** A genus of the class *Vermes*, and order *Intestina*. See *Hirudo*.

**LEGUMEN** (*lego*, to gather). A legume; a one-celled, two-valved, superior fruit, dehiscent by a suture along its face and its back, and bearing seeds on each margin of its ventral suture.

1. *Legumen lomentaceum.* A lomentum; a fruit differing from a legume in being contracted in the spaces between each seed, and there separating into distinct pieces.

2. *Legumin.* A peculiar principle, found in the fleshy cotyledons of the seeds of papilionaceous plants.

**LEGUMINOSÆ** (*legumen*, a legume). The Pea tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbs with *leaves* alternate; *stamens* perigynous, monadelphous, or diadelphous; *ovarium* superior, solitary, simple; *fruit* leguminous; *seeds* without albumen.

**LEIPOPSYCHIA** (*λείπω*, to leave, *ψυχή*, the soul). The term used by Hippocrates for syncope; Galen uses *apopsychia*. It is synonymous with the *leipo-thymia* of Sauvages.

**LEIPOTHY'MIA** (*λείπω*, to leave, *θυμός*, the mind). *Deliquium animi*. Fainting. The term is synonymous with the *leipopsychia* of Hippocrates.

**LEMNIAN EARTH.** A compound of aluminum, found in the island of Lemnos. It is also called *sphragide* (*σφραγίς*, a seal), and *terra sigillata*, from its being cut into pieces, and stamped with a seal. It is similar to Armenian bole.

**LEMONADE.** A refrigerant acidulated drink, made by adding two lemons sliced, and two ounces of sugar, to two pints of boiling water, and digesting until cold. A similar beverage is called *king's cup*.



**LENIENTIA** (*lenio*, to assuage). Medicines which allay irritation.

**LENITIVES** (*lenis*, gentle). Soothing medicines. Gentle purgatives.

*Lenitive electuary*. Electuarium Sennæ. The former name of the confectio Sennæ. See [*Confectio Sennæ*.]

**LENS** (*lens*, *lentis*, Latin, a bean). Properly, a small roundish glass, shaped like a *lentil*, or bean.

1. In *Physics*, the term is applied to any transparent medium, of certain forms: these are, the *convex*, which converges the rays; the *concave*, which disperses them; the *plano-convex*, having one surface plane, and the other convex; the *double convex*, having both sides convex; the *plano-concave*, having one surface plane, and the other concave; the *double concave*, having two concave surfaces; and the *meniscus*, having one side concave, and the other convex.

2. In *Anatomy*, the term is applied to the *crystalline humour* of the eye. *Short-sightedness* is occasioned by the convergence of the rays to a point before they fall upon the retina, and a concave lens is employed to delay their convergence; in *long-sightedness*, the rays do not converge to a point till they have passed the retina, and a convex lens is employed to promote their convergence.

**LENTICELLÆ**. Lenticular glands, or brown oval spots found upon the bark of many plants, especially willows.

**LENTICULA** (*lens*, a lentil seed). The term used by Celsus for freckles; it is now more generally written *lentigo*.

**LENTICULAR** (*lens*, *lentis*, a lentil). A term applied to parts which are about the size of a lentil seed.

1. *Lenticular ganglion*. Another name for the ciliary ganglion, situated at the external side of the optic nerve.

2. *Lenticular papillæ*. The papillæ situated at the posterior part of the tongue; they are from nine to fifteen in number, of a round form, of the size of a large mustard seed.

3. *Lenticular bone*. Another name for the os orbiculare.

**LENTICULAR** (*lenticulaire*, doubly convex). An instrument for removing the irregularities of bone from the edge of the perforation made in the cranium by the trephine. [In botany, it signifies lens-shaped; small, depressed, and doubly convex.]

**LENTIGO** (*lens*, *lentis*, a lentil). Ephelis, freckles, or the little yellow spots on the skin, produced by exposure to the rays of the sun, and so named from their likeness to lentil seeds.

**LENTOR** (*lentus*, clammy). The viscosity or clamminess of a fluid.

*Lentor of the blood*. The name given by Boerhaave to viscosity of the blood, to which he ascribed the existence of fever; maintaining that the general disturbance, which constitutes fever, proceeds from an *error loci* of the viscid blood, &c. Hence the terms *diluents*, *humectants*, *attenuants*, &c., were applied to medicines which were supposed to dissolve that tenacity; while those of an opposite character were called *inspissants*.

[**LEONTODON TARAXICUM**. Dandelion. A plant of the order Compositæ. Its root is the officinal Taraxicum, and is esteemed slightly tonic, diuretic, and aperient.]

**LEONTIASIS** (*λέων*, *λέοντος*, a lion). A designation of the tubercular species of Elephantiasis; so termed from its imparting a fancied resemblance to the physiognomy of the lion.

**LEPIDIN**. A yellow substance procured by Leroux from the *Lepidium iberris*, a Cruciferous plant.

**LEPIDOPTERA** (*λεπίς*, *λεπίδος*, a scale, *πτερόν*, a wing). Scaly-winged insects, as the butterfly.

**LEPIDOSIS** (*λεπίς*, a scale). Scale-skin; an efflorescence of scales over different parts of the body, often thickening into crusts.

*Lepidote*. Leprous, covered with minute peltate scales.

**LEPRA** (*λέπρα*; from *λεπρός*, *λεπρά*, scaly; th. *λεπίς*, or *λέπος*, a scale). The leprosy of the Greeks; a scaly disease of the skin, occurring generally in circular patches.

**LEPROSY** (*λεπρός*, scaly; from *λεπίς*, a scale). The leprosy of the Jews appears to have been the *leuce* (*λευκή*) of the Greeks, the white *baras* of the Arabians, and the third species of *vittiligo* of Celsus. It is principally characterized by *whiteness of the hair*, and *depression of the skin*. Compare *Lepra*.

**LERE'MA** (*ληρέω*, to doat). Dotage; superannuation; impotence of body and mind from premature old age.

**LESION** (*læsio*; from *lædo*, to hurt). Any hurt, injury, or morbid change. Under the term *organic lesions*, Pinel includes most of the chronic disorders which are unaccompanied by fever, inflammation, hæmorrhage, or nervous affection.

**LETHARGY** (*λήθη*, forgetfulness, *ἀργία*, inactivity). Profound and continued sleep. It is the slightest form of coma,





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the intestines). *Lævitas intestinorum*. Lientery; a species of diarrhœa, in which the food has been only partially digested.

[LIFE. The state of action peculiar to an organized body or organism. This state commences with the first production of the germ; it is manifested in the phenomena of growth and reproduction; and it terminates in the death of the organized structure, when its component parts are disintegrated, more or less completely, by the operation of the common laws of matter. Carpenter.]

LIGAMENTUM (*ligo*, to bind). A ligament; a membrane of a flexible but compact texture, which connects the articular surfaces of bones and cartilages; and sometimes protects the joints by a capsular envelope.

LIGATURE (*ligo*, to bind). Thread, or silk, or inkle, commonly rubbed with white wax, for tying arteries, excrescences, &c.

*Ligature d'attente*. A loose ligature, used by the continental surgeons in the operation for aneurysm, &c., for the purpose of being tied in the event of hæmorrhage.

LIGHT. *Lux, lucis*. The agent of vision. It is distinguished into two kinds; viz., *natural* light, proceeding from the sun and stars; and *artificial* light, proceeding from bodies which are strongly heated; this glowing or shining appearance is called *incandescence*. The phenomena of light may be referred to the following heads:—

1. *Radiation*, or the emission of light, like that of caloric, in all directions, in the form of *radii*, or rays. A collection of such rays accompanying each other, is termed a *pencil*. The *radiant point* is the point from which diverging rays proceed; the *focus*, the point into which converging rays are collected.

2. *Reflection*, or the rebound of a ray of light, as of caloric, from a polished surface; the angle of *incidence* being equal to the angle of *reflection*.

3. *Refraction*, or the *break* of the natural course of a ray of light, as it passes into a transparent substance, as glass or water; this is termed *ordinary refraction*. If a ray fall upon the surface of Iceland spar, or certain other substances, it will be split into two portions, making an angle with each other, and each pursuing its own separate course; this is called *double refraction*; one of these rays following the same rule as if the substance were glass or water, the other undergoing *extraordinary refraction*.

4. *Polarization*, or the property by which a ray of light, after its emergence from the substance, or reflection from the surface, of a body, acquires *poles* or sides with different properties, in relation to the plane of its incidence. Polarized light may be procured from common light in three ways; viz.,

1. By *reflection* from the surfaces of transparent and opaque bodies.

2. By *transmission* through several plates of uncrystallized bodies.

3. By transmission through bodies regularly crystallized, and possessing the property of double refraction, as Iceland spar, &c.

5. *Decomposition*, or the division of a ray of light, in traversing a prism, into its constituent colours; the appearance, thus produced, is called the *prismatic spectrum*. See *Prism*.

6. *Phosphorescence*, or the emission of light from certain substances. These are artificial compounds, as Canton's phosphorus; some bodies when strongly heated, as marble; certain marine animals, in the living or dead state, as the medusa, the herring, &c.; certain animalcules, as the fire-fly of the West Indies, the glow-worm, &c.; vegetable substances, as rotten wood, peat-earth, &c.

LIGNEOUS (*lignum*, wood). Woody; having the structure and other characters of wood.

LIGNIN (*lignum*, wood). The basis of woody fibre—the most durable product of vegetation. When heated in close vessels, it yields *pyro-ligneous acid*; and a peculiar spirituous liquor is produced, called *pyro-xylic spirit*.

LIGNONE (*lignum*, wood). *Xylite*. A liquid which exists in commercial pyroxylic spirit,—a product of the distillation of wood.

LIGNUM. Wood; that portion of arborescent plants which comprises the *alburnum* and the *duramen*.

1. *Lignum aloës*. See *Aloes Wood*.

2. *Lignum Braziliense*, *lignum Pernambucense*, Pernambuco wood. See *Brazil Wood*.

3. *Lignum campechianum*, *Nicaragua wood*. Logwood. See *Hæmatoxyli lignum*.

4. *Lignum colubrinum* (coluber, a snake). Snake-wood; the produce of the *Strychnos ligustrina*, supposed to be a preservative against the bite of serpents.

5. *Lignum nephriticum* (*νεφρός*, a kidney). The name of a bitter-tasted wood, imported from Mexico, and formerly supposed to be a sovereign remedy in *nephritis*, or inflammation of the kidneys.



6. *Lignum pavanæ*. The wood of the Croton Tiglium. It has the same quality as the seeds, but weaker.

7. *Lignum rhodium* (ῥόδος, a rose). Jamaica Rose-wood; the produce of the Amyris balsamifera; used in cephalic fumigations, &c. The African lignum rhodium is the produce of the *Convolvulus scoparius*; the West Indian, of a species of *Cordia*.

8. *Lignum santali rubri*. Red Saunders' wood. See *Pterocarpus Santalinus*.

9. *Lignum serpentinum*. The wood of the *Ophioxylon serpentinum*; used in the bites of serpents.

10. *Lignum vitæ*. The wood of the *Guaiacum officinale*, remarkable for the direction of its fibres, each layer of which crosses the preceding diagonally. It is also called *lignum benedictum*, or St. Benedict's wood; *lignum indicum*, or Indian wood; and *lignum sanctum*, or holy wood.

**LIGULA**. A peculiar membranous process at the top of the sheath of Grasses, between the sheath and the blade.

*Ligulate*. Strap-shaped.

[**LIGUSTICUM LEVISTICUM**. Lovage. A European Umbelliferous plant, possessing carminative, diaphoretic, and emmenagogue properties. The root, stem, leaves, and seeds have been employed.]

**LILACINE**. The bitter crystallizable principle of the *Syringa vulgaris*, or Lilac.

**LIMATU'RA** (*lima*, a file). *Ramenta*. The powder or dust which comes from filing.

**LIMAX** (*limus*, slime). *Cochlea terrestris*. The snail, so called from its sliminess.

**LIMBUS LUTEUS**. A yellow halo surrounding the *foramen of Soemmering*, observed in animals which have the axis of the eyeballs parallel with each other, as in man, the quadrumana, and some reptiles.

**LIME**. [The fruit of the citrus acris, a variety of lemon.]

The oxide of calcium; an alkaline earth, found as a carbonate in marble, chalk, and limestone. These substances become lime when burned in a white heat. See *Calx*.

1. *Quick lime*. The name of limestone which has been burned, and undergone a change of properties.

2. *Slaked lime*. The powder produced by pouring water upon quick-lime; the water is absorbed, the lime swells, evolves heat, and falls to powder. It is then termed *dry lime*, in contradistinction to that of *lime-water*, the former be-

ing simply a hydrate, the latter holding lime in suspension with a large quantity of fluid.

3. *Milk or cream of lime*. The hydrate of lime diffused through water.

**LIMON**. The Lemon; the fruit of the *Citrus Medica*, or Lemon tree; a native of Media.

**LIMO'SIS** (λιμός, hunger). Morbid appetite; impaired, excessive, or depraved appetite.

**LINACEÆ**. The Flax tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants with leaves usually alternate; flowers symmetrical, polypetalous; stamens hypogynous; ovarium entire, many-celled; seeds compressed and inverted.

1. *Linum usitatissimum*. The Lint plant, or Common Flax. The seed is commonly called *linseed*, or more properly *lintseed*. The cake, or *placenta lini*, left after the expression of the oil, is called *oil-cake*; and this, when powdered, forms *linseed meal*, or the *farina lini*.

2. *Linum catharticum*. Purging Flax; a European plant, now almost obsolete.

**LINAMENTUM** (*linum*, linen). Lint; a tent for a wound.—*Celsus*.

**LINCTUS** (*lingo*, to lick). A term applied to soft substances, of the consistence of syrup, which are taken by being *licked* off a spoon.

**LINEA**. A line or streak; a linear fibre, or process, &c.

1. *Linea alba*. A white line formed by the meeting of the tendons of the abdominal muscles; it extends from the ensiform cartilage to the pubes. This is the *median line* of Chaussier.

2. *Lineæ semilunares*. Two curved lines, a little external to the *linea alba*, extending from the sides of the chest to the pubes, and bounding the recti muscles.

3. *Lineæ transversales*. Three or four transverse lines, which connect the *lineæ semilunares* to the *linea alba*.

4. *Linea innominata*. Literally, an *unnamed line*; an elevated line, forming a part of the brim of the pelvis; and also termed *linea ileo-pectinea*.

5. *Linea aspera*. The rough prominence observed along the posterior surface of the femur.

6. *Linea quadrata*. The posterior intertrochanteric line of the femur, to which the quadratus femoris muscle and capsular ligament are attached.

7. *Lineæ transversæ*. The name of some fibres which run across the raphe of the corpus callosum.

**LINEAMENT** (*linea*, a line). A deli-



cate trait; the earliest trace of the embryo.

**LINEAR.** Narrow, with the two opposite margins parallel.

**LINGUA** (*lingo*, to lick). The tongue; the organ of taste and speech.

1. *Lingual.* The designation of the gustatory nerve, or nerve of the tongue.

2. *Lingualis.* A muscle of the tongue arising from the root, and inserted into the tip; it is unconnected with any bone; it contracts the tongue, and compresses its point.

**LINGUETTA LAMINOSA.** A thin tonguelet of gray substance, extending from the gray substance of the cerebellum upon the valve of Vieussens.

**LINIMENTUM** (*lino*, to besmear). A liniment, or embrocation; an external application, having the consistence of an oil or balsam.

**LINNEAN SYSTEM.** A method of classifying plants, introduced by Linnaeus, and founded on modifications of the sexual apparatus; hence, it is also called the *sexual system*.

**LINT.** *Linteum.* The scrapings of fine linen, for dressing wounds, ulcers, &c. It is made into various forms, which have different names, according to the difference of the figures: when made up in an oval or orbicular form, it is called a *pledget*; when in a cylindrical form, or in the shape of a date or olive-stone, it is called a *dossil*.

**LINTEUM** (*quasi lineum*, from *lino*, to anoint). A linen cloth, or napkin. Celsus uses the diminutive term *linetulum*, for a piece of linen cloth or a pledget.

[**LINUM.** See *Linaceæ*.]

**LIPAROCÉLE** (*λίπος*, fat, *κῆλη*, a tumour). A species of sarcocele, in which the enclosed substance is fat.

**LIPOMA** (*λίπος*, fat). Adipose tumour, formed of fatty, unorganized substances.

**LIPPITUDO** (*lippus*, blear-eyed). Blearedness; a chronic catarrhal inflammation of the eyelids. This affection commonly begins towards the angles of the eye, and is thence called *lippitudo angularis*; when it is attended with tingling and itching, it has been termed *lippitudo pruriginosa*, and, by Mr. Ware, *psorophthalmia*; syphilitic eruption on the eyelids of infants is termed *lippitudo syphilitica neonatorum*.

**LIPYRIA** (*λείπω*, to leave, *πῦρ*, heat). Properly, *Leipopyria*. Coldness of the surface; a symptom in some fevers, as the noted epidemic of Breslaw, &c.

**LIQUATION** (*liqueo*, to melt). A mode

of purifying the ore of tin. The impure metal being exposed to heat, the pure tin is first melted, and separated from a less fusible alloy, containing the foreign metals.

**LIQUEFACIANTS** (*liquefacio*, to liquefy). Agents which augment the secretions, arrest the solidifying, and promote the liquefying processes of the animal economy. They correspond with the *panchymagogues* of the ancients. From their effect in checking phlegmonous inflammation, removing indurations, &c., they are frequently termed *resolvents*.

**LIQUEFACTION** (*liquefacio*, to melt). The passing of a substance from the solid to the liquid state,—one of the effects of caloric. This term is sometimes synonymous with *fusion*, with *deliquescence*, and with *solution*.

**LIQUEUR.** A spirituous liquor, composed of water, alcohol, sugar, and some aromatic infusion, extracted from fruits, seeds, &c. The same aromatic infusion may give its name to liqueurs of different qualities; thus, one proportion of ingredients gives *eau-de-noyau*; another, *crème-de-noyau*, &c. The French distinguish three qualities; viz.,

1. The *Ratafias*, or simple liqueurs, in which the sugar, the alcohol, and the aromatic substance are in small quantities; as anise-water, *noyau*, &c.

2. The *Oils*, or the fine liqueurs, containing more saccharine and spirituous matter; as anisetta, *curaçoa*, &c.

3. The *Creams*, or superfine liqueurs, as *rosoglio*, *maraschino*, *Dantzic*, &c.

**LIQUID** (*liqueo*, to melt). An inelastic fluid. All liquids may be arranged into two great classes, viz., *simple liquids*, as mercury; and *compound liquids*, as combined gases, &c.

**LIQUIDAMBAR** (*liquidum*, fluid, *ambar*, the aromatic substance which distils from the tree). A genus of plants, of which the species *altingia* yields the *liquid storax*, or *rasamala* of the Malayan archipelago.

**LIQUOR** (*liqueo*, to become liquid). A liquor or solution; an intimate mixture of solid with fluid bodies; the dissolving fluid is termed the *solvent*, or *menstruum*.

1. *Liquor aluminis compositus*. A compound solution of alum and sulphate of zinc, formerly called *aqua aluminosa Bateana*.

2. *Liquor ammoniæ*. A solution of ammoniacal gas in water, otherwise called *aqua ammoniæ*. [See *Ammonia*.]

3. *Liquor ammoniæ acetatis*. A solution of the neutral acetate of ammonia,





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**LITHIA** (λίθος, a stone). The protoxide of lithium; an alkali discovered in 1818, by M. Arfwedson, of Sweden, in the mineral called petalite; it received its name from its having been first found in an earthy mineral.

**LITHIASIS** (λίθος, a stone). The formation of a calculus, or stone, in the urinary passages. It is sometimes termed *lithia* and *lithus*.

**LITHIC ACID** (λίθος, a stone). *Uric acid*. A principle constantly present in healthy urine, and generated by the action of the kidneys.

**LITHIUM** (λίθος, a stone). The metallic base of a rare alkaline oxide called *lithia*, from its having been first derived from an earthy mineral.

**LITHONTRIPTICS** (λίθος, a stone, τρίβω, to wear by friction). Medicinal agents which dissolve or disintegrate urinary calculi within the body.

1. *Lithonriptor*. The name of an instrument for reducing calculi in the bladder into small particles or powder, which is then washed out or voided with the urine. The following instruments are used by Baron Heurteloup:—

2. “*L'instrument à trois branches, avec un foret simple,*” consisting of a canula, three tenacula, and a drill, for crushing stones equal in diameter to the drill.

3. “*L'instrument à trois branches, avec le mandrin à virgule,*” applicable to stones of from eight to ten lines in diameter; the “*virgule,*” or shoulder, being employed to excavate the calculus.

4. “*L'instrument à quatre branches,*” or “*pince à forceps,*” adapted to stones of from twelve to eighteen lines in diameter, and furnished with a “*mandrin à virgule,*” the “*virgule*” of which makes a larger excavation than that of the preceding instrument.

5. “*Le brise coque,*” or the shell-breaker, adapted to breaking down the shell formed by the previous excavations; and also flat and small stones.

**LITHOPÆDION** (λίθος, a stone, παιδίον, a child). A kind of stony mass, into which the fœtus has been found to be converted in the uterus. The term *osteopædion* is also used to denote a bony mass, found on similar occasions.

**LITHOTOMY** (λίθος, a stone, τομή, section). The operation of cutting into the bladder, in order to extract a stone. The various modes of performing this operation are termed—

1. The *apparatus minor*, or lesser apparatus; this has been described by Celsus; and hence called *lithotomia Cel-*

*siana*. As the stone, fixed by the pressure of the fingers in the anus, was cut directly upon, this has been called *cutting on the gripe*, a knife and a hook being the only instruments used.

2. The *apparatus major*, or greater apparatus, so named from the numerous instruments employed; this has been also called the *Marion method*, from having been first published by Marianus Sanctus, in 1524, as the invention of his master, Johannes de Romanis.

3. The *high operation*, first practised in Paris, in 1475, and performed by making the incision above the pubes, in the direction of the *linea alba*.

4. The *lateral operation*, so named from the prostate gland and neck of the bladder being laterally cut.

[**LITHOTRITY** or **LITHOTRIPSY**. (λίθος, a stone, τέρω, to perforate, or θρύπτω, to crush in pieces). The operation of boring or crushing calculi in the bladder, with a view of reducing them into small fragments, so that they may pass through the urethra with the urine. See *Lithontriptics*.]

**LITMUS** or **TURNSOL**. A blue pigment obtained from the Lichen *Orcella*. In an earlier state of its preparation, it is of a purplish red colour, and is then called *archil*, *orchall*, and *orseille de Canaries*. Litmus is employed by chemists for detecting the presence of a free acid.

*Litmus paper* is prepared by digesting powdered litmus in water, and painting with it white paper which is free from alum. See *Curcuma Paper*.

**LIVER**. The largest glandular apparatus in the body, the office of which is to secrete the bile. It is divided into three lobes—

1. The *great lobe*, situated in the right hypochondriac region;

2. The *small lobe*, situated in the epigastric region; and,

3. The *lobulus Spigelii*, situated on the left side of the great lobe. It has two prolongations, which have been termed the *lobulus caudatus*, and the *lobulus anonymus* or *quadratus*.

**LIVER-SPOTS**. *Chloasma*. A vernacular term for the pityriasis versicolor.

**LIVIDITY** (*livor*, a livid colour.) The discoloration which occurs in the body in some diseases of the heart, &c.

**LIVOR** (*liveo*, to be black and blue). A blackish mark on the body, produced by a blow, fall, &c. A dark circle round the eye.

**LIXIVIATION**. A term denoting the application of water to a saline body



which consists of both soluble and insoluble ingredients. The solution obtained is the *lixivium*, or *ley*.

**LIXIVIUM** (*lix, licis*, anciently, water or liquor in general; also lye). Lye, or ley, made of ashes; also, the potassa impura. This term was formerly applied to some of the alkaline salts, and their solutions.

1. *Lixivia vitriolata*. Vitriolated ley, or the sulphas potassæ.

2. *Lixivia vitriolata sulphurea*. Sulphureous vitriolated ley, or the sulphas potassæ cum sulphure.

3. *Lixivium alkali fixum vegetabile*. Fixed vegetable alkaline ley, or the potassa impura.

4. *Lixivium causticum*. Caustic ley; another name for the liquor potassæ.

5. *Lixivium saponarium*. Soap ley; another name for the liquor potassæ.

6. *Lixivium tartari*. Tartar ley; or the liquor potassæ carbonatis, formerly called oleum tartari per deliquium.

7. *Lixivium vinum*. The wine which exudes from grapes before they are pressed.

8. *Lixivium sanguinis*. Blood ley; an impure solution of ferro-cyanide of potassium.

**LOADSTONE**. An ore of iron which possesses the peculiar properties of attracting iron, and of turning towards the north pole, when freely suspended. The properties of the natural loadstone may be communicated to iron and steel, which, when properly prepared and touched by the loadstone, are called *artificial magnets*. See *Magnet*.

**LOAM**. An impure potters' clay, mixed with mica and iron ochre.

[LOBE. See *Lobus*.]

[LOBED (*lobus*, a lobe). Partly divided into a number of segments. In botany applied to leaves the margins of which are deeply incised.]

**LOBELIACEÆ**. The *Lobelia* tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants or shrubs, with leaves alternate; flowers axillary or terminal; stamens synergensious; ovarium inferior; fruit capsular.

1. *Lobelia inflata*. Bladder-podded *Lobelia*, Indian Tobacco, or Emetic Weed; a plant with properties similar to those of tobacco.

2. *Lobelia syphilitica*. Blue Cardinal Flower; the root of which has been used by the North American Indians as specific in syphilis.

3. *Lobelin*. A peculiar principle, procured from *Lobelia inflata*, and said to resemble *nicotin*.

**LOBULUS** (dim. of *lobus*, a lobe). A lobule, or small lobe.

1. *Lobulus Spigelii*. A small lobe of the liver, on the left of the great lobe, and named from Adrian Spigel, a Belgian physician.

2. *Lobulus quadratus vel anonymus*. That portion of the liver which is between the gall-bladder and the umbilical fissure.

3. *Lobulus vel processus caudatus*. A small tail-like appendage to the lobulus Spigelii, from which it runs outwards, like a crest, into the right lobe.

4. *Lobule of the par vagum*. The name of a small tuft at the inferior part of the cerebellum.

5. *Lobulus pneumogastricus*. A lobule of the cerebellum, situated near the origin of the eighth pair of nerves; its form is that of a convoluted shell.

6. *Lobulus auris*. The lower dependent and fleshy portion of the pinna of the ear.

7. *Lobuli testis*. The lobules formed by the convolutions of the tubuli seminiferi of the testis.

**LOBUS** (*λοβός*, from, *λαμβάνω*, to take hold of). A lobe:—

1. The designation of the portions into which the lower surface of the brain is divided: these are termed the *anterior*, the *middle*, and the *posterior* lobes.

2. The name of the lower and pendent part of the external ear.

3. The name of the divisions of the lungs, of the liver, &c.

4. The *lobus of Morgagni* is a lobe at the base of the prostate, discovered by Morgagni, and since described by Sir Everard Home.

**LOCALES** (*locus*, a place). Local diseases; morbid affections which are partial.

**LOCHIA** (*λοχέω*, to bring forth). The uterine discharge which takes place for some days after delivery; in cattle, it is termed the *cleansings*.

**LOCKED JAW**. A spasmodic affection, preventing the motion of the jaws. See *Trismus*, and *Tetanus*.

**LOCOMOTION** (*locus*, a place, *moveo*, to move). The act of moving from one place to another.

**LOCULICIDAL**. That mode of dehiscence of fruits, in which the loculi, or cells, are severed at their back.

**LOCUS NIGER**. Literally, a *black spot*; a term applied to the dark appearance in the centre of the section of the crus cerebri.

**LOCUS PERFORATUS**. A whitish



gray substance situated between the crura cerebri, and perforated by several apertures for the transmission of vessels. It is sometimes called *pons Tarini*.

**LOCUSTA.** A spikelet, or partial spike; a portion of the inflorescence of many grasses.

**LOCUSTIC ACID** (*locusta*, a grasshopper). An acid procured from grasshoppers, differing little from acetic acid.

**LOGWOOD.** See *Hæmatoxyli, Lig-num*.

**LOHOCH, or LOOCH.** *Eclegma*. A thick syrup, made of mucilaginous substances.

**LONG SIGHT.** An affection of the sight, in which the vision is only accurate when the object is far off: it is the *dysopia proximorum* of Cullen, and the *vue longue* of the French. See *Lens*, [and *Presbyopia*.]

**LONGISSIMUS OCULI.** A name given to the *obliquus superior*, from its being the longest muscle of the eye. See *Brevissimus*.

**LONGITUDINAL** (*longus*, long). A term applied to two *sinuses* of the dura mater.

**LONGUS COLLI.** A long muscle at the back of the œsophagus, which supports and bends the neck. The muscle between the spinous processes of the vertebræ and the angle of the ribs is called *longissimus dorsi*.

**LORDOSIS** (*λорδός*, curved). Pro-curvation of the head and shoulders, or anterior crookedness. Posterior incurvation was formerly called *cyrtosis*; and the lateral form, *hybosis*.

**LORICA.** Literally, a coat of mail. A kind of lute, with which vessels are coated before they are exposed to the fire. Hence the term *lorication* in chemistry, for coating. See *Lute*.

**LOTIO.** A lotion, or wash; a liquid remedy, intended for external application. This generic term comprehends embrocations, fomentations, liniments, collyria, &c.

**LOUSINESS.** *Malis pediculi*. An affection in which the cuticle is infested with lice; depositing their nits or eggs at the roots of the hair, accompanied with troublesome itching. See *Pediculus*.

**LOXA BARK.** The Pale Crown bark, the produce of the *Cinchona Condaminea*.

**LOXARTHROS** (*λοξός*, twisted, *ἄρθρον*, a joint). An obliquity of a joint, without spasm or luxation, as *varus*, *valgus*, &c.

**LOXIA** (*λοξός*, twisted). *Caput obsti-*

*pum*. Wry-neck: a distortion of the head towards one side.

**LOZENGES.** *Trochisci*. These are composed of fine powders, mixed with mucilage and sugar, (or adulterated with pipe-clay,) rolled into cakes, cut into shapes, and dried in a stove.

**LUES VENEREA.** Literally, the plague of Venus, or venereal disease. Syphilis; a disease also called *morbus Aphrodisius*, *morbus Gallicus*, *morbus Indicus*, *morbus Neapolitanus*, &c.

**LUGOL'S SOLUTION.** A liquid containing 20 grains of iodine, and 30 grains of iodide of potassium in one ounce of water.

**LUMBA'GO** (*lumbus*, the loins). A rheumatic affection of the muscles about the loins.

**LUMBI.** The loins; the inferior part of the back.

1. *Lumbar*. The designation of nerves, arteries, veins, &c., belonging to the region of the loins. Hence, also, the term *lumbo-abdominal*, or lumbar plexus; the *lumbo-sacral* nerves, and the *lumbo-dorsal* region.

2. *Lumbar Abscess*. Psoas abscess. A chronic collection of pus, which forms in the cellular substance of the loins, behind the peritonæum, and descends in the course of the psoas muscle.

**LUMBRICALES** (*lumbricus*, an earth-worm). The name of four muscles of the hand and foot; so called from their resemblance to the earth-worm.

**LUMBRICUS** (*lubricus*, slippery). The earth-worm. *Ascaris lumbricoïdes* is the long and round worm, found in the intestines.

*Lumbricus cucurbitinus*. The Gourd-worm of Dr. Heberden, so called from its joints, when broken, presenting the appearance of gourd-seeds.

**LUNA.** The Moon; the alchemical name of silver.

**LUNA CORNEA.** *Horn silver*. The chloride of silver, so named from its horn-like appearance and consistence.

**LUNA FIXATA.** Literally, *fixed moon*; the name given by the famous empiric Luddemann to the *cadmia* of Gaubius, a remedy formerly much used in clonic affections, and consisting of oxide, or the flowers of zinc.

**LUNAR CAUSTIC** (*luna*, the moon; the old alchemical name for silver). The *Argenti nitras*, or fused nitrate of silver.

[**LUNATE** (*luna*, the moon). *Crescentiform*, or semi-lunar.]

**LUNATIC** (*luna*, the moon). One





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M. This letter has the following significations in prescriptions:—

1. *Manipulus*, a handful; when herbs, flowers, chips, &c., are ordered.

2. *Misce*, mix; thus, *m. f. haust.* signifies, mix and let a draught be made.

3. *Mensurâ*, by measure.

MACE. A thin, flat, membranous substance which envelopes the nutmeg; it is an expansion of the funiculus, and is termed, in botany, an *arillus*.

MACERATION (*macero*, to make soft by steeping). The steeping of a body for some time in cold or warm water.

MACHAON. The name of an ancient physician, said to be a son of Æsculapius; hence, particular inventions have been dignified with his name, as *asclepias Machaonis*, a collyrium described by Scribonius; and medicine in general is sometimes called *ars Machaonia*.

MACIES (*maceo*, to be lean). Wasting, atrophy, or emaciation.

MACQUER'S SALT. Neutral, arsenical salt of Macquer; super-arseniate of potassa.

MACROCEPHALOUS (*μακρὸς*, large, *κεφαλῆ*, the head). Large-headed; a term applied by Richard to those Dicotyledonous embryos, in which the two cotyledons *cohere*, as in horse-chestnut. Gærtner terms these embryos *pseudo-monocotyledonous*.

*Macropodal* (*μακρὸς*, large, *ποῦς*, *ποδὸς*, a foot). Large-footed; a term applied by Richard to a modification of the monocotyledonous embryo, in which the radicle presents an unusual protuberance, as in wheat.

MACROCOSM (*μακρὸς*, large, *κόσμος*, world). Large world; a term employed as synonymous with *universe*; while *microcosm*, or little world, has been used by some philosophers as a designation of *man*.

MACULA. A spot. A small patch or speck of the cornea. See *Opacity*.

1. *Macula germinativa*. The germinal spot, or nucleus germinativus of Wagner; a spot found in the germinal vesicle of the ovum, consisting of one or more somewhat opaque corpuscles, and possibly the analogue of the nucleus of formative cells.

2. *Maculæ*. Spots; a permanent discoloration of the skin, generally the result

of an alteration of the natural texture of the part. *Maculæ* have been distinguished into *ephelis*, sun-burn or freckles; *nævus*, or mother-spots; *spilus*, or thickening and discoloration of the rete mucosum; and *moles*.

3. *Maculæ hepaticæ*. Hepatic spots; the term under which Sennertus described the *Pityriasis versicolor*, or variegated dandruff.

4. *Maculæ volaticæ*. Flying spots; a designation of the *Erythema fugax*, from its fugitive character.

[MADAR. See *Mudar*.]

MADAROSIS (*μαδάω*, to be bald). A defect or loss of the eyebrows or eyelashes.

MADDER. The root of the *Rubia Tinctorum*; used in dyeing the *Adriano*ple or *Turkey Red*, and other colours. It is distinguished, in commerce, according to its quality, by the terms *crop*, *ombro*, *gamene*, and *mull*, of which the first is the best. Two colourless acids have been noticed in madder, viz. the *madderic* and the *rubiatic acids*. See *Alizarine*.

MADREPORE. A species of coral; a zoophyte, consisting of carbonate of lime, and a little animal membranaceous substance.

MAGISTERY (*magister*, a master). A term formerly applied to almost all precipitates, supposed to be subtle and *masterly* preparations; but at present it is applied only to a few, as the *magistry of bismuth*, or the sub-nitrate.

*Magisterium Argenti*. The alchemical name of the nitras argenti, also called *crystalli Dianæ*; when fused, it was termed *lapis infernalis*.

MAGISTRAL (*magistralis*, masterly). A term applied to medicines which are prepared *extemporaneously*, and which were therefore considered as *masterly* preparations.

MAGMA (*μάσσομαι*, to knead dough). Literally, a kneaded or squeezed mass; dregs, or sediment; a kind of salve.

MAGNES ARSENICALIS. A corrosive preparation of equal parts of sulphur, white arsenic, and common antimony, mixed by fusion.

MAGNESIA (*magnes*, a magnet, or loadstone). An alkaline earth, having a metallic base called *magnesium*. The



term magnesia was originally employed to denote any substance which had the power of attracting some principle from the air; the peculiar body which we now denominate magnesia was first sold as a panacea, by a canon at Rome, in the beginning of the seventeenth century, under the title of Magnesia alba, or Count Palma's Powder.

1. *Magnesia usta*. The oxide of magnesium, prepared by calcining the artificial carbonate. It is sometimes called *talc earth* or *bitter earth*.

2. *Magnesia alba*. The carbonate of magnesia, prepared by precipitating a boiling solution of the sulphate by means of carbonate of potash. There are two kinds, the *heavy*, and the *light*, commonly called *Scotch magnesia*.

3. *Magnesia nigra*. The black oxide of *manganese* was long known by this name, from its fancied relation to magnesia alba.

4. *Magnesia water*. An aerated water prepared by impregnating the carbonate of magnesia, dissolved in water, with ten times its volume of carbonic acid gas, by means of a forcing-pump or soda-water apparatus.

5. *Magnesia sulphas*. Sulphate of magnesia; bitter purging salt; Epsom salt; formerly magnesia vitriolata, and sal catharticum amarum.

**MAGNESIUM**. A metal having the colour and lustre of silver. At a red heat it burns brilliantly, and forms magnesia.

[*Chloride of Magnesium*. This has lately been recommended as a saline aperient by M. Lebert. The dose is about an ounce.]

**MAGNET**. An iron ore, commonly called *loadstone*, which exhibits the remarkable property of attracting other kinds of iron or steel. Its name is derived from Magnesia, the place in which the ore, or *native magnet*, was originally found. It has since been discovered in many other localities.

1. The *magnet*, or *loadstone*, in powder, was formerly an ingredient of several plasters, and was supposed to possess the power of drawing bullets and arrow-heads out of the body, as in the *emplastrum divinum Nicolai*, the *emplastrum nigrum* of Augsburg, the *opodeldoc* and *attractivum* of Paracelsus, &c.

2. *Artificial magnet*. If a straight bar of hard-tempered steel, devoid of all perceptible magnetism, be held in a position slightly inclined to the perpendicular, the lower end deviating to the north (*i. e.*

with one end pointing about  $24\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  west of north, and downwards, so as to make an angle of  $72\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  with the horizon), and struck several smart blows with a hammer, it will be found to have acquired the properties of a magnet.

3. *Magnetic properties*. These are of four kinds:—1. polarity; 2. attraction of unmagnetic iron; 3. attraction and repulsion of magnetic iron; and, 4. the power of inducing magnetism in other iron.

4. *Magnetism*. The term which expresses the peculiar property, occasionally possessed by certain bodies, more especially by iron and some of its compounds, by which, under certain circumstances, they mutually attract or repel one another, according to determinate laws.

5. *Magnetic fluid*. The hypothetical agent, to which the phenomena of magnetism have been referred. Some have supposed two such fluids,—a *boreal*, or northern, and an *austral*, or southern.

6. *Magnetic magazine*. The name given to a kind of battery, formed of several magnets placed one over the other, with all their poles similarly disposed, and fastened firmly together.

7. *Magnetic plates*. Plates of magnetized steel, of various forms, for fitting any part of the body.

8. *Electro-magnetism*. The designation of the phenomena showing the connexion between electricity and magnetism.

9. *Animal magnetism*. A fanciful system introduced by Mesmer, from the supposed effects of the magnet upon the human body, and hence termed Mesmerism.

[**MAGNOLIA**. A genus of plants of the natural order Magnoliaceæ. The bark of three of the species, *M. glauca*, *M. acuminata*, and *M. tripetala*, are official in the U. S. Pharmacopœia. It is a mild aromatic tonic and diaphoretic, and has been given in chronic rheumatism, and in intermittent fever. The dose of the recently dried bark is from  $\mathfrak{z}\text{ss.}$  to  $\mathfrak{z}\text{j.}$ ]

**MAGNUS MORBUS**. The great disease; a term applied by Hippocrates to epilepsy.

**MAHOGANY**. The wood of the *Swietenia Mahagoni*, the bark of which is used in the West Indies as a substitute for Peruvian bark, but is inferior to it.

**MAJORANA HORTENSIS**. [*Origanum marjorana*, Willd.] Sweet Marjoram; a Labiate plant, cultivated in kitchen gardens, and employed for preparing the *cil* of sweet marjoram.



**MAL** (*malus*, evil). The French term for a malady or disease.

1. *Mal de la Rosa*. The name given by Thiery to scarlatina.

2. *Mal de Siam*. A name given in some parts of India to yellow fever.

3. *Mal del sole*. A name of the Italian Elephantiasis, from its being commonly ascribed to the heat of the sun's rays.

4. *Mal des ardens*. One of the designations of a fatal epidemic disease, which prevailed extensively in the early and dark ages, as the sequel of war and famine. It is placed by Sauvages under the head of Erysipelas pestilens; and by Sagar under the genus necrosis.

**MALA**. A term contracted from *maxilla*, as ala from axilla. In classic writers, *genæ* is properly the part of the face under the eyelids, while *mala* denotes the cheeks, the round and lively-red part of the face; also the jaw, the cheek-bone.

**MALACENCEPHALON** (*μαλακός*, soft, *ἐγκέφαλος*, the brain). A term applied by Dr. Craigie to simple diminished consistence of the brain, without change of structure.

**MALACHITE**. *Green Bice*. A beautiful native green carbonate of copper.

**MALACIA** (*μαλακία*, softness). *Pica*. Depraved appetite. The desire for one particular kind of food, and disgust for all other kinds. It may assume the form of mal d'estomac, or dirt-eating.

**MALACOSTEON** (*μαλακός*, soft, *ὀστέον*, a bone). *Mollities ossium*. Softness of the bones.

**MALACTINIA** (*μαλακός*, soft). The third class of the *Cyclo-neura* or Radiata, consisting of soft aquatic animals, emitting an acid secretion from their surface, which is capable of irritating and inflaming the human skin, like the stinging of a nettle; hence the name *acalephæ*, or nettles, has been commonly given to this class.

**MALAGMA** (*μαλάσσω*, to soften). A term synonymous with cataplasma, and so called from its softening property.

**MALAGUETTA PEPPER**. Seeds resembling, if not identical with, the grains of paradise, and referred to the *Amomum Grana Paradisi*. Roscoe, however, affirms that they are the produce of *A. melegueta*.

**MALAMBO BARK**. *Matias Bark*. The bark of a tree said to be procured from Colombia, and used as a substitute for cinchona.

**MALARIA** (*mala aria*, bad air, Ital.). A term generally employed to designate

certain effluvia or emanations from marshy ground. Hence the term *marsh-fever*, in Europe; *jungle-fever*, in India. The *malaria of Campagna* is the name of an endemic intermittent, arising from the *aria cattiva*, as it is called, exhaled from decaying vegetables in the neighbourhood of Rome, especially about the Pontine marshes.

**MALATES**. Neutral and acid salts formed by malic acid with alkaline and magnesian bases.

**MALFORMATION**. A deviation from the natural form of an organ. It is termed—

1. *Defective*, when an organ is entirely deficient, as the heart, &c., in acardiac cases.

2. *Irregular*, as in the misplacement, &c., of parts in the heart, constituting the *qualitative* malformations of Meckel.

3. *Superfluous*, when consisting of excessive developement of an organ, as in the case of supernumerary auricles, &c.

**MALIC ACID** (*μήλον*, Dor. *μᾶλον*, *malum*, an apple). An acid existing in apples, but generally prepared from the berries of the *Sorbus aucuparia*, or mountain ash. By dry distillation, it yields another acid, termed the *maleic*.

**MALICORIUM**. The rind or external coat of the pomegranate.

**MALIGNANT**. *Malignus*. A term applied to diseases in which the symptoms appear fatal, as in typhus, cholera, cynanche, &c.

[**MALINGERER**. A term applied to soldiers who feign disease.]

**MALIS** (*μάλις*). *Maliasmus*. A cutaneous disease, produced by parasitic worms, formerly called *dodders*. The different species of vermination are—

1. *Malis pediculi*, or lousiness.
2. *Malis pulicis*, or flea-bite.
3. *Malis acari*, or tick-bite.
4. *Malis filariæ*, or guinea-worm.
5. *Malis æstri*, or gadfly-bite.
6. *Malis gordii*, or hair-worm.

**MALLEABILITY** (*malleus*, a hammer). A property of some metals, by which they are beaten out in plates, or leaves, by a hammer. *Gold leaf*, for instance, is so thin, that less than five grains will cover a surface of  $272\frac{1}{2}$  square inches; and the thickness of each leaf does not exceed the  $\frac{1}{282020}$  part of an inch.

**MALLEATIO** (*malleus*, a hammer). A form of chorea, consisting in a convulsive action of one or both hands, which strike the knee like a hammer.

**MALLEOLAR** (*malleolus*, dim. of





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χειρὸς, a hand, πτερόν, a wing), or animals with winged hands, as the bat; and *insectivora*, or animals which feed on insects, as the hedgehog. They are also distinguished into the *plantigrada* (*planta*, the foot, *gradior*, to walk), or animals which walk on the soles of the feet; *digitigrada*, or such as walk on their *digits*, or toes; *amphibia* (*ἀμφὶ*, both, *βίος*, life), or animals which live indifferently, on land or in water, as the seal; and the *marsupialia* (*marsupium*, a pouch), or pouch-bearing animals, as the kangaroo and opossum.

4. *Rodentia* (*rodo*, to gnaw). Glires, or gnawing animals, as the beaver.

5. *Edentata* (*edentulus*, toothless). Animals without teeth, as the armadillo.

6. *Pachydermata* (*παχὺς*, thick, *δέρμα*, skin). Belluæ, or thick-skinned animals, as the elephant.

7. *Ruminantia* (*rumino*, to chew the cud). Pecora, or ruminating animals, as the deer.

8. *Cetacea* (*cete*, a whale). The Whale tribe; mammiferous animals destitute of hind feet, and having their trunk terminating in a horizontal tail.

**MAMMARY ABSCESS** (*mamma*, the breast). Another name for milk abscess.

**MAMMARY GLAND** (*mamma*, the breast). The gland placed beneath the adipose layer of the mamma.

**MAMMILLA** (dim. of *mamma*, a breast). Literally, a little breast. A term synonymous with *papilla*, as applied to the conical bodies of the kidneys, at the points where the urine escapes.

1. *Mammillary*. Having small rounded prominences, like teats; the name of an eminence of the inferior vermiform process of the cerebellum.

2. *Mammillares processus*. A name given by the ancients to the olfactory nerves, which they considered as emunctories, or canals, by which the serum and pituita, separated from the brain, flowed off.

**MANCHINEAL**. The *Hippomane mancinella*, a tree of such extremely poisonous properties, that persons have been said to die from merely sleeping beneath its shade; the juice is used to poison weapons: Order *Euphorbiaceæ*.

**MANDIBULUM** (*mando*, to chew). *Maxilla inferior*. A mandible or lower jaw. In insects, the upper jaw is termed mandible; the lower jaw, maxilla.

*Mandibulo-labialis*. The inferior dental branch of the inferior maxillary nerve.

**MANDRAGORA OFFICINALIS**. The Mandrake, a plant of the order *So-*

*lanaceæ*, the root of which, from its fancied resemblance to the human form, has been termed *anthropomorphon* (*ἄνθρωπος*, man, *μορφή*, form), and supposed to prevent barrenness. The root of *Bryonia dioica* is somewhat similar in form, and is sold for mandrake. The fruit of *Mandragora* has been termed *malum caninum*, or dog-apple.

**MANDUCATION** (*manduco*, to eat). The act of eating.

**MANGANESE**. A grayish-white metal, found in the ashes of plants, the bones of animals, and in many minerals. It was named by Gahn *magnesium*, a term which has since been applied to the metallic base of magnesia. The binocide, used in chemistry, is commonly termed *native black* or *peroxide* of manganese.

[*Sulphate of Manganese*. A neutral salt, which possesses cathartic properties, in the dose, according to Dr. Thomson, of from half an ounce to an ounce; but Mr. Ure says that he would be reluctant to give it to that extent, and has always found a much smaller quantity, one drachm, suffice. It should be given dissolved in a considerable quantity of water. It is said, at first to excite the action of the liver, but, if its use be long continued, to subsequently suppress the secretion of bile. Dr. Goolden states that it rarely acts as a purgative alone, and that when taken on an empty stomach, in the dose of one or two drachms, it invariably produces vomiting, but that this emetic action is seldom induced after the first dose.]

**MANGEL WURZEL**. Field-beet; a mongrel plant, between the red and white beet. It is used as food for cattle; also in distillation, and in the extraction of sugar.

**MANIA** (*μαίνομαι*, to be mad). Insanity; disordered intellect. In the works of Sauvages, and other writers, we find the terms *vesaniæ*, or *hallucinationes*, denoting erroneous impressions of the understanding; *morositates*, or *morbipathetici*, consisting of depraved appetites, and other morbid changes in the feelings and propensities.

1. *Mono-mania* (*μόνος*, alone). Insanity upon one particular subject, the faculties being unaffected upon every other.

2. *Dæmono-mania* (*δαίμων*, a dæmon). Insanity in which the patient supposes himself to be possessed by dæmons.

3. *Eroto-mania* (*ἔρως*, love). Insanity occasioned by excessive affection.

4. *Dementia*. Incoherent or chaotic madness; the first period of fatuity.

5. *Amentia*. The last stage of fatuity;



an almost total obliteration of the faculties.

6. *Nosto-mania* (*νόστος*, a return). Home-madness; an aggravated form of nostalgia.

MANIAC (*μανία*, madness). A madman; one attacked by mania.

MANIPULATION (*manipulus*, a handful). The mode of handling utensils, materials, &c., in experimental philosophy; the performance of experiments.

MANIPULUS (contr. *manipulus*—quod manum impleat, because it fills the hand). Properly, a sheaf. A handful, as of herbs, flowers, chips, &c.

MANNA (a term derived from a Chaldaic root, signifying *what is it?*). The concrete juice of the *Ornus Europæa*, and the *Eucalyptus mannifera* of New South Wales.

1. *Manna cannulata*. Flake manna, the best variety, occurring in a stalactitic form.

2. *Sicilian Tofa manna*. An inferior variety, corresponding with *manna* in sorts of some writers. The commonest kind is called *Sicilian manna*; and appears to be, according to Dr. Pereira, what is sometimes called *common* or *fatty manna*.

3. *Manna of the larch*. *Manna de Briançon*; a saccharine exudation from the *Pinus larix*.

4. *Manna sugar*, or *mannite*. The sweet principle of manna, and one of the products of the viscous fermentation of cane and grape sugar. It is identical with *grenadin*.

MANUBRIUM (*manu habere*, to hold in the hand). A haft or handle; the upper bone of the sternum.

MANULUVIUM (*manus*, a hand, *lavo*, to wash). A hand-bath.

MANURES. Animal or vegetable matters deposited in the soil to accelerate vegetation and increase the production of crops. The principal manures are rape-cake, sea-weeds, bones, fish, night-soil, soot, &c.

MARANTA ARUNDINACEA. The Arrow-root plant, so called from its reputed property of counteracting the effects of poisoned arrows. The tubers yield the *fecula marantæ*, or the West Indian Arrow-root of commerce.

MARASMUS (*μαραίνω*, to wither). Emaciation; a wasting of the body; formerly a generic term for atrophy, tabes, and phthisis.

MARCET'S BLOWPIPE. An apparatus for increasing temperature, by urging the flame of an alcohol lamp by a blowpipe supplied with oxygen gas.

MARCOR (*marceo*, to droop). A term employed by Celsus for drowsiness. In Cullen's nosology, the *Marcores* constitute the first order of *Cachexiæ*, denoting emaciations, or wasting of the whole body, as tabes and atrophia.

[MARESCENT (*mareo*, to wither). Withering. In botany, applied to flowers which fade some time before they fall off.]

MARGARIC ACID (*μαργαρίς*, a pearl). An acid obtained from human fat and vegetable fixed oils, and also produced by the dry distillation of ox and mutton suet, and of stearic acid. Its name is derived from its *pearly* lustre.

1. *Margarine*. Margarate of glyceryl; a principle discovered in spermaceti.

2. *Margarone*. A pearly substance obtained by dry distillation of margaric acid.

MARGINALIS (*margo*, a margin). *Angularis*. A designation of the shoot of the cervico-facialis, or inferior facial branch of the seventh pair of nerves.

MARINE ACID (*mare*, the sea). *Spirit of salt*. Muriatic or hydrochloric acid, procured from common salt by distilling it with sulphuric acid and water over a water-bath.

MARLY CLAY. A variety of clay, used in making pale bricks, and as a manure.

MARMARYGE (*μαρμαρυγή*, dazzling light, *Hipp.*). *Visus lucidus*; *photopsia*. A disease of the eyes, in which sparks and flashes of fire seem to present themselves. Homer applies the term to the rapid motion of the feet in dancing,—*μαρμαρυγαὶ ποδῶν*.

MARMOR ALBUM. White marble; an indurated carbonate of lime.

*Marmor metallicum*. Metallic marble; the native sulphate of barytes.

MARROW. *Medulla*. The animal fat found in the cavities of long bones.

MARRUBIUM VULGARE. White Horehound; a Labiate plant, employed for making *horehound tea*, &c.

MARS. *Martis*. The god of war. The mythological and alchemical name of iron. Hence the salts of iron were called *martial salts*; the protoxide, *martial ethiops*; the sulphuret, *martial pyrites*.

MARSH'S APPARATUS. An instrument for detecting the presence of arsenious acid in solution.

[MARSH MALLOW. See *Althæa Officinalis*.]

MARSUPIUM. A purse or pouch. A dark-coloured membrane found in the vitreous humour of the eye of birds.



1. *Marsupialia*. Animals possessing abdominal pouches, as the opossum.

2. *Marsupialis*. Another name of the bursalis muscle, or obturator internus.

**MARTIAL** (*mars*, iron). An old mythological designation of several preparations of iron. See *Mars*.

**MARTIN'S CANCER POWDER**. A famous cancer powder [formerly], known by this name in North America, and supposed to be prepared from the *Orobanche Virginiana*, in combination with white oxide of arsenic.

**MARUM SYRIACUM**. *Teucrium marum*. Syrian Herb Mastich; a bitter aromatic plant, smelling like ammonia, and used as an errhine. It has lately been asserted to be excellent in nasal polypus.—*Quart. Journ. of For. Med.*

**MASS** (*μάσσομαι*, to knead together). A term synonymous with *quantity*; thus, the mass of a body is the quantity of matter it contains. Also a term generally applied to the compound of which pills are formed.

**MASSA CARNEA**, Jacobi Sylvii, or *Plantæ Pedis*. The *flexor accessorius* muscle, which lies in the sole of the foot. It is a small mass of flesh, connected with the flexor longus.

**MASSETER** (*μασσάομαι*, to chew). A muscle which assists in chewing. Hence the term *masseteric*, as applied to a branch of the inferior maxillary nerve.

**MASSICOT**. Yellow oxide, or protoxide of lead. When partially fused by heat, it is called *litharge*.

[**MASTICATION** (*mastico*, to chew). Chewing. The act of comminuting food and impregnating it with saliva. It is the first step in the process of digestion, and unless thoroughly performed, all the subsequent stages of that process are rendered difficult, and are imperfectly accomplished.]

**MASTICATORIES** (*mastico*, to chew). Acrid sialogogues; substances which, on being masticated, stimulate the excretory ducts, and increase the secretion of saliva.

**MASTIC**. A resinous substance produced by the *Pistacia lentiscus*; used in fumigations, in making varnishes, &c.

1. *Mastic water*. A remedy employed by the Albanian physicians in infantile diarrhoea; it is simply water which has been boiled along with mastic.

2. *Masticin*. A substance which remains on dissolving mastic in alcohol.

**MASTODYNIA** (*μαστός*, the breast, *δύνη*, pain). Pain of the breasts in

women, commonly a form of hysteria, or an attendant on lactation.

**MASTOID** (*μαστός*, a breast, *εἶδος*, likeness). Shaped like the breast or nipple; as applied to a *process*, and a *foramen* of the temporal bone. The *stylo-mastoid* foramen is situated between the root of the styloid and mastoid processes.

*Mastoideus*. A muscle of the fore part of the neck, the origin and insertion of which are shortly described in its synonym, *sterno-cleido-mastoideus*.

[**MASTURBATION** (*mastupratio*, or *manustupratio*, from *manus*, a hand, *stupro*, to commit adultery). The excitation of the genital organs by rubbing and titillating them with the hand; a horrid vice, productive of the most serious disturbance of the nervous system, and derangement of health.]

**MATER ACETI**. Mother of Vinegar; a mould-plant, belonging to the genus *mycoderma*, which is developed in vinegar, and forms thereon a thick leather-like coat, similar to the inflammatory crust which covers the crassamentum of blood drawn from rheumatic patients.

**MATERIA MEDICA**. That branch of medical science which relates to medicines. Medicinal agents are—

1. *Natural*, or those which are found ready-prepared by nature: these are simple and compound substances, organic and inorganic; the former belonging to the animal and vegetable kingdoms; the latter to the mineral.

2. *Artificial*, or those which have been modified, either by addition or subtraction of some of their parts; these are called pharmaceutical preparations, and belong to the department of chemistry.

**MATICO**. The native name of the *Piper angustifolium*, a Peruvian plant, recently introduced into use as a styptic. See *Piper*.

**MATLOCK**. A village in Derbyshire, affording a spring of saline water.

**MATRASS**. A cucurbit or vessel of glass, earthenware, or metal, usually of a globular shape, and open at the top, for the purposes of digestion, evaporation, &c. See *Alembic*.

**MATRES**. Mothers; a name formerly given to the membranes of the brain—the *dura* and *pia mater*, from the fanciful idea that they were the origins of all the other membranes of the body.

**MATRICARIA** (*matrix*, the uterus). Medicines for disorders of the uterus.

[**MATRICARIA CHAMOMILLA**. German Chamomile. An European plant,





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dies against cold, but no medicament. *Medicamentum* is the remedy that is made use of, and *remedium* the healing remedy. *Medicamenta cruda* are unprepared medicines or simples.

**MEDICINA** (μῆδος, care). Medicine; a term applied both to the art of physic, and to the remedy itself.

1. *Forensic medicine*. Medical jurisprudence; the application of medical knowledge to the preservation of the human species and to the exercise of justice.

2. *Veterinary medicine*. The application of medical knowledge to the treatment of the lower animals.

**MEDITULLIUM** (ex *medium* et *tullium*, productio voeis). The very middle; a term synonymous with *diplœe*, or the cellular tissue of the bones of the skull.

**MEDIUS**. Middle; equally distant from both extremities. Hence—

1. *Mediana vena*. The middle vein of the arm, situated between the basilic and cephalic veins.

2. *Median nerve*. The largest nerve of the brachial plexus.

3. *Median line*. The vertical line which divides the body into two equal parts.

**MEDULLA**. Marrow; a kind of fixed oil, occupying the cavities of bones. In botany, the pith of plants.

1. *Medulla oblongata*. The upper enlarged portion of the spinal cord, extending from the cerebral protuberance to the great occipital foramen.

2. *Medulla spinalis*. The spinal marrow or cord, extending from the great occipital foramen, to the second lumbar vertebra. It finally separates into the *cauda equina*, or horse's tail.

3. *Medullary*. The designation of the white substance of the brain, contained within the cortical or cineritious substance. In botany, it is applied to radii proceeding from the medulla to the bark, in exogenous plants.

**MEDULLIN** (*medulla*, pith). The name given by Dr. John to the porous pith of the sun-flower.

**MEDUSA**. A genus of the *Acalephæ*, or sea-nettles: on being touched, they induce redness and a tingling sensation; they are also supposed to occasion, in certain latitudes, the phosphorescent appearance of the sea.

**MEERSCHAUM**. A silicate of magnesia; a greasy, soapy substance, occurring in Cornwall. In Turkey and in Germany it is made into tobacco-pipes. It is also called *keffekil*, or earth of Kaffa; and *écume de mer*, or sea-foam.

**MEGRIM**. This term is probably a corruption from the Greek compound word *hemicrania*, through the French word *migraine*.

**MEIBOMIAN GLANDS**. *Ciliary follicles*. Small glands, first described by Meibomius, lying under the inner membrane of the eyelids. About twenty or thirty ducts of these glands open upon the tarsus of each eyelid.

**MEL**. Honey; a substance secreted by the nectariferous glands of flowers, and collected by the working bee, which transports it in its crop or *honey-bag* to the hive. See *Honey*.

**MELÆNA** (μέλαινα νόσος, *morbis niger*; the *black disease*; hence the name of the *black jaundice*). A term adopted by Sauvages from the writings of Hippocrates, to denote the occurrence of dark-coloured, grumous, and pitchy evacuations, generally accompanied by sanguineous vomiting. The adjective is here used singly, the substantive being understood. By Hoffmann the disease is called *secessus niger*.

**MELALEUCA MINOR**. [*M. cajuputi* Rumphius.] The Lesser Melaleuca, a Myrtaceous plant, yielding *cajuput oil*.

**MELAM**. A substance formed by distilling dry hydro-sulpho-cyanate of ammonia. On boiling melam with hydro-chloric acid, a crystalline substance is generated, called *melamine*.

**MELAMPODIUM**. A name given by the Greeks to the Black Hellebore, from Melampus, who is said to have cured the daughters of Prætus, king of Argos, of melancholy, with this plant.

**MELAMPYRIN**. A substance obtained from the *Melampyrum nemorosum*. It appears to be somewhat analogous to gum and sugar.

**MELANÆMA** (μέλαν αίμα, black blood). The name given by Dr. Goodwin to asphyxia, from the colour of the blood in that affection; he distinguishes the disease into *melanæma*, from hanging; from drowning; and from inspiration of fixed air.

**MELANCHOLIA** (μέλαινα χολή, black bile, or choler). Melancholy; mental dejection. The varieties are the gloomy, or *attonita*; the restless, or *errabunda*; the mischievous, or *malevolens*; and the self-complacent, or *complacens*.

**MELANIC ACID** (μέλας, μέλανος, black). The name given to a principle discovered by Dr. Marcet, in a specimen of *black urine*. Dr. Prout says it is apparently connected with lithic acid.

**MELANO'MA** (μέλας, μέλανος, black).



This term implies more than the *melanosis* of Laennec; for, whereas the latter denotes a morbid product, *sui generis*, the former is employed by Dr. Carswell to signify all "black discolourations or products," which he separates into two groups, the *true* and the *spurious*.

**MELANO'SIS** (*μέλας, μέλανος*, black). A morbid product of a dark brown or black colour, first described by Laennec, in 1806, under the forms of masses enclosed in cysts; masses without cysts; infiltration in the tissue of organs, and deposition on the surface of organs, a *liquid* form of melanosis.

**MELANTHACEÆ.** The Colchicum tribe of monocotyledonous plants. Herbs with a *rhizome*, sometimes fleshy; *leaves* sheathing at the base; *flowers* hexapetaloidous, tubular; *stamens* 6; *ovarium* 3-celled; *seeds* albuminous.

**MELAS** (*μέλας*, black). A term applied by the ancients to a superficial affection, resembling the *alphos*, except in its colour; it is synonymous with the *lepra nigricans*, or black lepra.

**MELASMA** (*μέλας*, black). The name given by writers to the *ecthyma luridum*, or lurid papulous scall.

**MELASSES** (*mel*, honey). The uncrystallizable part of the juice of the sugar-cane, separated from the sugar during its manufacture—a sort of mother-water of raw sugar. That which is imported into England, is principally converted into a coarse, soft sugar, called *bastards*.

**MELASSIC ACID** (*μέλι*, honey). An acid produced by the simultaneous action of alkalies and heat upon grape sugar.

**MELIACEÆ.** The Bead-tree tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* symmetrical; *calyx* imbricated; *stamens* hypogynous; *ovarium* of several cells; *seeds* definite, apterous.

[*Melia Azedarach*. Azedarach, Ph. U. S. Pride of India. Pride of China. A plant of the natural order Meliaceæ. The bark is cathartic and emetic, and in large doses is said to be narcotic. It is esteemed in the Southern States as a very efficient anthelmintic. It is given in the form of decoction, made by boiling four ounces of the fresh bark in a quart of water, down to a pint. The dose for a child is a tablespoonful every two or three hours until it affects the stomach—or it may be given morning and evening for several days and then followed by an active cathartic.]

**MELICERIS** (*μέλι*, honey, *κηρός*, wax).

A tumour of the encysted kind, filled with a substance resembling wax, or honey, in consistence.

**MELILOTUS.** A Leguminous plant, said by Vogel to owe its odoriferous principle to benzoic acid; others refer it to coumarine, the aromatic principle of the Tonka bean.

**MELISSA OFFICINAIS** (*μέλισσα*, a bee). The Common Balm, or Balm Mint; a Labiate plant, sometimes used for making *balm tea*.

**MELLATE.** A salt formed by combination of mellitic acid with a salifiable base.

[**MELLITA.** Preparations of honey. Oxymels.]

**MELLITIC ACID** (*mel*, honey). An acid discovered in the *mellite* or honey-stone, or mellitate of alumina.

**MELLON.** A salt-radical, consisting of carbon and nitrogen.

**MELOE.** A genus of insects. The *meloe vesicatoria* was the former name of the *cantharis*, or blistering beetle.

[**MELOPLASTIC** (*μελον*, the cheek, *πλασσω*, to form). The operation for forming a new cheek].

**MELTING POINT.** That point of the thermometer at which a solid becomes fluid. Thus ice melts at 32°, sulphur at 218°, gold at 5237° Fahr.

**MEMBRANA.** This term formerly denoted the skin of animals, dressed like our parchment or vellum to write upon. In anatomy it signifies sometimes a bag for containing fluids, sometimes a thin substance lining a cavity. The membranes of the body are the—

1. *Mucous membranes*, investing the sides of cavities which communicate with the external air; they are divided into the *mucous membranes* properly so called, and the *skin*.

2. *Serous membranes*, lining cavities which are not externally open; they are divided into the *splanchnic serous membranes*, and the *synovial membranes*.

3. *Fibrous membranes*, of various forms, constituting capsules, sheaths, aponeuroses, &c.; by their combination with the two preceding kinds of membrane, they constitute the *fibro-serous* and *fibro-mucous* membranes.

4. *Membrana dentata.* A process of the pia mater sent off from either side of the cord, and forming a *serration* between each of the nerves.

5. *Membrane, investing.* The first layer of cells which assumes a distinctly membranous form upon the surface of the cicatricula of the ovum, hitherto called



the serous layer of the germinal membrane.

6. *Membrane, false*. This is the result of inflammation, and is formed by the coagulation of the fibrinous fluid or lymph poured out on membranes which have a free surface.

7. *Membrana media*. The name given by the earlier writers to that part of the allantois which lies in contact with the amnion, and which contains but few vessels; it is the *endochorion* of Dutrochet.

8. *Membrana capsulo-pupillaris*. A vascular membrane extending backwards from the pupillar margin of the iris in the fœtus of the mammalia and of man, and connecting the margin of the capsule of the lens with the margin of the iris.

9. *Membrana vitellina*. The vitelline membrane, lying within the ovicapsule, and surrounding the yolk of the ovum.

10. *Membranæ reunientes*. A term recently applied by Rathke to certain parts of the embryo of all the vertebrate classes. To the very thin membranous part of the abdominal walls in the embryo, he gives the name of *membrana reuniens inferior*, and to the corresponding part in the dorsal region the name of *membrana reuniens superior*; while he reserves the terms *laminæ abdominales* and *laminæ dorsales* for the thicker parts of the abdominal and dorsal regions of the embryo, which, advancing from each side, at length meet above and below in the middle line. When these thicker laminæ have thus united and enclosed the cavities to which they belong, the membranæ reunientes have lost their office.

11. *Membrana germinativa*. The germinal membrane, the earliest development of the germ in fishes and the amphibia, in the form of a thin stratum of yolk of definite extent; it gradually extends itself over the whole surface of the yolk, so as to assume the form of a vesicle including the mass of yolk.

12. *Membrana decidua*. The deciduous membrane, which is developed upon the inner surface of the uterus, before the ovum reaches that organ. It consists of a whitish, gray, moist, and soft mass, similar to coagulated fibrin, and entirely formed of nucleated cells.—See *Decidua*.

13. *Membrana corticalis*. The external transparent coat of the ovum of mammalia, before the formation of the embryo, as observed by Von Baer.

14. *Membrana versicolor*. The name of a brilliant and variously coloured

membrane which forms part of the choroid in many animals. Mr. Dalrymple denies that any such membrane exists in the human eye.

15. *Membrana intermedia*. A term applied to the membrane which, in the ovum of the bird, lies between the rudimentary nervous centres and the mucous layer of the germinal membrane.

16. *Membrana semilunaris*. The name given to the conjunctiva at that part of its course where it is posterior to the caruncula, and a little external to it. This *membrana semilunaris* has been supposed to be the rudiment of the *membrana nictitans*, or the third eyelid of the lower animals.

17. *Membrana Jacobi*. The external membrane or layer of the retina.

18. *Membrana sacciformis*. A synovial membrane, which forms a duplication between the radius and the ulna.

19. *Membrana pigmenti*. The internal layer of the choroid membrane, which retains the pigmentum nigrum in its place.

20. *Membrana nictitans* (*nicto*, to wink). A membrane with which birds and reptiles can occasionally cover their eyes. This term has been erroneously applied to a loose crescentiform fold of the conjunctiva at the inner angle of the eye, which has neither the office nor the muscular apparatus of the nictitating membrane.

21. *Membrana pupillaris* (*pupilla*, the pupil of the eye). A membrane extended across the pupil of the fœtus. It disappears at about the seventh month.

22. *Membrana tympani*. A membrane extended over the circular opening at the bottom of the meatus auditorius.

23. *Membrana pituitaria*, or *Schneiderian*. The membrane which lines the cavities of the nose.

MEMBRANACEOUS (*membrana*, a membrane). Resembling membrane. This term must be distinguished from *membranous*, which denotes that the substance consists of membrane.

[MEMBRANES. By the term "the membranes" is understood, in obstetrical writings, the three membranes which envelope the fœtus, viz. the decidua, the chorion, and the amnion.]

MEMBRUM (*μεῖρω*, to divide). A member or limb; an external part of the body, distinguished from all the rest by some particular use, as *membrum virile*, the penis, &c. It is not said of the head.

MENACHANITE. A substance found





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the Eczema rubrum, arising from the irritation of mercury; hence, it has been called eczema mercuriale; erythema mercuriale; hydrargyria; and mercurial lepra.

**MERCURY.** A metal differing from all others in being always fluid, unless subjected to a temperature of  $-39^{\circ}$ , when it becomes solid. Some of its names suggest its silvery appearance and liquid form, as *hydrargyrum*, or silver-water; others, its mobility and liquidity, as well as its resemblance to silver, as *argentum vivum*, *aqua argentea*, *aqua metallorum*, and *quicksilver*. Its volatility has also gained for it the name of that locomotive personage, the messenger of the gods.

*Ores of Mercury.*

1. *Native or Virgin Mercury.* The pure metal, found in the form of globules, in cavities of the other ores of this metal.

2. *Native Amalgam.* An ore consisting of mercury combined with silver.

3. *Native Cinnabar.* Native vermilion, or the bisulphuret of mercury; the ore which yields the mercury of commerce.

4. *Corneous Mercury.* Mercurial horn ore, or the proto-chloride of mercury.

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5. *Mercury and chalk.* Hydrargyrum cum cretâ; a compound of three parts of mercury and five of chalk, also called mercurius alkalisatus, or æthiops absorbens. [A mild laxative and alterative.]

6. *Mercurial Pills.* Pilulæ hydrargyri, or *blue pill*; a mass consisting of mercury rubbed with confection of red roses until the globules can no longer be seen, and then blended with liquorice powder. Three grains contain one grain of mercury.

7. *Mercurial Ointment.* Unguentum hydrargyri, formerly termed *Blue* or *Napolitan Ointment*; consisting of mercury rubbed with suet and lard until the globules can no longer be seen.

8. *Gray or black oxide.* Hydrargyri oxidum, sometimes called the protoxide, and sub-oxide; used externally, and for making *black wash*.

9. *Red oxide.* Hydrargyri binoxidum, formerly called *red precipitate per se*, calcined mercury, and by Geber, coagulated mercury.

10. *Red precipitate.* [Hydrargyri oxidum rubrum, Ph. U. S.] Hydrargyri nitrico-oxydum, commonly called *red precipitated mercury*; used externally.

11. *Calomel.* Hydrargyri chloridum [mite, Ph. U. S.], formerly called the sub-

muriate, or mild muriate, of mercury, [and sweet precipitate].

12. *Corrosive sublimate.* Hydrargyri bichloridum, [hydrargyri chloridum corrosivum, Ph. U. S.] formerly called oxy-muriate, or corrosive muriate of mercury.

13. *White precipitate.* Hydrargyri ammonio-chloridum, [Hydrargyri ammoniatum, Ph. U. S.] sometimes called *Lemery's white precipitate*, and *cosmetic mercury*.

[*Iodide of Mercury.* Hydrargyri iodidum. Given in scrofula and syphilis. The dose is a grain daily, gradually increased to three or four.]

14. *Red iodide.* Hydrargyri biniodidum, [Hydrargyri iodidum rubrum, Ph. U. S.]; also called the deutiodide or periodide of mercury. [Used in scrofula and syphilis. The dose is the sixteenth of a grain, in pill, gradually increased to a fourth of a grain.]

15. *Red sulphuret.* Hydrargyri sulphuretum, rubrum, cinnabar, or, formerly, *minium*; reduced to powder, it is *vermilion*.

16. *Æthiops mineral.* The common name of the hydrargyri sulphuretum nigrum.

17. *Prussian mercury.* Hydrargyri bicyanidum, [Hydrargyri cyanuretum, Ph. U. S.] also called *prussiate*, *hydrocyanate*, and *cyanuret of mercury*. [Occasionally used as an antisyphilitic remedy; the dose is from a sixteenth to an eighth of a grain.]

18. *Citrine Ointment.* Unguentum hydrargyri nitratis, also called *yellow ointment*, and *mercurial balsam*.

19. *Turpeth mineral.* Hydrargyri sulphas flavus, a compound which resembles in colour the root of the *Ipomœa turpethum*. [An alterative and powerful emetic and errhine. The dose, as an alterative, is from a quarter to half a grain; as an emetic, from two to five grains.]

20. *Hahnemann's soluble mercury.* A velvety black precipitate, formed by adding very dilute ammonia to the soluble nitrates of mercury, without neutralizing the whole acid.

[21. *Acetate of Mercury.* Hydrargyri acetas. Used as an antisyphilitic, in the dose of one grain, in pill, twice a day; and also in solution, as an external application to cutaneous eruptions.]

**MERICARP** (μέρος, a part, καρπός, fruit). The botanical designation of a half of the fruit of Umbelliferous plants. What are called *carraway seeds* are, in fact, *fruits*, each consisting of two achenia, or *meri-*



*carps*, placed face to face, and separating from a central axis. The two together are called *cremocarp* (κρεμάω, to suspend), from their being suspended from the common central axis.

**MEROCELE** (μηρός, the thigh, κήλη, a tumour). Femoral or crural hernia.

**MERORGANIZATION** (μέρος, a part). Organization *in part*; a modification of the general principles of organization.—*Prout*.

**MERUS**. Mere, pure; unmixed, as *merum vinum*, neat wine, &c. Hence, when *merum* is said of wine, *vinum* is understood,—“*curare genium mero*;” hence also “*merobibus*,” one who drinks wine without water.

[**MESEMBRYANTHEMUM CRYSTALLINUM**. Ice plant. A native of the south of Europe; the expressed juice of it is considered demulcent and diuretic, and has been given in diseases of the mucous membranes of the pulmonary and urinary organs, and in dropsy.]

**MESITE**. A liquid existing in pyroxylic spirit, and produced in the distillation of wood. *Mesiten* is a similar product of the same process.

**MESITYLENE**. A light oily liquid, produced by distilling pyro-acetic spirit (acetone) with fuming sulphuric acid.

**MESMERISM**. Animal magnetism, a system introduced by Mesmer.

**MESOS** (μέσος). *Medius*. The Greek term for *middle*, or *mediate*, or that which is situated *between* others.

1. *Mes-araic* (ἀραιά, the small intestines). A term synonymous with *mesenteric*.

2. *Mes-entery* (ἔντερα, the bowels). The membrane which connects the small intestines and the posterior wall of the abdomen.

3. *Mes-enteritis*. Inflammation of the mesentery.

4. *Meso-carp* (καρπός, fruit). The intermediate part of the pericarp of fruits; when fleshy, it is called *sarcocarp*.

5. *Meso-cephalon* (κεφαλή, the head). The name given by Chaussier to the pons Varolii.

6. *Meso-cæcum*. That part of the peritonæum which embraces the cæcum and its appendix.

7. *Meso-colon* (κῶλον, the colon). That part of the mesentery which connects the transverse colon and the posterior wall of the abdomen.

8. *Meso-gastrium* (γαστήρ, the stomach). A kind of suspensory band of the stomach, observed in the earliest stage of

embryonic life, which at a later period is converted into a sac, the great omentum.

9. *Meso-lobe*. Chaussier's designation of the corpus callosum, or the maxima commissura cerebri of Soemmering.

10. *Meso-phlæum* (φλοιός, bark). That portion of the bark of plants which lies between the epiphlæum and the endophlæum or liber.

11. *Meso-phyllum* (φύλλον, a leaf). The cellular substance of the leaves of plants; also called diachyma and diploe.

12. *Meso-rectum*. That part of the peritonæum which connects the rectum with the front of the sacrum.

13. *Meso-sperm* (σπέρμα, seed). The middle one of the three membranes by which seeds are sometimes enveloped.

14. *Meso-thorax* (θώραξ, the chest). That part of the chest in insects which gives origin to the second pair of legs, &c.

**META** (μετά, prep.). After; with; in composition this preposition denotes *change*, *transference*, &c.

1. *Met-acetone*. A combustible liquid, obtained, mixed with acetone, in distilling sugar with quicklime.

2. *Met-aldehyde*. A product of the condensation of the elements of aldehyde.

3. *Meta-carpus* (καρπός, the wrist). That part of the hand which is situated between the carpus and the fingers.

4. *Meta-meric* (μέρος, a part). A term applied to compounds in which the ultimate elements are the same as in other well-known combinations, but are considered to be arranged in a different way: thus, oxygen, hydrogen, sulphur, and a metal, may be considered as combined in the form of sulphuretted hydrogen and a metallic oxide, or of water (consisting of oxygen and hydrogen) and a metallic sulphuret. See *Isomeric* and *Polymeric*.

5. *Meta-morphopsia* (μεταμόρφωσις, a change of form, ὄψις, vision). A species of amaurosis, in which objects appear confused or distorted.

6. *Meta-morphosis* (μορφή, form). Literally, a change of form. A term applied by Liebig to those chemical actions in which a given compound is caused, by the presence of a peculiar substance, to resolve itself into two or more compounds; as sugar, by the presence of yeast, into alcohol and carbonic acid.

7. *Meta-stasis* (μεθίστημι, to transfer). Literally, a removal from one place to another. Generally, the supervention of an affection of a new organ, on the subsidence of a similar disorder of a limb



or organ primarily affected; as the cessation of rheumatism, followed by pericarditis, &c.

8. *Meta-tarsus* (ταρσός, the tarsus). That part of the foot which is situated between the tarsus and the toes.

9. *Meta-thorax* (θώραξ, the chest). The third and last segment of the thorax, in insects.

**METALS** (μέταλλα). A class of compact, heavy, opaque bodies, distinguished, in different degrees, by the following general properties:—

1. *Malleability*, by which they admit of being hammered out into thin plates or leaves. Gold is the most malleable of all the metals. When a metal admits of being extended by the rolling-press, it is called *laminable*.

2. *Ductility*, by which they admit of being drawn out into wire. All the malleable metals possess this property.

3. *Fusibility*, or the capacity of being melted by heat. The *point of fusion* varies considerably in the different metals, though they are all solid, except mercury, at common temperatures.

4. *Tenacity*, by which they are capable of supporting considerable weight without breaking.

5. *Elasticity* and hardness; properties which adapt them for exciting sound.

6. *Crystalline texture*; thus, iron is fibrous; zinc, lamellated; steel, granular; others are procured in crystals, as gold, silver, &c.; when they crystallize, they always assume the figure of a cube, the regular octohedron, or some form allied to it.

I. *Table of the Metals.*

The Metals are here arranged according to the order in which they have been discovered, with the names of the persons who discovered, or first described them.

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|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Gold . . .        | } Known to the ancients. Gold and silver are termed <i>noble metals</i> ; the former of these was considered as the metallic element; the rest were called <i>base metals</i> . |
| 2. Silver . .        |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 3. Iron . . .        |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 4. Copper . .        |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 5. Mercury . .       |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6. Lead . . .        |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 7. Tin . . . .       |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 8. Antimony . . .    | B. Valentine, 15th cent.                                                                                                                                                        |
| 9. Zinc . . . . .    | Agricola . . . 1520.                                                                                                                                                            |
| 10. Bismuth . . . .  | Paracelsus . . 16th cent.                                                                                                                                                       |
| 11. Arsenic . . . .  | } Brandt . . . . 1733.                                                                                                                                                          |
| 12. Cobalt . . . .   |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 13. Platinum . . .   | Wood . . . . . 1741.                                                                                                                                                            |
| 14. Nickel . . . . . | Cronstedt . . 1751.                                                                                                                                                             |
| 15. Manganese . .    | Scheele, &c. 1774.                                                                                                                                                              |
| 16. Tungsten . . .   | D'Elhuyart, 1781.                                                                                                                                                               |
| 17. Tellurium . .    | Müller . . . . 1782.                                                                                                                                                            |

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| 18. Molybdenum, Hielm . . . . .         | 1782.                  |
| 19. Uranium . . . Klaproth . . . . .    | 1789.                  |
| 20. Titanium . . . Gregor . . . . .     | 1791.                  |
| 21. Chromium . . Vauquelin . . . . .    | 1797.                  |
| 22. Columbium . Hatchett . . . . .      | 1802.                  |
| 23. Palladium, } Wollaston . . . . .    | 1803.                  |
| 24. Rhodium, } . . . . .                |                        |
| 25. Iridium . . . . .                   | Descotils, &c. 1803.   |
| 26. Osmium . . . . .                    | S. Tennant, 1803.      |
| 27. Cerium . . . . .                    | Berzelius, &c. 1804.   |
| 28. Potassium                           | } Davy . . . . . 1807. |
| 29. Sodium . .                          |                        |
| 30. Barium . .                          |                        |
| 31. Strontium                           |                        |
| 32. Calcium . .                         |                        |
| 33. Cadmium . . .                       | Stromeyer . . 1818.    |
| 34. Lithium . . . .                     | Arfwedson . 1818.      |
| 35. Selenium . . .                      | Berzelius, &c. 1818.   |
| 36. Silicium . . .                      | } Berzelius . . 1824.  |
| 37. Zirconium . .                       |                        |
| 38. Aluminium, } Wöhler . . . . . 1828. |                        |
| 39. Glucinium, } . . . . .              |                        |
| 40. Yttrium . . .                       |                        |
| 41. Thorium . . .                       | Berzelius . . 1829.    |
| 42. Magnesium .                         | Bussy, &c. . . 1829.   |

II. *Classes of the Metals.*

1. *Metallic bases of the alkalies*, viz. potassium, sodium, and lithium. These powerfully attract oxygen; the oxides are termed *alkalies*; and the metallic bases, *alkaline* or *alkaligenous* metals.

2. *Metallic bases of the alkaline earths*, viz. barium, strontium, calcium, and magnesium. These also powerfully attract oxygen, and their oxides are termed *alkaline earths*.

3. *Metallic bases of the Earths*, viz. aluminium, zirconium, glucinium, silicium, yttrium, and thorium. The oxides of these metals are the *pure earths*.

4. *Metals yielding oxides*, which are *neutral salifiable bases*, viz. gold, silver, mercury, copper, lead, iron, tin, platinum, palladium, nickel, cadmium, zinc, bismuth, antimony, cobalt, and manganese.

5. *Metals which are acidifiable*, by combination with oxygen, viz. tellurium, arsenic, chromium, molybdenum, tungsten, columbium, and selenium. Of the oxides of the rest, little is known.

6. *Metals magnetic*, viz. iron, nickel, and cobalt; chromium has also been affirmed to be magnetic.

III. *Terms connected with Metals.*

1. Metals are termed *native*, when found in an uncombined form; *mineralized*, when combined with other bodies; compounds of two or more metals, except mercury, are called *alloys*, and possess the characteristic properties of pure





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the endostome of the ovule, which lead to the internal portion of the ovule, or the nucleus.

[MICTURITION (*micturio*, to make water). The act of voiding the urine.]

MIDRIB. The principal vein of a leaf, running from the base to the apex.

MIDRIFF. *Diaphragma*. The muscle which divides the body into the thorax and the abdomen.

MIDWIFERY. The art of aiding and facilitating child-birth.

MILDEW MORTIFICATION. *Gangræna ustilaginea*; a disease supposed to arise from the use of grain vitiated by the growth of parasitic plants in the interior of the culm, or straw, chiefly the "ustilago," blight or mildew.

MILIARIA (*milium*, a millet seed). Miliary fever—*febris* being understood; minute transparent vesicles, of the size of millet seeds, filled with a colourless acrid fluid, and terminating in scurf; the fifth genus of the order *Vesiculæ* of Bateman. Miliary fever has been designated by the terms—

1. *Miliaria rubra*, or red; when the vesicles, on their first rising, being filled with transparent lymph, exhibit the red colour of the inflamed surface beneath.

2. *Miliaria alba*, or white; when, the lymph having acquired in thirty hours a milky opacity, the vesicles assume a white or pearly appearance.

MILIUM (a millet seed). A small white tumour, of the size of a millet seed, or larger, on the margin of the eyelids, containing a substance like boiled rice.

MILK. *Lac*. A fluid secreted by the females of the mammalia, for the nourishment of their offspring. It separates, on standing, into a thick whitish fluid, called *cream*, and what is termed skimmed milk; and by the addition of rennet, acids, or wine, into a solid coagulum called *curd*, and a limpid fluid termed *wey*: the curd is considered to be *caseous matter*, or the basis of cheese in a state of purity.

MILK ABSCESS. Tumour seated in the breast, proceeding from a redundancy of milk, when first secreted after child-birth.

MILK FEVER. *Febris lactea*. An aggravated form of the excitement which takes place at the onset of lactation. It is commonly said in such cases, that *the milk flies to the head*.

MILK SICKNESS. A disease endemic in the western states of Alabama, Indiana, and Kentucky. It affects both man and beast. It is commonly attri-

buted, in cattle, to something eaten or drunken by them; and in man, to the eating of the flesh of animals which have been affected with this disease. From the rigours which occur in animals, the disease has been called *trembles*.

MILK TEETH. The first set in children, which are shed in childhood.

MILLEPEDES (*mille*, a thousand, *pes*, *pedis*, a foot). Slaters, or Wood-lice. These insects, killed by the vapour of spirit of wine, formerly obtained a place in the pharmacopœias, and were employed in humoral asthma and dropsy.

MIMOSA SENSITIVA. The Sensitive plant, which exhibits the phenomena of irritability, residing in an intumescence situated at the articulation of the leaf-stalks. In the natural state during the day the stalk is elevated, the leaves expanded, and the intumescence elongated, but equally convex superiorly and inferiorly. But at night, or when irritated, the stalk is depressed, the leaves applied to each other in pairs, and the intumescence curved so as to be convex superiorly, concave inferiorly.

MINDERERUS' SPIRIT. The *liquor ammoniæ acetatis*, or liquid acetate of ammonia.

MINERAL CAOUTCHOUC. A variety of bitumen resembling caoutchouc in elasticity and softness, and in removing pencil-marks.

MINERAL CHARCOAL. A fibrous variety of non-bituminous mineral coal.

MINERAL GREEN. A hydrated subcarbonate of copper, used as a pigment.

MINERAL SOLUTION. *Liquor arsenicalis*. Fowler's solution, or the *Liquor potassæ arsenitis*.

MINERAL WATERS. Waters impregnated with mineral substances. See *Aquæ minerales*.

MINERAL YELLOW. *Patent Yellow*. A pigment consisting of chloride and protoxide of lead.

MINERALIZATION. The process of converting a substance into a mineral. A metal combined with oxygen, sulphur, &c., loses its metallic properties, and becomes *mineralized*; the latter bodies are then termed *mineralizers*.

MINERALOGY. The science which treats of inorganic substances. These are generally solids, extracted from the earth by mining, and hence called *minerals*. The term *fossil* is now commonly applied to organic substances, penetrated with earthy or metallic matters.

MINIA BATTA OIL. A solid oil,



said to be extracted by the natives of Borneo from a tree of that country. The term *minia batta* means *stone oil*.

**MINIMUM.** A minim; the sixtieth part of a fluidrachm. Also, the least part of any thing, as opposed to the *maximum*, or greatest part.

**MINIUM.** *Red lead*, or vermilion; an oxide of lead, of an intensely red colour, employed as a pigment.

*Minii Gleba.* The red earth from which vermilion is procured.—*Celsus*.

**MISCARRIAGE.** The expulsion of the foetus from the uterus, within six weeks after conception, is usually called *miscarriage*; if it occur between six weeks and six months, it is called *abortion*; and, if during any part of the last three months before the completion of the natural term, *premature labour*.

**MISCEE.** The name of an Indian dentifrice, which produces indeed a black jet upon the teeth, but leaves the enamel untouched, while it destroys the tartar and hardens the gums. Its ingredients are not known.

**MISERERE MEI.** Literally, *Pity me*; a name given to the iliac passion, or ileus, from the pain it creates.

**MISTU'RA** (*misceo*, to mix). A mixture; an extemporaneous preparation, in which different ingredients are mingled together in the liquid form, or in which solid substances are diffused through liquid, by the medium of mucilage or syrup.

[1. *Mistura Ammoniaci.* Ammoniac, ℥ij.; water, Oss.; mix thoroughly.

[2. *Mistura Amygdalæ.* Almond emulsion. Sweet almonds (blanched), ℥ss.; gum Arabic, in powder, ℥ss.; white sugar, ℥ij.; rub well together in a marble mortar, and then add distilled water, f℥viiij., and strain.

[3. *Mistura Assafœtida.* Assafœtida mixture. Milk of Assafœtida. Assafœtida, ℥ij.; water, Oss.

[4. *Mistura Creasoti.* Creasote mixture. Creasote and acetic acid, of each, ℥xv; compound spirit of juniper and syrup, of each, f℥j.; water, f℥xiv. Dose f℥j.

[5. *Mistura Cretæ.* Chalk mixture. Prepared chalk, ℥ss.; white sugar, powdered gum Arabic, of each, ℥ij.; cinnamon water, water, of each, f℥iv.; mix thoroughly. Laudanum is frequently and kino is sometimes added.

[6. *Mistura ferri composita.* Compound mixture of iron. Myrrh, ℥j.; carbonate of potassa, gr. xxv.; rose water, f℥viiss.; sulphate of iron in powder, ℔j.; spirit of lavender, f℥ss.; white sugar, ℥j. Rub

the myrrh with the rose water gradually added; then mix with these the spirit of lavender, sugar, and carbonate of potassa, and lastly, the sulphate of iron. Pour the mixture immediately into a glass bottle, which is to be well stopped. Ph. U. S. This is nearly the same as the antihectic myrrh mixture of Dr. Griffith. It is given in the hectic fever of phthisis, in chlorosis, debility of the digestive organs, &c.]

**MITHRIDATE.** An ancient composition, having opium for its basis, and now replaced by the confection of opium.

**MITRAL VALVES** (*mitra*, a mitre). The name of two valves which guard the left ventricle of the heart. The difference of size of the two valves, both being triangular, and the space between them, have given rise to the idea of a *bishop's mitre*, after which they are named.

**MIXTURE.** *Mistura.* A chemical mixture should be distinguished from a chemical solution. In the former, the aggregate particles can again be separated by mechanical means, and the proportion of the different particles determined; but, in solution, no mechanical power whatsoever can separate them.

**MOBILITY** (*mobilis*, movable). A term applied by Dr. Cullen to excessive susceptibility to impressions—one of the afflictions of nervous persons.

**MODIOLUS** (dim. of *modus*, a measure). The bony pillar, in the centre of the cochlea, encircled by the lamina spiralis. Also, the crown, or saw, of the trephine.

**MODIUS.** The chief Roman measure for things *dry*, the third part of a cubic foot, somewhat more than a peck English. Six modii were called a *medimnus*, an Attic measure.

[**MODUS OPERANDI.** Mode of operating. In *Materia Medica*, this term is applied to the general principles on which medicines when applied to the body alter or modify its vital actions.]

**MOIRE'E METALLIQUE.** Crystallized tin-plate, obtained by pouring on heated tin-plate a mixture of two parts of nitric acid, and three of muriatic acid, diluted with eight of water. When varnished, it is worked into ornamental vessels.

**MOLA'RES** (*mola*, a mill-stone). The double or grinding teeth. Those with two fangs are called *bicuspid*, or false molars.

*Molar glands.* Two small bodies, placed between the masseter and buccinator muscles, having the orifice of their ex-



cretory duct situated opposite the last molar tooth.

**MOLE** (*mola*, a mill-stone). A brown macula, or spot, generally, though not always, congenital. Also, a morbid product of conception, consisting of a false germ, or, as it is called in birds, *œuf clair*; a fleshy substance; a hydatid substance; &c.

**MOLECULE** (dim. of *moles*, a mass). A minute particle of a mass or body. It differs from *atom*, in being always considered as a portion of some aggregate.

1. *Complex organic molecule*. An association of two or more binary compounds, comparatively simple in constitution, often isolable substances and possessed of considerable stability.

2. *Integrand molecules*. The name given by Häuy to the last particles into which the nucleus of a crystal can be mechanically divided.

**MOLLITIES** (*mollis*, soft). Softness; softening. Hence—

1. *Mollities cerebri*. Ramollissement of the French. Softening of the brain.

2. *Mollities ossium*. A morbid softness and flexibility of the bones, commonly called the *rickets* of adults. See *Fragilitas ossium*.

**MOLLUSCA** (*mollis*, soft). Literally, a nut with a soft shell. Soft, invertebral, inarticulate animals, often protected by a shell. They constitute division 2d of Cuvier's Animal Kingdom, and are distinguished into the following classes: viz.—

1. *Cephalopoda*; 2. *Pteropoda*; 3. *Gasteropoda*; 4. *Brachiopoda*; 5. *Cirropoda*.

**MOLLUSCUM** (*mollis*, soft). Wen; a movable tumour, little sensible, and often elastic to the touch, containing an atheromatous matter; the third genus of the *Tubercula* of Bateman.

**MOLYBDENUM** (*μόλυβδος*, lead). A white metal closely allied to tungsten. Its name was derived from the resemblance of its native sulphuret to plumbago.

*Molybdic acid*. An acid obtained from the native sulphuret of molybdenum.

**MOMORDICA ELATERIUM**. The Squirting Cucumber; a Cucurbitaceous plant, cultivated at Mitcham for the sake of the *elaterium* found in the juice surrounding the seeds.

[*Momordica Balsamina*. Balsam Apple. A native of the East Indies. The fruit was formerly highly esteemed as a vulnerary, and is still used in domestic practice.]

**MON-, MONO-** (*μόνος*, single). A Greek prefix, denoting *unity*.

1. *Mon-adelphia* (*ἀδελφός*, a brother). The sixteenth class of plants in the Linnæan system, in which the filaments are all united into one tube. Hence—

*Monadelphous*. Having the filaments all united in one tube.

2. *Mon-andria* (*ἀνὴρ*, a man). The first class of plants in the Linnæan system, containing only one stamen. Hence—

*Monandrous*. Having only one stamen. [3. *Mono-blepsis* (*βλεψις*, sight). Confusion and imperfection of vision when both eyes are used, whilst the sight with either eye singly is distinct.]

4. *Mono-chlamydeæ* (*χλαμύς*, a tunic). A sub-class of exogenous plants, in which the flowers have only one envelope, viz. a calyx.

5. *Mono-cotyledones* (*κοτυληδών*, a seed-lobe). Plants which have only one cotyledon; or seed-lobe; those which have two are termed *di-cotyledones*; and those which have none, *a-cotyledones*. The first and second of these classes, respectively identical with the *endogenæ* and *exogenæ*, constitute the first division of plants in the natural system, or **VASCULARES**; the third is identical with **CELLULARES**, the second division. Hence—

*Monocotyledonous*. Having only one cotyledon or seed-lobe.

6. *Mon-oculus* (*oculus*, an eye). An unclassical term, signifying *one-eyed*, and applied to a bandage formerly used for fistula lacrymalis, and diseases of the eye.

7. *Mon-œcia* (*οἶκος*, a house). The 21st class of plants in the Linnæan system, in which the stamens and pistils grow on separate flowers, but on the same individual.

8. *Monomania* (*μανία*, madness). Madness upon *one* subject only. See *Mania*.

9. *Mono-petalous* (*πέταλον*, a leaf). Literally, having a single petal or leaf, as applied to the *corolla* of plants. The difference, however, between a *mono-petalous* and a *poly-petalous* corolla is, that in the one, the leaves out of which it is formed are distinct; in the other, they are united. A more proper term for the latter is *gamo-petalous*. Where there are no petals, the plants are termed *a-petalous*.

10. *Mono-phyllus* (*φύλλον*, a leaf). A term used synonymously with *monosepalous*, denoting cohesion of the sepals of the calyx.

11. *Mon-orchid* (*ὄρχις*, a testis). Having a single testis.





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**MOREL.** The *Morchella esculenta*, a fungus employed for flavouring gravies, &c.

**MORIA** (*μωρδς*, foolish). Foolishness; fatuity; defect or hebetude of the understanding.

**MORIBUNDUS** (*morior*, to die). Moribund; dying, ready to die.

**MOROXYLIC ACID** (*μόρον*, the mulberry, *ξύλον*, wood). An acid produced from the bark of the mulberry tree.

**MORPHIA** (*Morpheus*, the god of sleep). A vegeto-alkali, existing in opium, in combination with a peculiar acid, which has been named the *meconic*, in the form of a meconate. Morphia is generally admitted to constitute the narcotic principle of opium.

[1. *Morphiæ acetas*. Acetate of Morphia. One-sixth of a grain is considered equivalent to a grain of opium.

[2. *Morphiæ murias*. Muriate or Hydrochlorate of Morphia. One-sixth of a grain is about equivalent to one grain of opium.

[3. *Morphiæ sulphas*. Sulphate of Morphia. The dose is from gr.  $\frac{1}{8}$  to gr.  $\frac{1}{4}$ .]

**MORPIO.** The *pediculus pubis*, or crab-louse; an insect which burrows in the skin of the groins and eyebrows.

**MORS, MORTIS.** Death; properly, the cessation of life, the separation of the soul from the body. *Nex* is a violent death, or slaughter.

**MORSULUS.** A little mouthful; a term applied to a form of medicine like drops, or lozenges, without regular form.

**MORSUS DIABOLI.** Literally, *devil's bite*; an uncouth designation of the simbricated extremity of the Fallopian tube.

**MORT DE CHIEN** (dog's death). A name of the spasmodic cholera, of Mr. Curtis; it is said to be a corruption of *mordezym*, the Indian name of the disease; or of the Arabic *mordekia*, or "the death-blow,"—according to Golius, *actio inferens mortem*, and hence synonymous with "mors violenta."

**MORTAR CEMENT.** A mixture of lime and siliceous sand, used for building.

**MORTIFICATION** (*mors*, *mortis*, death, *fit*, to become). A generic term denoting the death of any part of the body, occasioned by inflammation: the circulation in the part is completely arrested, the blood in the capillaries is not only coagulated, but decomposed, while the tissue itself undergoes decomposition. The particular stages of mortification are designated in this country, by the terms—

1. *Gangrene*, or the incipient stage.

On the continent it denotes the complete form. See *Gangrene*.

2. *Sphacelus*, or complete mortification. Some apply the term gangrene to the death of the *superficial texture*, and sphacelus to the death of the *whole substance* of an organ.

3. *Slough*; the technical term for the fibrous, senseless substance, resulting from sphacelus.

4. *Necrosis*, or death of the bones; the term *caries* meaning ulceration of bone.

5. *Hospital gangrene*, or the combination of humid gangrene with phagedænic ulceration.

6. *Pustule maligne*, or *charbon* of the French; malignant pustule, or carbuncle, supposed by some to originate in horned cattle.

7. *Gangrenous ergotism*, necrosis ustiliginea seu epidemica, arising from the use of spurred rye.

**MORUS TINCTORIA.** The plant which yields the yellow dye called *fustic*. The colouring principle is termed *morin*.

*Morus nigra*. The mulberry tree. The fruit, commonly called a berry, is a *sorosis*.

[*Morus rubra*. An indigenous species, the fruit of which, like that of the preceding species, is an agreeable article of food, and is esteemed refreshing and laxative.]

**MOSAIC GOLD.** *Aurum musivum*. The alchemical name of the bi-sulphuret of tin. It is produced in fine flakes of a beautiful gold colour, and is used as a pigment.

**MOSCHUS.** Musk; a granular substance found in the preputial musk sac under the belly of the *Moschus moschiferus*, a species of deer inhabiting the Alpine mountains of the east of Asia.

*Moschus factitius*. Artificial musk, prepared with nitric acid, fetid animal oil, and rectified spirit.

**MOTHER SPOTS.** *Maculæ maternæ*. Congenital spots and discolourations of the skin. See *Nævus*.

**MOTION** (*moveo*, to move). This term, as employed in Animal Physiology, denotes the following phenomena:—

1. *Voluntary Motion*. The spontaneous act of the will of the individual; a function attached to the *brain*.

2. *Excited Motion*, or that of the *Reflex Function*; as in the closure of the larynx on the contact of acrid vapours, of the pharynx on that of the food, &c., a function of the *medulla*.

3. *Motion of Irritability*; as the action



of the heart, the intestinal canal, &c., a function of the *muscular fibre*.

4. *Ciliary motion*. The peculiar vibrating motion of the *cilia* of animals, as observed on the external surface, in the alimentary canal, the respiratory system, the generative organs, in the cavities of the nervous system, and on the surface of serous membranes.

**MOTIONS OF THE LIMBS.** The motions which may take place between any two segments of a limb, are distinguished by the following terms:—

1. *Gliding*, the simplest kind of motion, existing between two contiguous surfaces, when one glides over the other.

2. *Flexion*, by which two segments of a limb, placed in a direct line or nearly so, are brought to form an angle. This is opposed by—

3. *Extension*, by which the segments are restored to the direct line. These two motions belong to what Bichat calls *limited opposition*, and they are illustrated by the flexion and extension of the fore-arm.

4. *Abduction*, by which the thigh-bone is separated from the middle line of the body, so as to form an angle with the lateral surface of the trunk; and—

5. *Adduction*, by which it is restored and made to approximate the middle line. Bichat terms this "*opposition vague*."

6. *Circumduction*, or a continuous motion performed rapidly in directions intermediate to the four preceding: the distal extremity of the limb describes a circle indicating the base of a cone, whose apex is the articular extremity moving in the joint.

7. *Rotation*, or the revolving of a bone round its axis.

**MOTOR** (*moveo*, to move). A mover; a part whose function is *motion*.

1. *Motor tract*. The prolongation of the anterior columns of the spinal cord through the pons Varolii into the crura cerebri. This tract gives origin to the three motor nerves.

2. *Motores oculorum*. The movers of the eyes, or the third pair of nerves.

3. The metals were denominated by Volta, *motors* of electricity, from their property of transferring electricity to each other by simple contact; this process was called by Davy, *electro-motion*.

**MOULDINESS.** A peculiar fungus plant, propagated by spores, infinitely small. Reaumur found the interior of an addled egg mouldy; hence the spores must have passed through the pores of the shell.

**MOUNTAIN BLUE.** Malachite, or carbonate of copper. *Mountain green* is the common copper green, also a carbonate.

**MOUNTAIN CORK.** The name of the elastic variety of asbestos. *Mountain leather* is the tough variety. When in very thin pieces, it is called *mountain paper*. The ligniform variety is called *mountain* or *rock wood*.

**MOUNTAIN SOAP.** A mineral substance occurring in the island of Skye; used in crayon-painting.

**MOUSTACHES.** The hair which grows on the upper lip of men, forming two oblique rows, meeting under the nose, and prolonged as far as the commissures of the lips.

**MOXA.** A small mass of combustible vegetable matter, prepared from the *Artemisia moxa*, or Moxa-weed, a Chinese plant of the order Compositæ, and employed as an actual cautery.

1. *European moxa*. Usually made with cotton-wool, which has been soaked in a solution of nitrate or chlorate of potash; or the pith of the *Helianthus annuus*, or sun-flower, which contains naturally nitrate of potash.

2. *Percy's moxa*. Consists of pith, rolled in cotton, and enveloped in muslin.

3. *Porte-moxa*. A pair of forceps, or other instrument for fixing the cylinder of moxa upon the spot where it is to be applied.

**MUCIC ACID.** An acid first obtained from sugar of milk (*saccharum lactis*), and hence termed *sacclactic*, or *saccholactic*; but as all the gums appear to afford it, and the principal acid in the sugar of milk is the oxalic, it is now called *mucic*.

**MUCILAGO.** Mucilage; an aqueous solution of gum.

1. *Mucilaginous matter*. The name given by chemists to the white flocculent deposit formed in the distilled waters of plants.

2. *Mucilaginous Extracts*. Extracts which readily dissolve in water, scarcely at all in spirits of wine, and undergo spirituous fermentation.

**MUCIPAROUS** (*mucus*, and *pario*, to produce). Producing mucus; a term applied to the *follicles* of the mucous membranes.

**MUCOCELE** (*mucus*, and *κῆλη*, a tumour). *Hernia sacci lacrymalis*. An enlargement of the lacrymal sac, constituting a soft swelling, which contains tears mixed with mucus.



[MUCOUS (*mucosus*, from *mucus*). Related to mucus or to mucilage.]

MUCRONATE [(*mucro*, a sharp point)]. Abruptly terminated by a hard short point; applied to leaves.

MUCUNA PRURIENS. Common Cowhage, or Cow-itch; a leguminous plant, having its legumes covered with stinging hairs, called *cowhage*, or *cow-itch*, employed as an anthelmintic.

MUCUS (*μύξα*, the mucus of the nostrils). The liquor secreted by the mucous surfaces, as of the nostrils, intended as a protection to the parts exposed to external influences.

MUDAR. By this name, and those of *akum* and *ycerund*, are designated the root, bark, and inspissated juice of the *Calotropis gigantea*.

*Mudarine*. The active principle of the above plant, remarkable for its property of coagulating by heat, and becoming again fluid by exposure to cold.

MUFFLE. A small earthen oven, fixed in a furnace, and used in cupellation, and other processes which require the access of air.

MUGWORT. The common name of the *Artemisia Vulgaris*, a European Composite plant.

MULBERRY CALCULUS. A species of urinary calculus, consisting of oxalate of lime, and named from its rough and tuberculated surface. There is a variety of it, denominated from its colour and general appearance, the *hemp-seed* calculus, which seems to contain lithate of ammonia.

MULBERRY EYELID. An ancient designation of the ophthalmia purulenta; said also to be the *pladarotis* (*πλαδαροτις*, moist) of the Greeks.

MULSUM (*scilicet vinum mulsum*). Hydromel. A drink chiefly made of water, wine, and honey, mixed and boiled together.

MULTICUSPIDATI (*multus*, many, *cuspis*, a spear). The name of the three last molares; so called from their having several tubercles. See *Dens*.

MULTIFID (*multus*, many, *findo*, to cleave). Cut into many parts; applied to leaves which have numerous shallow segments.

MULTIFIDUS SPINÆ (*multus*, many, *findo*, to cleave). The name of a mass of muscles, which are placed obliquely from the transverse, to the spinous, processes. They have been described as three distinct sets of muscles, by the names—

1. *Transverso-spinalis colli*.

2. *Transverso-spinalis dorsi*.

3. *Transverso-spinalis lumborum*.

MULTIPARTITE (*multus*, many, *partio*, to divide). Divided into many parts; applied to leaves which have many deep lobes.

MULTIPLE (*multus*, many). A number which includes another, a certain number of times; as 6 the multiple of 2; 18 the multiple of 6, &c.

MULTUM. The name of a compound of extract of quassia and liquorice, used by brewers for the purpose of economizing malt and hops.

*Hard multum*, or Black Extract, is a preparation made from *Cocculus Indicus*, and used by brewers to impart an intoxicating quality to beer.

MUM. A malt liquor, made in the same way as beer, by using wheat malt.

MUMPS. A popular name for *Cynanche parotidæa*. In Scotland it is called *branks*.

MUNGO. The root of the *Ophiorrhiza mungos*, supposed to be a specific for the bite of the cobra di capello and the rattle-snake. In India and Ceylon it is still used as an antidote against the bite of the mad dog. The parts are so intensely bitter, that the plant is called by the Malays, *earth gall*.

MUNJEET. A species of *Rubia tinctorum*, or madder, produced in Nepaul and in various districts of India. That which is brought to England is imported from Calcutta.

MUREX. A shell-fish noted among the ancients for its purple dye.

1. *Murexide*. A beautiful purple product of the decomposition of uric acid, first described by Dr. Prout under the name of *purpurate of ammonia*.

2. *Murexan*. The *purpuric acid* of Prout. It is prepared by dissolving *murexide* in caustic potash, heating till the blue colour disappears, and then adding an excess of dilute sulphuric acid.

MURIAS. A muriate, or hydro-chlorate; a salt formed by the union of muriatic acid with an alkaline, earthy, or metallic base. Metallic muriates contain either an excess or deficiency of acid; in the former case, the salt is called an *oxy-muriate*; in the latter, a *sub-muriate*.

1. *Murias Ammonia*. Muriate of Ammonia; generally called *sal-ammoniac*, and formerly imported from Egypt, where it is procured by sublimation from the soot of the camel's dung.

2. *Murias calcis*. Muriate of lime; formerly known by the names of *marine selenite*; *calcareous marine salt*; *muria*;





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## III. Actions of Muscles.

1. The *voluntary*, or those which are subject to the will, as the muscles of locomotion.

2. The *involuntary*, or those which act independently of the will, as the heart, &c.

3. The *mixed*, or those which act imperceptibly, but yet are subject, more or less, to the control of the will, as the muscles of respiration.

**MUSHROOM SUGAR.** A sugar obtained by treating the tincture of the ergot of rye with water.

**MUSK.** A substance procured from the Musk deer. See *Moschus*.

**MUST.** The common name for the expressed juice of the grape.

[**MUSSITATION** (*mussito*, to mutter to oneself). A movement of the lips, as if the patient spoke in a low voice; an unfavourable symptom in disease.]

[**MUSTARD.** The powdered seeds of *Sinapis nigra* and *alba*. See *Sinapis Semina*.]

**MUTITAS** (*mutus*, dumb). Dumbness; an inability of articulation.

**MYDRÍ'ASIS** (*μύδος*, moisture). A preternatural dilatation of the pupil. Compare *Myosis*.

**MYELITIS** (*μυελίτις*, marrow). Inflammation of the substance of the brain or spinal marrow, as distinguished from *meningitis*, specifically, or *encephalitis*, generally.

**MYLABRIS.** A genus of insects.

1. *Mylabris variabilis*. A species brought from China, and used as a substitute for Cantharides.

2. *Mylabris chicorii*. A species said to be the same as the *huprestis* of the Greeks, and used, according to Pliny, in the same manner as the blister-beetle.

**MYLO-** (*μύλη*, a mill-stone). Names compounded with this word belong to muscles attached near the *grinders*.

1. *Mylo-hyoideus*. A triangular muscle, arising from the inside of the lower jaw, between the molar teeth and the chin, and inserted into the os hyoïdes. It raises the os hyoïdes, or depresses the jaw.

2. *Mylo-pharyngeus*. A synonym of the constrictor superior muscle, from its arising from the alveolar process.

**MYOCEPHALON** (*μυῖα*, a fly, *κεφαλή*, the head). A small prolapsus of the iris, forming a brownish tumour, as large as a fly's head.

**MYODESOPSIA** (*μυῖα*, a fly, *εἶδος*, likeness, *ὄψις*, sight). *Visus muscarum*. The imaginary appearance of floating bodies in the air,—a common symptom

of incipient amaurosis. The technical term for these objects is *muscæ volitantes*, or *mouches volantes*, commonly called *motes*.

**MYOIDES** (*μῦς*, *μυῖς*, a muscle, *εἶδος*, likeness). *Platysma myoïdes*; a muscular expansion on the neck.

**MYOLOGY** (*μῦς*, *μυῖς*, a muscle, *λόγος*, a description). A description of the muscles; one of the divisions in the study of anatomy.

**MYO'PIA** (*μύω*, to close, *ὤψ*, the eye). *Paropsis propinqua*. Short sight; near sight. It is also called *myopiasis* (*μῦς*, *μυῖς*, a mouse), or "mouse-sight," from the supposition that mice have naturally this kind of vision. See *Lens*.

**MYO'SIS** (*μύω*, to close the eyes). An unnatural contraction of the pupil. Compare *Mydriasis*.

**MYOTOMY** (*μῦς*, *μυῖς*, a muscle, *τομή*, section). Dissection of the muscles; a branch of anatomy.

**MYRIAPODA** (*μυρία*, innumerable, *ποῦς ποδός*, a foot). The first class of the *Diplogangliata*, or *Entomoida*, comprising animals with articulated bodies, all the segments of the trunk being provided each with one or two pairs of jointed ambulatory feet.

**MYRICA CERIFERA.** The Wax myrtle or Bayberry; the berries of which are employed for the same purposes as bees' wax and candles.

*Myricin*. The ingredient of wax, which remains after digestion in alcohol. See *Cera*.

**MYRISTICACEÆ.** The Nutmeg tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Trees with leaves alternate; flowers diœcious, with no trace of a second sex; fruit baccate, dehiscent, 2-valved; seed nut-like, enveloped in a many-parted *arillus*.

1. *Myristicæ nuclei*. Nutmegs; the seeds of the *Myristica officinalis*, [*M. Mochata*, Willd.] They are partially enveloped by an *arillus*, constituting the spice called *mace*.

2. *Myristicæ adeps*. Butter of nutmegs; prepared by beating the nutmegs to a paste, which is then exposed to the vapour of water, and expressed by heated plates. It is often called *expressed oil of mace*.

3. *Myristic acid*. An acid obtained from the solid portion of the butter of nutmegs, in which it is combined with glycerine.

**MYROBALANS** (*μύρον*, ointment, *βάλανος*, an acorn). Dried fruits of the plum kind, brought from Bengal and other parts of India: there are five kinds,



viz., the *belleric*, the *emblic*, the *chebulic*, the *Indian*, and the *yellow*.

**MYRONIC ACID** (μύρον, an odorous oil). A bitter acid procured from black mustard seeds.

**MYROSPERMUM** (μύρον, a liquid perfume, σπέρμα, seed). A genus of Leguminous plants, the seeds of which are besmeared with balsamic juice.

1. *Myrospermum Peruiferum*. [*Myroxylon Peruiferum*, Willd.] The Quinquino; the species which yields the *balsam of Peru*, called also *black* or *liquid balsam of Peru*.

2. *Myrospermum Toluiferum*. The Balsam of Tolu tree; the species which yields the balsam of that name.

**MYROSYNE** (μύρον, an odorous oil, σὺν, with). Emulsin of black mustard seeds; a peculiar substance which derives its name from its yielding, with myronic acid, the volatile oil of mustard.

[MYROYLON. Ph. U. S. Balsam of Peru. See *Myrospermum Peruiferum*.]

**MYRRHĀ** (μύρον, an ointment). Myrrh; an exudation from the bark of the *Protium Katuf*. It is also called *stacte*, from στάζω, to distil.

**MYRTACEÆ**. The Myrtle tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with leaves opposite, entire, and marked with transparent dots; flowers polypetalous; stamens perigynous; carpella concrete; inferior ovarium with several cells.

*Myrtus pimenta*. The Pimenta or Allspice tree; a native of South America; where it is called *Pumake* (in the Maypure language); and of the West India islands; hence the fruit is also called *Jamaica pepper*.

**MYRTIFORM**. The name of the *carunculæ* which remain after the laceration of the hymen, from their supposed resemblance to the myrtle.

## N

**N**. This letter, in prescriptions, denotes *numero*, in number.

**NÆVUS**. *Congenitæ notæ*. *Envies*. *Maculæ maternæ*, or mother-spots; congenital spots and discolourations of the skin; the second genus of the Order *Maculæ*, of Bateman. These marks are vulgarly ascribed to the influence of the imagination of the mother upon the child *in utero*; hence, we have the—

*N. araneus*, the spider-like stain.

*N. foliaceus*, the leaf-like stain.

*N. cerasus*, the cherry stain.

*N. fragarius*, the strawberry stain.

*N. morus*, the mulberry stain.

*N. ribes*, the currant stain.

*N. rubus*, the blackberry stain.

To these may be added the *claret*, or *port wine stain*, supposed to be represented by the flat and purple nævus, or the *nævus flammeus* of Plenck; and those resembling a slice of bacon, or other flesh. See *Spilus*.

### *Vascular Nævi.*

1. The *Arterial*, consisting in numerous enlarged cutaneous arteries, as is seen in the *nævus araneus*.

2. The *Capillary*, consisting in dilated capillary vessels, the points of dilatation being frequently manifest on the surface.

3. The *Sub-cutaneous*, so denominated by Dr. Wardrop, and probably identical with the preceding species, when seated more deeply and unattended by discol-

ouration. It may involve the subjacent textures, and is then called the *complicated nævus*.

4. The *Venous*, or *varicose*. This is sub-cutaneous; and when the veins are large, the sensation which it imparts to the finger, is precisely that conveyed by varicocele.

5. The *Increscens*. This must be distinguished from the stationary nævus, because, as Celsus observes—"quædam remedia increscentibus, morbis, plura jam incliantibus, conveniunt."

**NAILS**. *Ungues*. Horny laminæ covering the backs of the extremities of the fingers and toes. A nail is divided into a *root*, a *body*, and a *free extremity*.

**NANCEIC ACID**. An acid procured from sour rice, and other acescent vegetable substances, and named by Braconnot in honour of the town of Nancy, where he resides.

**NAPHTHA**. A native liquid bitumen, occurring in springs on the shores of the Caspian sea; and procured also by distillation from petroleum. *Naphthene* and *naphthol* are liquid bitumens of similar nature.

**NAPHTHALINE**. A compound obtained by distillation from coal tar; said to be a *sesquicarburet of hydrogen*. [Recommended by Dupasquier as an expectorant in chronic catarrh of old people attended with difficult expectoration.]



**NAPIFORM** (*napus*, a turnip, *forma*, likeness). A term applied to one of the textures of cancer, the *bunioïd* of Bayle; and to certain roots (or stems) which present the form of a depressed sphere, like that of the turnip.

**NAPLES YELLOW**. A colour prepared by calcining lead with antimony and potash.

**NARCEINE** (*νάρκη*, stupor). A weak base existing in opium in a very small proportion.

[**NARCISSUS PSEUDO-NARCIS-SUS**. Daffodil. A well-known plant, the bulb of which is emetic, and the flowers it is said are emetic and antispasmodic.]

**NARCOTICS** (*νάρκη*, stupor). *Hypnotics*. Medicines which induce sleep or stupor, as opiates.

**NARCOTINE** (*νάρκη*, stupor). A crystalline substance derived from opium, formerly called *salt of Derosne*.

**NARCOTISM** (*νάρκη*, stupor). [Narcosis.] A state of unnatural sleep, induced by the effect of narcotic substances.

**NARDOSTACHYS JATAMANSI**. An Indian plant of the order *Valerianaceæ*, the root of which appears to be the *spikenard* of the ancients.

**NARIS**. *Cava naris*. The nostril, the hole of the *nasus*, or nose.

**NASCENT STATE** (*nascor*, to be born). A term applied to the state of gases, at the moment of their generation, before they have acquired the repulsive power.

[**NASTURTIUM OFFICINALE**. Water-cress. A cruciferous plant, eaten as a salad, and esteemed useful in scurvy and visual obstruction. The *N. palustre* and *N. amphibium* possess the same virtues as the *N. officinale*.]

**NASUS**. The nose, or organ of smell; the external part of the nose.

1. *Nasal fossæ*. Two irregular, compressed cavities, extending backwards from the nose to the pharynx, and constituting the internal part of the nose.

2. *Nasal duct*. A short canal leading from the lacrymal sac to the inferior meatus of the nose.

3. *Alæ nasi*. The two movable sides, or wings, of the nose.

[**NATATION** (*nato*, to swim). The act of swimming, or of floating and moving in the water by the action of the muscles of locomotion.]

**NATES**. The buttocks. The name of the upper pair of the tubercula quadrigemina of the brain; the lower pair is called the *testes*.

**NATRIUM**. A term formerly used to designate *sodium*.

**NATRON**. Native carbonate of soda; it is found in mineral seams or crusts, and is hence called the *mineral alkali*.

**NAUCLEA GAMBIR**. The plant which yields an extract called *gambir*. Dr. Pereira considers this gambir not to form any of the *kinos* of the shops, but to be one of the substances called *catechu* in commerce. See *Kino*.

**NAUCUM**. An old Latin term applied by botanists to the exterior coat of the drupe; it is soft and fleshy, and separable from the interior, hard, and bony coat, which is called the *endocarpium*, or stone. Gærtner applied the term *nauca* to seeds which have a very large hilum, as that of the horse-chestnut.

**NAUSEA** (sea-sickness, from *ναῦς*, a ship). Sickness of the stomach; loathing; tendency to reject, but without regurgitation.

[*Nauseants*. Medicines which excite nausea.]

**NAVICULARE OS** (*navicula*, dim. of *navis*, a boat). A boat-shaped bone of the carpus, and of the tarsus. The term *navicular* is applied in botany to the glumes of grasses, owing to their boat-shaped appearance. It signifies the same as the term *carinated*, or keeled. See *Keel*.

**NEBULA**. A cloud. Haziness, or dulness; a slight form of opacity.

[**NECRÆMIA** (*νεκρός*, death, *αἷμα*, blood). Death beginning with the blood, a term given by Dr. C. J. B. Williams to those fatal cases in which the first and most remarkable change is exhibited in the blood.]

[**NECROPHOBIA** (*νεκρός*, death, *φοβός*, fear). An exaggerated fear of death, a common symptom of hypochondriasis.]

**NECROSCOPICAL** (*νεκρός*, dead, *σκοπέω*, to examine). Relating to post-mortem examination, or autopsy.

**NECROSIS** (*νεκρόω*, to mortify). Literally, mortification; it is confined to that affection of the bones, and is the consequence either of an unfavourable termination of inflammation of the bone in a bad constitution, or of its vascular supply being cut off by the destruction of its periosteum or medullary membrane. It is termed—

1. *Simple*, when it is confined to one bone, the patient being in other respects healthy.

2. *Compound*, when several parts of the same bone, or several distinct bones, are affected at the same time; when the health is bad, &c.

3. *Necrosis ustilaginea*. The name





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**NERVINE** (*nervinus*, from *nervus*, a nerve). Neurotic; that which relieves disorders of the nerves, as antispasmodics, &c.

[**NERVOUS**. Belonging, or relating to the nerves; strong, vigorous; excessive irritability or mobility of the nervous system.

[1. *Nervous centres*. The parts from which the nerves originate, the brain, spinal marrow and ganglions.

[2. *Nervous fluid*. A fluid supposed to circulate in the nerves, and believed to be the agent of sensation and motion.]

3. *Nervous Quinsy*. A name given by Dr. Heberden to the *globus hystericus* of Dr. Darwin and other writers.

[4. *Nervous system*. The nerves of the body considered collectively.]

**NETTLE-RASH**. Elevations of the cuticle, or wheals resembling the sting of the nettle. See *Urticaria*.

**NEURON** (*νεῦρον*). A nerve; a cord arising from the brain or spinal marrow.

1. *Neur-algia* (*ἄλγος*, pain). Nerve-ache, or pain in a nerve. It occurs in nerves of the face, and is then called *face ague*, *tic douloureux*, &c.

2. *Neuri-lemma* (*λέμμα*, a coat). The sheath of a nerve.

3. *Neuro-logy* (*λόγος*, a description). The doctrine of the nerves.

[4. *Neuroma*, *Neuromation*. Tumours in nerves. Odier has given the term *Neuroma* to movable, circumscribed, and very painful tumours, caused, according to him, by the swelling of a nerve. Craigie gives the epithet *neuromation* to those pisiform painful tumours or hard tubercles which form beneath the skin, and which are seated in the subcutaneous nervous twigs. These are termed painful subcutaneous tubercle by Wood.]

5. *Neuro-ptera* (*πτερόν*, a wing). Net-winged insects, as the dragon-fly, antlion, &c.

6. *Neuroses*. Nervous diseases. A class of diseases of Cullen.

7. *Neuro-sthenia* (*σθένος*, force). An excess of nervous irritation; an inflammatory affection of the nerves.

8. *Neuro-tica*. Nervous medicines; a term synonymous with *nervines*.

9. *Neuro-tomy* (*τομή*, section). Dissection of the nerves.

10. *Neur-ypno-logy* (*ὑπνος*, sleep, *λόγος*, a description). An account of nervous sleep, considered in relation to animal magnetism.

**NEUROSES** (*νεῦρον*, a nerve). Nervous diseases, in which sense and motion are impaired, without idiopathic pyrexia,

or any local disease; the second class of diseases in Cullen's nosology, comprising the orders *comata*, *adynamixæ*, *spasmi*, and *vesaniæ*.

[**NEUTRAL MIXTURE**. *Liquor Potassæ Citratis*. Ph. U. S. This is best prepared by saturating fresh lemon juice with bicarbonate of potassa and filtering. It is a valuable diaphoretic. The dose is from ℥ij. to ℥ss.]

**NEUTRAL SALTS**. Salts in which the base is perfectly saturated with the alkali, thus possessing the character neither of acid nor alkaline salts.

**NEUTRALIZATION**. A term denoting the loss of characteristic properties, which frequently attends chemical combination. It is exemplified when an acid and alkali are combined in such proportions that the compound does not change the colour of litmus or violets. The compound is called *neutral*, and one ingredient is said to be *neutralized* or saturated by the other. See *Sal*.

**NICARAGUA WOOD**. *Peach wood*. A tree of the same genus (*Cæsalpinia*) as the Brazil wood; it grows near the lake of Nicaragua. It is used as a dye.

**NICKEL**. A scarce white metal, occurring in combination with other metals. It is employed in potteries, and in the manufacture of porcelain.

1. *Cupfer-nickel*. False copper; a name given by the German miners to the arsenical ore of nickel, after their vain attempts to extract copper from it.

2. *Speiss*. An artificial arseniuret.

**NICOTIANA**. A genus of plants, of which the species *tabacum* yields the Virginian, Havana, and pigtail tobaccos of the shops; the *rustica*, the Syrian and Turkish tobaccos; and the *persica*, the fragrant tobacco of Shiraz. The term *Nicotiana* is derived from the name of Joan Nicot, who sent the seeds or the plant to France, about the year 1560.

1. *Nicotine*. An organic base existing in the leaves, root, and seeds of different species of *Nicotiana*.

2. *Nicotianin*. Concrete volatile oil of tobacco, or *tobacco-camphor*, obtained by submitting tobacco leaves with water, to distillation.

**NICTITATIO** (*nictito*, to wink). [Nictitation.] Twinkling of the eyelids; winking. It occurs as a symptom in amaurosis, generally accompanying a convulsive state of the iris. See *Membrana nictitans*.

**NIGHTMARE**. See *Incubus*.

**NIGRITIES** (*niger*, black). Black-



ness; thus, a caries is called *nigrities ossium*, or a blackness of the bone.

**NIHIL ALBUM.** Literally, *white nothing*; a former name of the flowers of white oxide of zinc; *lana philosophica*, or philosophical wool, is a scarcely less curious designation.

**NIPPLE.** *Papilla.* The prominent part of the integument in the centre of the areola of the mamma.

**NIRLES.** The popular appellation of the *herpes phlyctænodes*, or miliary herpes of Bateman.

**NISUS FORMATIVUS.** Literally, a formative effort; a principle similar to gravitation, applied by Blumenbach to organized matter, by which each organ is endowed, as soon as it acquires structure, with a *vita propria*.

**NITRAS.** A nitrate; a compound of nitric acid with a salifiable base.

1. *Nitras potassæ.* The salt known by the name of *nitre* or *saltpetre*.

2. *Nitras sodæ.* Formerly called *cubic* or *quadrangular nitre*.

3. *Nitras calcis.* Formerly called *calcareous nitre*. The ignited nitrate of lime is called *Baldwin's phosphorus*.

4. *Nitras ammoniæ.* Formerly called *nitrum flammans*, from its property of exploding at the temperature of 600°.

5. *Nitras magnesiæ.* Also called *magnesian nitre*; it combines with the preceding salt, and forms a triple salt, called the *ammoniaco-magnesian nitrate*.

6. *Nitras argenti.* Fused nitrate of silver, or *lunar caustic*.

**NITRE.** *Saltpetre.* The common name of the nitrate of potash. When fused, and poured into moulds, it is called *sal-prunella*, or *crystal mineral*; when mixed with charcoal, and burnt, the residuum was formerly called *clyssus of nitre*; mixed with carbonate of potash and sulphur, in a warm mortar, it forms the *fulminating powder*; mixed with sulphur and charcoal, it forms *gunpowder*; and when mixed with sulphur and fine saw-dust, it constitutes the *powder of fusion*.

**NITRIC ACID.** A constituent of nitre or saltpetre. From its corrosive qualities, it is commonly called *aqua fortis* [q. v.]

**NITROGEN** (*νίτρον*, nitre, *γεννάω*, to produce; so called from its being a generator of nitre). *Azote.* An elementary principle, constituting four-fifths of the volume of atmospheric air. It was formerly called *mephitic air*, and, by Priestley, *phlogisticated air*.

1. *Nitrous oxide.* Formerly called by

Priestley, who discovered it, *dephlogisticated nitrous air*; but more properly protoxide of nitrogen. Its common name is *laughing gas*.

2. *Nitric oxide*, or nitrous gas. Formerly called *nitrous air*; but, more properly, deutoxide of nitrogen. When mixed with atmospheric air, *nitrous acid vapours* are produced, of a red or orange brown colour.

3. *Nitrous acid.* Formerly called *summing nitrous acid*. An acid of uncertain constitution, termed *hyponitrous* by Turner.

4. *Peroxide of nitrogen.* A compound forming the principal part of the *nitrous acid vapours* above mentioned; the nitrous acid of Turner, the hyponitric acid or nitrous gas of Berzelius.

5. *Nitric acid.* A constituent of nitre or saltpetre, and existing only in combination. It is called *aqua fortis*, Glauber's spirit of nitre, &c.

6. *Nitro-saccharic acid.* An acid procured from the sugar of gelatine and nitric acid, by heat.

7. *Nitro-leucic acid.* An acid formed by treating lucine with nitric acid.

8. *Nitro-muriatic acid.* A compound acid formed by the union of the nitric and muriatic acids; it is generally known by the name of *aqua regia*, from its property of dissolving gold.

9. *Nitro-naphthalase*  
10. *Nitro-naphthalese*  
11. *Nitro-naphthalise* } Three new products obtained by the action of nitric acid on naphthaline, and named according to Laurent's plan of distinguishing compounds obtained successively from the same root by the vowels, a, e, i, o, &c.

**NITROGENISED FOODS.** Substances containing nitrogen, and supposed to be the only substances capable of being converted into blood, and of forming organic tissues; hence they have been termed by Liebig the *plastic elements of nutrition*.

*Non-nitrogenised foods.* Substances which contain no nitrogen, and supposed to be incapable of forming organised or living tissues. Liebig states that their function is to promote the process of respiration, and he therefore terms them *elements of respiration*.

**NITROUS POWDER.** A combination of nitrate of potash with tartar emetic and calomel.

**NITRUM FLAMMANS.** A name given to nitrate of ammonia, from its property of exploding, and being totally decomposed, at the temperature of 600°.



**NOCTAMBULATIO** (*nox, noctis*, night, *ambulo*, to walk). Sleep-walking; literally, night-walking.

**NODE** (*nodus*, a knot). A swelling of a bone, or a thickening of the perosteum, from a venereal cause. In botany, the term *node* signifies the thickened part of a stem or branch from which a leaf is developed. The space between two nodes is termed an *internode*.

**NODOSITY** (*nodus*, a node). A calcareous concretion found in joints, in gout or articular rheumatism.

**NODULE** (dim. of *nodus*, a node). A little node; a small woody body found in the bark of the beech, and some other trees, and formed of concentric layers of wood arranged around a central nucleus. Dutrochet terms it an *embryo-bud*.

**NODUS CEREBRI**. A designation of the *pons Varolii*, or tuber annulare of the brain.

**NOLI ME TANGERE** (*touch me not*). A name given by various writers to *lupus*, the seventh genus of the *Tubercula* of Bateman. It is the *cancer lupus* of Sauvages, and the *dartre rougeante* of the French writers. The disease is termed from its impatience of handling, and its being aggravated by most kinds of treatment. See *Lupus*.

**NOMA** (*νομάω*, to eat). Water-canker; a form of sphacelus occurring generally in children, and also called stomacace gangrenosa seu maligna, necrosis infantilis, gangrenous aphthæ, &c.

**NOMENCLATURE**. A general designation for the terms employed in any art or science.

[**NON-NATURALS**. The ancient physicians comprehended under this term, air, meat and drink, sleep and watching, motion and rest, the retentions and excretions, and the affections of the mind; or, in other words, those principal matters which do not enter into the composition of the body, but at the same time are necessary to its existence.]

**NOOTH'S APPARATUS**. An apparatus invented by Nooth for the purpose of making a solution of carbonic acid gas.

**NORMAL** (*norma*, a rule). That which is regular; that in which there is no deviation from the ordinary structure. See *Abnormal*.

**NOSE**. *Nasus*. The organ of smell. It is composed, superiorly, of bones, and inferiorly of cartilages; and it is lined by a mucous membrane, termed the *membrana pituitaria*, or *Schneiderian membrane*; the two movable sides are called *alæ nasi*, or the wings of the nose.

**NOSOCOMIUM** (*νόσος*, disease, *κομέω*, to take care of). A hospital; a place where diseases are treated.

**NOSOGRAPHY** (*νόσος*, disease, *γράφω*, to describe in writing). A description or treatise of diseases.

**NOSOLOGY** (*νόσος*, disease, *λόγος*, description). An arrangement of diseases according to their classes, orders, genera, and species.

**NOSTALGIA** (*νόστος*, a return, *ἄλγος*, pain). Home-sickness; a vehement desire to return to one's country. *Nostomania* is the same morbid desire aggravated to madness. *Nostrassia* is a similar term, derived from *nostras*, of our country.

**NOSTRUM**. Literally, *our own*; a term applied to a quack medicine, and indicative of exclusiveness.

[**NOTENCEPHALUS** (*νωτος*, the back, *ἐγκέφαλος*, the brain). An epithet bestowed by G. St. Hilaire on monsters who have their head with the brain on their back.]

[**NOUFFERS' VERMIFUGE**. Three drachms of the root of the *male fern*, reduced to a fine powder, and mixed with water: this constitutes one dose. Two hours after taking the powder a bolus of calomel, scammony, and gamboge is to be administered.]

**NUCHA**. *Cervix*. The hind part or nape of the neck.

**NUCLEUS**. The kernel of a nut. The solid centre around which the particles of a crystal are aggregated. This term is applied to the centre of the red particles of the blood, and also to the pulp of the teeth.

1. *Nucleus cicatriculæ*. A granular mass situated beneath the germinal disk in the hen's egg, also called *cumulus proligerus*, or nucleus of the germinal disk.

2. *Nucleus germinativus*. The germinal spot found in the germinal vesicle of the ovum. It is synonymous with *macula germinativa*.

3. *Nucleus, in plants*. A pulpy conical mass, constituting the central part of the ovulum.

**NUCULA** (dim. of *nux*, a nut). A term applied by Desvaux to the fruit of the oak, the hazel, &c. It is commonly called *glans*.

**NUCULANIUM**. A superior, indehiscent, fleshy fruit, containing two or more cells, and several seeds, as the grape. By Desvaux it was called *bacca*; from which it differs, however, in being superior.





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**OAK-APPLE.** A well-known *gall*, of spongy texture, produced on the *Quercus pedunculata*. See *Nutgall*.

**OATS.** *Semina avenæ cruda*. The grains (caryopsides) of the *Avena sativa*, or Common Oat. When deprived of their integuments, they are called *groats* or *grutum*; and these, when crushed, are termed *Embden groats*. By grinding the oat, a farina is obtained, called *oat-meal*; and by boiling an ounce of this, with three quarts of water, to a quart, *water gruel* is prepared.

**OB.** A Latin preposition, employed in some botanical terms, and denoting *inversion*: thus, *obovate* means inversely ovate; *obcordate*, inversely cordate; *obconical*, inversely conical. Hence it is evident that this prefix must be restricted to terms which indicate that the upper and lower parts of a body are of a different width.

**OBESITY** (*obesus*, corpulent; from *ob* and *edo*, to eat). Fatness, corpulency; an excessive developement of fat in the body; it is synonymous with *polysarcia*. There are two varieties: viz.—

1. *General obesity*, extending over the body and limbs; a kind of dropsy of animal oil, instead of a dropsy of water.

2. *Splanchnic obesity*, confined to the organs. It most generally overloads the omentum, and gives that rotundity to the abdomen which is vulgarly called *pot-belly*, and described, in the person of Falstaff, as “a huge hill of flesh,”—“a globe of sinful continents.”

**OBLIQUUS.** Oblique or slanting; not direct, perpendicular or parallel.

1. *Obliquus externus*. A muscle of the abdomen, also called *descendens*, arising from the eight lowest ribs, and inserted into the *linea alba* and the *pubes*.

2. *Obliquus internus*. A muscle situated within the preceding, also called *ascendens* or *minor*, arising from the spine of the *ilium*, &c., and inserted into the cartilages of the seventh and all the false ribs, &c. This and the preceding muscle turn the trunk upon its axis, &c.

3. *Obliquus inferior*. A muscle which arises from the outer edge of the orbital process of the upper jaw-bone, and is inserted into the *sclerotica*. It is also called *brevissimus oculi*, from being the

shortest muscle of the eye. This and the following muscle are said to roll the eye, and have hence been named *circum-agentes*; and, from the expression they impart, *amatorii*.

4. *Obliquus superior*. A muscle which arises from the optic foramen, passes through the ring of the cartilaginous pulley which is in the margin of the socket, and is inserted into the *sclerotica*. It is also called *longissimus oculi*, from being the longest muscle of the eye: and *trochlearis*, from its passing through the *trochlea* or pulley.

**OBLITERATION** (*oblitero*, to efface). The closure of a canal or cavity of the body, by adhesion of its parietes.

**OBLIVION** (*obliviscor*, to forget). *Amnesia*. Forgetfulness; failure of memory.

**OBOMA'SUM.** The fourth stomach of the Ruminantia. See *Omasum*.

**OBSIDIANUM.** A species of glass, discovered by one Obsidius, in Ethiopia. Pliny says that Obsidianum was a sort of colour with which vessels were glazed; and Libavius applies the term to glass of antimony.

**OBSTETRIC** (*obstetrix*, a midwife). Belonging to midwifery. Pliny uses the term *obstetricia*, sc. *officia*, for the office of a midwife.

**OBS'TIPATIO** (*obstipo*, to stop up). A form of costiveness, in which the *feces* when discharged, are hard, slender, and often scybalous; one of the *epischeses* of Cullen.

**OBS'TIPUS** (*ob*, and *stipes*, a stake). Stiff, awry. Hence the term *caput obstipum*, for *torticollis*, or wry-neck.

**OBSTRUENTS** (*obstruo*, to shut up). Medicines which close the orifices of vessels, &c.

**OBTUNDENTS** (*obtundo*, to make blunt). Substances which sheathe, or blunt, irritation; a term applied by the humoral pathologists to remedies which are supposed to soften the acrimony of the humours.

**OBTURA'TOR** (*obturo*, to stop up). The name of two muscles of the thigh, and of a nerve, [an artery, vein, foramen, and ligament]:—

1. *Obturator externus*, arising from the obturator foramen, &c., and inserted into the root of the *trochanter major*. It is



sometimes called *rotator femoris extrorsum*.

2. *Obturator internus*, arising and inserted as the externus, and formerly called *marsupialis* or *bursalis*. This and the preceding muscle move the thigh backwards, and roll it upon its axis.

3. *Nervus obturatorius*. The obturator nerve, which comes principally from the second and third lumbar nerves, and sometimes from the fourth.

[4. *Obturator artery*. This arises most commonly from the hypogastric, but not unfrequently from the epigastric.

[5. *Obturator vein*. This corresponds generally to the artery.

[6. *Obturator or thyroid foramen*. A large oval foramen between the ischium and pubis.

[7. *Obturator ligament or membrane*. A tendino-fibrous membrane stretched across the obturator foramen, having an opening in the upper part for the passage of the obturator vessels and nerve.]

**OBVOLUTE**. A form of vernation or æstivation, in which the margins of one leaf alternately overlap those of the leaf which is opposite to it.

[**OCCIPITAL**. Belonging to the occiput.]

**OCCIPITO-FRONTALIS**. The name of a muscle which arises from the transverse ridge of the occipital bone, passes over the upper part of the cranium, and is inserted into the orbicularis palpebrarum and the skin under the eyebrows. A slip, sometimes called *pyramidalis nasi*, goes down over the nasal bones, and is fixed by its base to the compressor nasi. This muscle has been also termed *epicranius*, *biventer*, or *digastricus capitis*, &c. It raises the eyebrow, wrinkles the forehead, &c.

**OCCIPUT** (*ob caput*). The back part of the head; the part opposite to the front or *sinciput*.

*Os occipitis*. The occipital bone, situated at the posterior, middle, and inferior part of the skull. It was termed by Soemmering *pars occipitalis ossis spheno-occipitalis*, because he considered the sphenoid and occipital as but one bone, they being never found separate in the adult.

**OCCCLUSIO** (*occludo*, to close up). [Occlusion.] Total or partial closure of a vessel, cavity, or hollow organ.

1. *Occlusio pupillæ lymphatica*. Closure of the pupil by an adventitious membrane.

2. *Occlusio pupillæ cum synechiâ posteriori*. Closure of the pupil, with adhesion

of its margin to an opaque capsule, the lens being at the same time generally, if not always, opaque; a consequence of iritis.

**OCCULT** (*occultus*). Hidden: as applied to *diseases*, the causes and treatment of which are not understood; or to *qualities* of bodies, which do not admit of any rational explanation.

**OCHRE** (*ὄχρος*, pale). An argillaceous earth, impregnated with iron of a *red* or *yellow* colour; used in painting.

**OCHREA**. Literally, a boot. A membranous tube sheathing the stem of rhubarb and other plants, and consisting of two stipules cohering by their margins.

**OCTA'NA** (*octo*, eight). Sub. *febris*. An erratic intermitting fever, which returns every eighth day.

**OCTANDRIA** (*ὀκτώ*, eight, *ἀνήρ*, a male). The eighth class of plants in the Linnæan system, characterized by their flowers having eight stamens. Hence—*Octandrous*, having eight stamens of nearly equal length.

*Octo-gynia* (*γυνή*, a female). The name given by Linnæus to those orders of plants which have eight pistils in their flowers.

**OCULAR SPECTRES**. *Phantasmata*. Imaginary objects floating before the eyes, and assuming the form of muscæ volitantes, net-work, sparks, iridescent appearance, &c.

**OCULIST** (*oculus*, the eye). One who practices in diseases of the eye.

[**OCYTOCIC** (*οξύς*, quick, *τοκος*, labour). That which quickens parturition.]

**ODAXISMUS** (*ὀδαξέω*, to bite). Pain or irritation of the gums, indicating the period of teething.

**ODOUS** (*ὀδούς*, *ὀδόντος*). *Dens*. The Greek term for a tooth.

1. *Odont-agra* (*ἄγρα*, a seizure). Gout in the teeth; pain in the teeth, as a sequela of gout or rheumatism.

2. *Odont-algia* (*ἄλγος*, pain). Tooth-ache; pain in the teeth. Remedies for the tooth-ache are called *odontalgics*.

3. *Odontiasis*. Dentition, or the cutting of teeth.

4. *Odont-oïdes* (*εἶδος*, likeness). Tooth-like; the name of a process of the *dentata*, or second vertebra.

**ŒDE'MA** (*οἴδημα*, from *οιδέω*, to swell). Literally, a swelling of any kind; but now confined to a swelling of a dropsical nature, situated in the cellular tissue, and commonly called watery swelling or puffing. The affection, when extensive, and accompanied with a general dropsical tendency, is termed *anasarca*.



**ŒNANTHE CROCATĀ.** Hemlock-dropwort, or Dead-tongue; the most energetic of the narcotico-acrid *Umbelliferous* plants. It has been called *five-fingered root*.

**ŒNANTHIC ETHER** (*οἶνος*, wine, *ἄλθος*, flower). An oily liquid, which gives the characteristic odour to all wines.

**Œnanthic acid.** An acid found in the foregoing compound, in combination with ether.

**ŒNANTHYLIC ACID.** An acid procured by the action of nitric acid on castor oil.

[**ŒNOTHERA BIENNIS.** Tree Primrose, Evening Primrose, Scabish, Scabious. An indigenous plant, the bark of which is mucilaginous and astringent, and a decoction of it has been beneficially employed by Dr. R. E. Griffith in infantile eruptions, in tetter, &c.]

**ŒSOPHAGUS** (*οἶω*, *οἶδω*, to carry, *φάγω*, to eat). The carrier of food; the gullet; a musculo-membranous canal, extending from the lower part of the pharynx to the superior orifice of the stomach.

1. **Œsophageal cords.** Two elongated cords, formed of the pneumogastric nerves, which descend along the œsophagus.

2. **Œsophageal glands.** A name sometimes given to the mucous follicles of the œsophagus.

3. **Œsophago-tomy** (*τομή*, section). The operation of cutting into the œsophagus, for the purpose of extracting any foreign body.

**ŒSTRUS** (*οἶστρος*). The Breeze, or Gad-fly; a variety of *ascaris*, the larvæ of which, called *bots*, are found convoluted in the mucus and fæces of man, but more generally in those of the horse.

**OFFICINAL** (*officina*, a shop). A term applied to any medicines directed by the colleges to be kept in the shops.

**OFFSET.** *Propagulum.* A short branch of certain herbaceous plants, which is terminated by a tuft of leaves, and is capable of taking root when separated from the parent plant, as in House-leek. It differs little from the *runner*.

**OIL** (*oleum*, from *olea*, the olive). The designation of a number of unctuous liquors, which give a greasy stain to paper. These have been divided into the fixed oils and the volatile oils.

1. **Fixed Oils.** These are comparatively fixed in the fire, and give a permanently greasy stain to paper. The term *philosopher's oil* was formerly given to them when acrid and empyreumatic; and oil

of brick, from their being sometimes obtained in this state, by steeping hot brick in oil, and submitting it to distillation. They are vegetable or animal.

1. **Vegetable Oils;** obtained from vegetables by expression, with or without heat: in the latter case they are termed *cold-drawn*. Some of them lose their limpidity on exposure to the air, and are hence called *drying oils*.

2. **Animal Oils;** obtained from animals, by boiling. They are *solid* or *fluid*.

2. **Volatile Oils.** These are so called from their evaporating, or flying off, when exposed to the air; they are also called *essential*, from their constituting the chief ingredient, or *essence*, of the vegetable from which they are obtained; the other parts being considered as an useless *caput mortuum*.

**OIL OF SPIKENARD.** Grass oil of Namur; a volatile oil, yielded by the *Andropogon calamus aromaticus*. It is not the spikenard of the ancients, which Professor Royle conceives to be the *Nardostachys Jatamansi*. The name of the oil of spikenard is, therefore, incorrect.

**OIL OF WINE.** *Heavy oil of wine.* The *Oleum æthereum* of the pharmacopœia. See *Etherole*.

**OLD OIL.** The name given by watch-makers to olive oil, after it has been purified and reduced to limpidity.

**OLEA DESTILLATA.** Distilled, volatile, or essential oils. The British pharmacopœia directs these to be prepared by distillation only; the French Codex orders several of them to be prepared by expression.

**Olea expressa.** Expressed or fixed oils. These are obtained from animal matter by fusion, and from vegetables by expression, or decoction with water.

**OLEACEÆ.** The Olive tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with leaves opposite; flowers regular, monopetalous, hermaphrodite, or diœcious; *stamens* two; *ovarium* simple, superior, 2-celled; *seeds* pendulous.

**Olea Europæa.** The European Olive, the products of which are a resiniform exudation, called *lecca gum*; and a drupaceous fruit, which in the unripe state constitutes the *olive* of commerce, and in the ripe state yields *olive oil*.

**OLEAGINOUS** (*oleum*, oil). That which contains, or resembles, oil.

**OLECRANON** (*ὠλένη*, the ulna, *κράνον*, the head). The large *apophysis*, constituting the elbow, or head of the ulna.

**OLEFIANT GAS** (*oleum*, oil, *ἴω*, to





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1. The *hepato-gastric*, or *smaller omentum*, surrounding the liver, and passing to the stomach.

2. The *great omentum*, surrounding the stomach, and returning to the transverse colon.

3. The *colic omentum*, surrounding the transverse colon, and passing backward to the vertebral column.

4. The *gastro-splenic omentum*, connecting the spleen to the stomach.

OMNIVOROUS (*omnis*, all, *voro*, to devour). A term applied to animals which feed on *all* substances indifferently. A synonymous, though unclassical, term is *omnivorous*.

OMO- (*ὤμος*, the shoulder). Words compounded with this term belong to muscles attached to the scapula.

1. *Om-agra* (*ἄγρα*, a seizure). Gout in the shoulder; pain of the shoulder.

2. *Omo-hyoideus*. The name of a muscle which arises from the shoulder, and is inserted into the os hyoides. It depresses that bone and the lower jaw.

3. *Omo-plata* (*πλατὺς*, broad). A name of the scapula, or shoulder-blade.

OMPHALOCÉLE (*ὀμφαλός*, umbilicus, *κῆλη*, a tumour). A rupture, or hernia at the umbilicus.

1. *Omphalo-mesenteric*. The name of the vessels which, at an early period of uterine life, are seen to pass from the umbilicus to the mesentery. They are the first developed vessels of the germ.

2. *Omphalo-tomia* (*τομή*, section). The separation of the umbilical cord, or navel-string.

OMPHALODIUM (*ὀμφαλός*, the umbilicus). A term applied by Turpin to the centre of the hilum of the seed, through which the nutrient vessels pass to the embryo.

ONEIRODYNIA (*ὄνειρος*, a dream, *ὀδύνη*, pain). Disturbed imagination during sleep, comprehending *nightmare* and *somnambulism*.

ONISCUS ASELLUS. The Woodlouse, or slater, the name of an insect, otherwise called *millepede*; it is found in rotten wood, and has obtained a place in the pharmacopœia as a medicinal agent, but it is seldom used in this country.

ONYCHIA (*ὄνυξ*, the nail). An abscess near the nail of the finger. [See *Whitlow*.]

ONYX (*ὄνυξ*, the nail). *Unguis*. A small collection of pus in the anterior chamber of the aqueous humour, so named from its being shaped like a nail; it is of the same nature as *hypopyum*. Some denote, by this term, a small abscess between the layers of the cornea.

OPACITY (*opacitas*, from *opacus*, opaque). Popularly, *film*. Any change which affects the transparency of the cornea, from a slight film to an intense whiteness, like that of marble or chalk. Opacities are distinguished into *leucoma* or *albugo*, the denser form; *nebula*, or haziness, the slighter form; and *macula*, a small patch or speck.

OPAL. A stone, distinguished by the name *precious opal*, of which there are several varieties, found in different parts of Europe. Some have the property of emitting various coloured rays; these are distinguished by lapidaries, by the term *Oriental*; and by mineralogists, by that of *nobilis*. Opal is almost entirely composed of silica.

OPERATION. Any exercise of the surgical art performed by the hand, or by the assistance of instruments. It is termed—

1. *Simple*, when one kind of operation only is required, as incision, &c

2. *Complicated*, when it consists of more than one kind, as in the operation for cataract, requiring incision, extraction, &c.

OPERCULATE. Having an operculum or lid.

OPERCULUM (*operio*, to shut up). A cover or lid; a term applied to the *lid-like* extremity of the pitcher-like leaf of *Nepenthes* and *Sarracenia*; also to the *lid* which closes the sporangium of mosses.

OPHIASIS (*ὄφης*, a serpent). A term applied by Celsus to a variety of *Area*, which spreads in a *serpentine* form, round both sides of the head, from the occiput. That which spreads in irregular patches, he denominates *alopecia*.

[OPHIDIA (*ὄφης*, a serpent). An order of the class Reptilia, comprising the serpent tribe.]

OPHIOSTOMA (*ὄφης*, a serpent, *στόμα*, a mouth). A genus of intestinal worms, having their mouths furnished with two lips; one species has been found in the human subject.

OPHTHALMIA (*ὀφθαλμός*, the eye). Inflammation of the eye.

1. *Catarrhal ophthalmia*. Arising from atmospheric causes, and popularly designated by the terms *cold*, or *blight*; the expression *ophthalmia mucosa* denotes the increased mucous discharge, which accompanies it. It is seated in the conjunctiva.

2. *Purulent ophthalmia*. Acute ophthalmia, attended with a puriform secretion. This is the *blepharo-blennorrhœa*



and *ophthalmo-blennorrhœa* of Schmidt and Beer. Its forms are—

1. *Purulent ophthalmia of infants*. This is the *ophthalmia neonatorum*; or the "purulent eye" of children.
2. *Purulent ophthalmia after infancy*. This is the *Egyptian ophthalmia*, so called from being endemic in Egypt, and brought to Europe by the French and English troops; *contagious ophthalmia*, &c.
3. *Gonorrhœal ophthalmia*. This is the *blepharophthalmia*, and *ophthalmia gonorrhœica vera* of Beer.
3. *Rheumatic ophthalmia*. Inflammation chiefly confined to the sclerotica, and caused by exposure to cold.
4. *Catarrho-rheumatic ophthalmia*. An active external inflammation, embracing the mucous and fibrous coats of the eye.
5. *Erysipelatous ophthalmia*. A modification of conjunctival inflammation, and attended with erysipelatous redness and swelling of the palpebræ, and the surrounding parts.
6. *Pustular ophthalmia*. Inflammation of the mucous membrane, attended with the formation of pustules, and constituting an intermediate link between catarrhal and strumous inflammation.
7. *Scrofulous or strumous ophthalmia*. An external inflammation of the eye, occurring in scrofulous subjects.
8. *Variolous ophthalmia*. Occurring in small-pox; *morbillous*, occurring in measles; and *scarlatinous*, in scarlet fever.
9. *External ophthalmia*. Inflammation of the outer coats of the eye; the *ophthalmitis externa idiopathica* of Beer. The modifications of this species are called *ophthalmia levis*, *ophthalmia angularis*, *taraxis*, and sometimes *chemosis*, and *ophthalmia sicca*.
10. *Internal ophthalmia*. Idiopathic inflammation of the internal textures of the eyeball.

[11. *Ophthalmitis*. This term is at present applied to inflammation involving nearly all the tissues of the eye-ball. It occurs sometimes in connection with phlebitis, puerperal fever, gout, rheumatism, &c., and is then designated as phlebitis, puerperal, arthritic, or rheumatic ophthalmitis].

**OPHTHALMODYNIA** (*ὀφθαλμὸς*, the eye, *ὀδύνη*, pain). Pain of the eye, producing a sensation as if the ball were forcibly compressed. Neuralgia of the orbit.

**OPHTHALMOPLEGIA** (*ὀφθαλμὸς*, the eye, *πλήσσω*, to strike). Paralysis of one

or more of the muscles of the eye; a local complication of amaurosis.

**OPHTHALMOPTOSIS** (*ὀφθαλμὸς*, the eye, *πτῶσις*, prolapsus). Prolapsus of the globe of the eye. This term is applied by Beer, when the displacement is caused by division of the nerves and muscles of the orbit, or by paralysis of the latter.

**OPIANE**. *Narcotine*. A new principle called *Salt of Derosne*, from its discoverer; it is procured by digesting opium in sulphuric ether.

**OPIATE** (*opiatum*, sc. *medicamentum*). An anodyne; a medicine which acts like opium, in producing sleep, &c.

**OPISTHOTONOS** (*ὀπισθεν*, backwards, *τείνω*, to bend). Tetanus of the extensor muscles, the body being rigidly bent backwards. See *Emprosthotonos*.

**OPIUM** (*ὀπὸς*, juice; quasi, *the juice par excellence*). The juice which exudes from incisions made into the half-ripe capsule of the *Papaver somniferum*. The following table shows in what proportion opium is contained in some compound medicines of the [United States] Pharmacopœia:—

1. *Confectio Opii*, in about thirty-six grains, contains one grain of opium.
  2. *Pilulæ Saponis compositæ*, in five grains, contain one grain of opium.
  3. *Pulvis Cretæ compositus cum Opio*, Lond., in two scruples, contains one grain of opium.
  4. *Pulvis Ipecacuanhæ compositus*, in ten grains, contains one grain of opium.
  5. *Pulvis Kino compositus*, Lond., in one scruple, contains one grain of opium.
- OPOBALSAMUM** (*ὀπὸς*, juice, *balsamum*, balsam). *Balsam of Mecca*. The most valued of all the balsams, yielded by the wounded bark of the *Protium gileadense*.

**OPOCALPASUM**. A dark-coloured bitter balsam. The tree which yields it, is not ascertained.

**OPODELDOC**. A solution of soap in alcohol, with the addition of camphor, and volatile oils.

**OPOPONAX**. A fetid gum resin formed of the milky juice which exudes from the wounded root of the *Opoponax chironium*, a plant of the order *Umbelliferae*. It occurs in *lumps*, and in *tears*.

**OPPILATION** (*oppilo*, to close up). Obstruction; the closing of a cavity by adhesion of its parietes. The term *oppilatives* has been applied to remedies which close the pores.

**OPPONENS POLLICIS**. A muscle which arises from the annular ligament



of the wrist, &c., and is inserted into the thumb. It brings the thumb inwards, so as to oppose the fingers.

**OPTIC** (*ὄπτρομαί*, to see). Belonging to the sight; a term applied to the second pair of nerves, to two *thalami* of the brain, &c.

**OPTICS** (*ὄπτρομαί*, to see). That branch of natural philosophy which treats of the properties of *light* and *vision*. It is distinguished into—

1. *Optics*, properly so called, which treats of *direct* vision.

2. *Catoptrics*, which treats of *reflected* vision, or the progress of rays of light after they are reflected from plane and spherical surfaces, and of the formation of images from objects placed before such surfaces.

3. *Dioptrics*, which treats of *refracted* vision, or the progress of rays of light which enter into transparent bodies, and are transmitted through their substance.

**ORA SERRATA**. A *serrated* border, or dentated line, constituting the posterior edge of the ciliary processes.

**ORANGEADE**. Essence of orange-peel, added to lemon-juice, with water and sugar.

**ORANGE PEAS**. The young unripe fruit of the *Citrus Aurantium*, or Sweet Orange, dried, and turned in a lathe, constituting the *issue peas* of the shops.

**ORANGE-SKIN**. An orange hue of the skin, chiefly observed in newly-born infants, and improperly termed *epheleis lutea* by Sauvages.

**ORBICULARE OS** (*orbiculus*, a little orb). *Os lenticulare*. The small orbed bone of the ear, articulating with the head of the stapes.

**ORBICULARIS**. The name of two muscles of the face:—

1. *Orbicularis oris*, a muscle constituting the substance of the lips, and often termed *constrictor oris*, *sphincter*, or *osculator*. It has been considered as consisting of two semicircular muscles, called the *semi-orbicularis superior* and *inferior*. The *nasalis labii superioris* is a small slip of this muscle, sometimes extending to the tip of the nose.

2. *Orbicularis palpebrarum*, a muscle arising from the outer edge of the orbital process, and inserted into the nasal process of the superior maxillary bone. It shuts the eye.

**ORBICULUS CILIARIS**. *Annulus* or *circulus ciliaris*. The white circle formed by the ciliary ligament, marking the distinction between the choroid and iris. A similar circle defines the boundary of the cornea.

**ORBIT** (*orbita*, an orbit, a track). The cavity under the forehead, in which the eye is fixed. The angles of the orbit are called *canthi*.

**ORCHELLA**. Dyers' Orchil. The *Rocella tinctoria*, a cryptogamic plant of the order *Lichenes*, which yields the colouring matter called *orchil* or *archil*.

1. *Orcin*. A colourless substance obtained from the *Lichen dealbatus*, and assuming a deep violet colour when exposed to the joint action of ammonia and air, owing to the formation of *orcein*.

2. *Orcein*. A red colouring principle found in *archil*, and referred by Dr. Kane to a mixture of two substances, differing in their proportion with the age of the archil; these he calls *alpha-orcein* and *beta-orcein*, the latter being produced by oxidation of the former.

**ORCHIS** (*ὄρχις*). The testis. Hence, the term *mon-orchid* denotes a person possessed of only one testis.

1. *Orchitis*. Inflammation of the testis; a term adopted by Dr. M. Good, as more appropriate than the unmeaning name *hernia humoralis*.

2. *Orcho-tomy* (*τομή*, section). Castration; the operation of extirpating one or both of the testes.

**ORCHIS MASCULA**. The Male Orchis; a plant, from the tubers of which is prepared the substance called *salep*, so remarkable as the source of *bassorine*.

**ORENBURGH GUM**. *Gummi Orenburgense*. A gum which issues from the medullary part of the trunk of the *Pinus larix*, when the larch forests in Russia take fire.

**ORES**. The mineral bodies from which metals are extracted. These are termed *sulphurets*, when combined with sulphur; *oxides*, when combined with oxygen; and *salts*, when combined with acids.

**ORGAN** (*ὄργανον*). A part which has a determinate office in the animal economy. There are organs—

1. Of *Circulation*, as the heart, the arteries, veins, capillaries, &c.

2. Of *Absorption*, as the lymphatic vessels and glands, the lacteals, &c.

3. Of *Sensation*, as the eye, ear, nose, tongue, skin, the muscles, &c.

4. Of *Digestion*, as the mouth, the stomach, the intestines, &c.

5. Of *Respiration*, as the lungs, the trachea, the bronchia, &c.

6. Of the *Voice*, as the larynx, the cartilages and muscles of the throat, &c.

7. Of *Secretion*, as the liver, for the secretion of the bile; the kidneys for that





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branch of geology which comprehends the study of *fossils*, or organic remains. It is sometimes known by the name *orycto-gnosy*, from *γνώσις*, knowledge or science.

**ORYZA SATIVA.** The grain, or rather the endosperm of the seed of rice, used for making ptisans, &c.

**OS, ORIS.** A mouth; a passage or entrance into any place.

1. *Os tinæ.* The tench's mouth; the os uteri, or orifice of the uterus.

2. *Os externum.* The entrance of the vagina; so named to distinguish it from the *os internum*, or orifice of the uterus.

**OS, OSSIS.** A bone; a portion of the skeleton, constituting a *passive* organ of locomotion, as distinguished from a muscle, or *active* organ of this faculty. See *Tissue of Bones*.

1. *Ossa longa vel cylindrica.* The long or cylindrical bones, occurring in the limbs. Their middle part is called the *body* or *diaphysis*, and their centre is traversed by a cylindrical cavity, called the *medullary canal*.

2. *Ossa lata vel plana.* The flat or broad bones, which protect important viscera, or form the walls of certain cavities, as those of the cranium.

3. *Ossa crassa.* The short bones, generally of a globular, tetrahedral, cuboidal, cuneiform, or polyhedral form, and occurring in the tarsus, the carpus, and the vertebral column.

4. *Processes of bones.* The name given to certain eminences by which the surface of bones is frequently surmounted. The following is an enumeration of the different kinds of processes, together with their peculiar characters:—

5. Processes which belong to the movable articulations are termed *heads*, when they are nearly hemispherical; and *condyles*, when they are broader in one direction than in the others.

6. Processes which belong to the immovable articulations, are termed *serræ* or *dentations*, as in the bones of the cranium; *roots*, as in the teeth; and *ridges*, as in those articulations called *schindyleses*.

7. Processes which serve for the insertion of fibrous organs, whose points of attachment they multiply, are termed—

1. According to their general form; *impressions* or irregular eminences, not much elevated, but rather broad, and formed of a great number of small tubercles placed very close together, and separated by slight depressions; *lines*, or unequal emi-

nences, long, but not very prominent; *crests*, or eminences resembling lines, but broader and more prominent; *prominences*, when rounded, broad, and smooth; and *tuberosities*, when rounded and rough.

2. After the bodies to which they have been compared; *spinous processes*, of the form of a spine; *styloid*, resembling a style or pen; *coracoïd*, like a crow's beak; *odontoïd*, like a tooth; and *mastoid*, like a nipple.

3. According to their uses; *trochanters*, or those which are subservient to the act of turning; and *orbital*, belonging to the orbit, &c.

4. According to their direction and relative situation; *ascending processes*, *vertical*, *transverse*, *superior*, &c.

8. Processes which serve for the reflection of certain tendons which deviate from their original direction, are termed *processes of reflection*.

9. Processes which correspond to cavities existing on the surface of some organs are called *processes of impression*.

10. *Membrane of bones.* A dense fibrous membrane, surrounding the bones in their fresh state, except at the surfaces by which they are articulated to each other; on the skull it is called *pericranium*; on the cartilages, *perichondrium*; on the bones in general, *periosteum*.

**OSCHEOCELE** (*ὄσχεον*, the scrotum, *κῆλη*, a tumour). A hernia which has descended into the scrotum.

**OSCILLATION** (*oscillum*, an image hung on ropes, and swung up and down in the air). A term applied by Boerhaave to muscular irritability. See *Irritability*.

**OSCILLATORIA.** A filamentous Algaeous plant, interesting to the physiologist, as exhibiting the first traces of organic contractility in its simplest condition.

**OSCILLATORIUS.** [Oscillating.] Versatile, or that which is slightly attached by its middle to any body, so that the two halves are balanced, and swung backwards and forwards; a term applied to the *anther* of certain plants.

**OSCITANCY** (*oscito*, to gape; from *osciere*, to stretch the mouth). Yawning, or gaping.

**OSULATOR** (*osculator*, to kiss). A name given to the *orbicularis oris*, or muscle forming the substance of the lips.

**OSMAZOME** (*ὄσμη*, odour, *ζωμός*, broth). *Alcoholic extract of meat.* An alcoholic extract obtained from muscular fibre, brain, &c., having the taste and smell of broth.



**OSMIUM** (*ὄσμη*, odour). A new metal lately discovered by Mr. Tennant among platina, and so named by him from the pungent and peculiar smell of its oxide.

*Osmic acid.* The volatile oxide of osmium, of extremely acid and penetrating odour.

**OSSA ALBA.** *White bones.* The name given by Van Helmont to the precipitate formed by the natural salt of the urine, in the production of calculus. It was called by Paracelsus, *tartar*.

**OSSICULUM** (dim. of *os*, *ossis*, a bone). A little bone. Hence the *ossicula auditûs*, a series of four small bones contained in the cavity of the tympanum, viz. the malleus, the incus, the orbiculare os, and the stapes; they are subservient to the propagation of sound.

**OSSIFICATION** (*os*, *ossis*, a bone, *fi*, to become). The formation of bone; the deposition of calcareous phosphate, or carbonate on the soft solids of animal bodies.

**OSTEO-** (*ὀστέον*, a bone). A prefix denoting the presence of bone.

1. *Osteo-anabrosis* (*ἀνάβρωσις*, absorption). A name given by Dr. Cumin to the simple absorption of bone, unaccompanied by secretion of pus. It is by this process that Nature produces the removal of the milk-teeth, &c.

2. *Osteo-geny* (*γένεσις*, formation). The growth of bones.

3. *Osteo-graphy* (*γράφω*, to describe). A description of the bones.

4. *Osteo-logy* (*λόγος*, an account). A treatise of the bones.

5. *Osteoma.* Bony tumour; a calcareous concretion, occasionally found in the brain.

6. *Osteo-malacia* (*μάλακός*, soft). Softening of the bones, or rachitis.

7. *Osteo-pædion* (*παιδίον*, a child). *Lithopædion.* An osseous or stony mass into which the fœtus is sometimes found to have been converted in the uterus.

8. *Osteo-sarcoma* (*σὰρξ*, flesh). *Osteo-sarcosis.* The growth of a fleshy, medullary, or cartilaginous mass within a bone.

9. *Ost-hexia* (*ἕξις*, a habit). Ossific diathesis; an affection in which soft parts become indurated by a deposit of ossific matter.

10. *Ost-itis.* Inflammation of a bone.

[*Osteotomist.* An instrument for breaking up the bones of the child's head, particularly at the base of the skull, so as to enable the operator to extract the fœtus through a narrow pelvis]

**OSTIOLUM** (dim. of *ostium*, a door).

A little door; the orifice of the perithecium of some Fungaceous plants, as sphæria.

**OSTIUM** (*os*, the mouth). The door of a chamber, the mouth of a river.

1. *Ostium abdominale.* The orifice at the fimbriated extremity of the Fallopian tube,—the only place in the whole body where a serous membrane communicates with the exterior.

2. *Osteum uterinum.* The orifice at the uterine extremity of the Fallopian tube.

**OSTREA EDULIS** (*ὄστρακον*, a shell). The common edible Oyster, a Conchiferous Molluscous animal.

*Testæ præparatæ.* Prepared oyster-shells. The shells are freed from impurities by boiling water, then crushed and pulverized previous to elutriation. They consist principally of carbonate of lime, and therefore possess the same medicinal properties as chalk.

**OTALGIA** (*ὄυς*, *ὠτὸς*, the ear, *ἄλγος*, pain). *Otitis.* Ear-ache; pain in the ear. It has been distinguished into—

1. *Externa*, which generally suppurates, and forms what is vulgarly called an *imposteme* or *imposthume* in the head—a term corrupted from *aposteme*. It sometimes becomes chronic, and is then called *otorrhœa*.

2. *Interna*, or internal imposteme.

**OCTOCONITE** (*ὀκτῆς*, *ὠτὸς*, the ear, *κόνις*, dust). A calcareous deposit found in the sacs of the vestibule, analogous to the otoliths, or calcareous crystalline masses found in the vestibular sac of fishes.

**OTOLITES** (*ὀυς*, *ὠτὸς*, the ear, *λίθος*, a stone). Calcareous concretions found in the labyrinth of fishes and fish-like amphibia, which, by being in contact with the membranous parts of the labyrinth, increase by their resonance the sonorous vibrations.

[**OTOPLASTICE** (*ὀυς*, the ear, *πλαστικός*, forming). Plastic operation for the restoration of the ear.]

**OTORRHŒA** (*ὀυς*, *ὠτὸς*, the ear, *ῥέω*, to flow). The designation of *otitis*, when it has passed into a chronic state; it then becomes an otitic catarrh.

**OTTO** or **ATTAR OF ROSES.** Prepared from the petals of the damask and other roses, by distillation, exposing the product to the night air, and skimming off the fine oil floating on the surface.

**OURETIC ACID** (*οὔρον*, urine). A supposed new acid of Proust and Bergmann, shown by Klaproth to be biphosphate of soda.

[**OVAL.** See *Ovum*.]



**OVARIUM** (*ovum*, an egg). An organ containing the ova of animals. The ovaries of the human subject, formerly called *testes muliebres*, are two small oval bodies placed in the substance of the broad ligaments.

*Ovarium, in plants.* The hollow case at the base of the pistil, inclosing the ovules. It is said to be *inferior*, when the tube of the calyx contracts an adhesion with its sides; *superior*, when no such adhesion exists; consequently, an inferior ovary involves a *superior calyx*; a superior ovary, an *inferior calyx*. When an ovary adheres to the calyx merely by its back, it is termed *parietal*.

*Ovate.* Egg-shaped; oblong or elliptical, and broadest at the lower end.

**OVICAPSULE.** The capsule of the ovum, which in many invertebrata is insulated from the proper tissue of the ovary, and may even escape with the ovum; but, in the oviparous vertebrata, coalesces with the theca of the ovary, forming there what is termed the *calyx*.

**OVIPAROUS.** See *Ovum*.

**OVULIGER** (*ovulum*, a little egg, *gero*, to bear). The name of a new kind of hydatid, supposed to be formed in the articulation of the wrist. See *Hydatid*.

**OVULUM** (dim. of *ovum*, an egg). A little egg; a term commonly used synonymously with *ovum*. See *Ovum*.

1. *Ovula Graafiana.* Serous vesicles found in the structure of the ovarium—the ova in which the future embryo is developed.

2. *Ovula of Naboth.* [Glandulæ Nabothi.] Small vesicles found in and around the os uteri, and mistaken by Naboth for ova.

3. *Ovule of plants.* A small pulpy body borne by the placenta, and gradually changing into a seed. It consists of two tunics and a nucleus.

**OVUM.** An egg; a small vesicle within the ovarium, containing the embryo, or rudiments of the fœtus.

1. *Ovalis.* Egg-like. Hence the term *ovale* is applied to a *foramen* between the auricles in the fœtus.

2. *Ovi-duct* (*ductus*, a canal). A name sometimes given to the Fallopian tube, which conducts the ovum to the uterus.

3. *Ovi-parous* (*pario*, to bring forth). Animals which bring forth their young in the egg.

4. *Ovo-viviparous.* Animals which bring forth their young in a living state, the egg having been previously hatched within the body of the parent.

**OXALIC ACID.** An acid existing, in the form of an acid salt of potash, in many plants, particularly in the species of *Oxalis* and *Rumex*; combined with lime, it forms a part of several lichens.

**OXALIDACEÆ.** The Wood-sorrel tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants, undershrubs, or trees, with leaves alternate; flowers symmetrical; stamens hypogynous; fruit capsular.

*Oxalis Acetosella.* Common Wood-sorrel, a plant which yields the binoxalate of potash, or *salt of wood-sorrel*.

**OXAMIDE.** A white insoluble sublimate, obtained by decomposing oxalate of ammonia by heat. The term is derived from the first syllable of oxalic acid and ammonia.

**OXIDATION.** The process of converting metals or other substances into oxides, by combining with them a certain portion of oxygen. It differs from *acidification*, in the addition of oxygen not being sufficient to form an acid with the substance oxidated.

**OXIDES** (formerly called *calces*). Substances combined with oxygen, without being in the state of an acid. Oxides are distinguished by the prefixes—

1. *Proto* (*πρῶτος*, first), denoting the minimum of oxygen, as *protoxide*.

2. *Deuto* (*δευτερος*, second), denoting a second proportion, as *deutoxide*. This is also called *binoxide*.

3. *Trito* (*τρίτος*, third), denoting a third proportion, as *tritoxide*. This is also called *ter-oxide*.

4. *Per* (*very much*), denoting the maximum of oxidation, as *peroxide*.

**OXY-** (*ὄξύς*, acid). A prefix, denoting in some terms, the presence of *acidity*; in others, the presence of *oxygen*; in a third class of terms, *acuteness of sense* or *function*; and, lastly, *sharp-pointedness*.

1. *Oxy-gen* (*γεννάω*, to generate). A gas which forms about a fifth of atmospheric air, is capable of supporting flame, and is essential to the respiration of animals. Its present name was proposed by Lavoisier, from the supposition that it was the sole cause of acidity. It was called by Priestley *dephlogisticated air*; by Scheele, *empyreal air*; and by Condorcet, *vital air*.

2. *Oxygen Water.* A solution of oxygen in water. This must not be confounded with *oxygenated water*, which is the peroxide of hydrogen; nor with Searle's *oxygenous aerated water*, which is an aqueous solution of the protoxide of nitrogen.





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**PACHYDERMATA** (παχύς, thick, δέρμα, skin). Thick-skinned animals, as the elephant; the seventh order of the class Mammalia.

[**PACINIAN CORPUSCLES**. A name given by Henle and Kölliker, to small bodies connected with the nerves, first described by Pacini. They are found, in the human subject, in great numbers, in connexion with the nerves of the hand and foot, and sparingly on other spinal nerves, and on the plexuses of the sympathetic, but have not been observed on the nerves of motion. They are more or less oval, often elongated and bent, nearly transparent, and consist, first, of a series of membranous capsules, from thirty to sixty or more in number, enclosed one within the other; and secondly, of a single nervous fibre, of the tubular kind, enclosed in the stalk, and advancing to the central capsule, which it traverses from end to end. Their office is unknown.]

**PÆDOTROPHIA** (παῖς, a child, τρέφω, to nourish). That branch of hygiene which treats of the nourishment of infants and children.

**PAGINA**. Literally, a page of a book. A term applied to the surface of a leaf, the upper surface being called *pagina superior*; the lower surface, *pagina inferior*.

**PAINTERS' COLIC**. *Colica pictorum*. A species of colic incident to painters, from the use of lead.

*Painters' purge*. A medicine used in painters' colic, and consisting of a decoction of half an ounce of senna in a pound of water, mixed with half an ounce of sulphate of magnesia, and four ounces of the wine of antimony.

**PAKFONG**. The white copper of the Chinese, said to be an alloy of copper, nickel, and zinc.

**PALATUM**. *Fornix palati*. The palate, or upper wall of the mouth.

1. *Velum palati*. The soft palate; the posterior limit of the palate.

2. *Palato-labialis*. The name given by Chaussier to the external maxillary or facial artery.

3. *Palato-pharyngeus*, or thyro-staphylinus. A muscle which arises from the arch of the palate, and is inserted into the thyroid cartilage and the pharynx. It draws the uvula downwards and backwards, and closes the back of the nostrils. See *Salpingo-pharyngeus*.

4. *Palato-salpingeus*. A designation of the circumflexus palati muscle, from its origin and insertion.

[*Palatine*. Relating or belonging to the palate.]

**PALEA**. Chaff. The term *paleæ* is applied to the minute colourless bracts at the base of the florets of a capitulum; and to the floral envelope of grasses, which immediately surrounds the sexual organs. Hence—

*Paleaceous*. Chaffy, covered with palea, or membranous scales.

**PALLADIUM**. A new metal, found by Wollaston in the ore of platinum.

**PALLIATIVES** (*pallio*, to be concealed; from *pallium*, an upper garment worn by the Greeks). Medicines which produce merely temporary relief, thus palliating or *cloaking* the disease.

**PALLOR** (*palleo*, to be pale; from *πάλλω*, to quiver). Paleness, pale colour; the usual colour of those who quiver from fear or other cause.

**PALM OIL**. The produce of the palm called *Elais guineensis*, and, according to Burnett, of some species of *Bassia* and other Sapotaceæ.

**PALMA**. The palm of the hand; the internal soft part of the hand.

1. *Palmar arch*. A branch of the radial artery, which passes over the metacarpal bones. The *superficial palmar arch* is a continuation of the ulnar artery, which also crosses the metacarpus.

2. *Palmaris longus*. A muscle arising from the inner condyle of the os humeri, and spread out into the *palmar aponeurosis*, which is finally fixed to the roots of all the fingers. It is a flexor of the wrist.

3. *Palmaris brevis*. A muscle arising from the annular ligament of the wrist and the palmar aponeurosis, and inserted into the skin of the inner edge of the hand; it is sometimes called *palmaris cutaneus*. It contracts the skin of the palm.

**PALMA CHRISTI**. The *Ricinus Communis*, or castor oil plant.

**PALMACEÆ**. The Palm tribe of Monocotyledonous plants. Plants with an arborescent trunk, covered with the sheathing bases of leaves; *leaves* terminal, clustered, pinnate, or flabelliform; *flowers* hexapetaloidous; *stamens* definite; *ovarium* superior, 3-celled; *fruit* baccate, or drupaceous, with fibrous flesh.

**PALMATE**. A form of leaf, having fine lobes, with the midribs radiating from a common point at the base of the leaf, and resembling the palm of the hand.

*Palmatifid*. A variety of the palmate leaf, in which the lobes are divided as



far down as half the breadth of the leaf.

*Palmatipartite.* A variety of the palmate leaf, in which the lobes are divided beyond the middle, and the parenchyma is not interrupted.

*Palmatisected.* A variety of the palmate leaf, in which the lobes are divided down to the midrib, and the parenchyma is interrupted.

*Palmatilobate.* A variety of the palmate leaf, in which the leaves are divided to an uncertain depth.

**PALMINE.** A solid odorous fat, procured by the action of hyponitrous acid on castor oil.

**PALMIPEDES** (*palma*, the palm of the hand, *pes, pedis*, a foot). Web-footed animals, as the goose; the sixth order of the class *Aves*.

**PALMITIC ACID.** An acid obtained by decomposing a soap of the palm oil of commerce.

*Palmitine.* Palmitate of glyceryl.

**PALO DE VACA.** The Cow Tree, a native of the Caraccas, from which the *vegetable milk*, or glutinous or milky sap, is obtained by incision.

**PALPATION** (*palpo*, to feel). The act of feeling; manual examination, or a method of exploring the abdomen by touch and pressure, for the purpose of ascertaining its form, size, &c.

**PALPEBRA.** The eyelid. The utmost edge of the palpebra, out of which the hairs grow, is called *cilium*, a term also applied to the hairs themselves; while the eyebrow, or ridge of hair above the eyelid, is called *super-cilium*.

**PALPITATION** (*palpito*, to throb). An increase in the force or frequency of the heart's contraction, or in both. When this affection results from loss of blood, it is termed *reaction*.

**PALSY.** Paralysis.

**PAMPINIFORM** (*pampinus*, a tendril, *forma*, likeness). Resembling a tendril; as applied to the smaller veins of the spermatic cord, from their peculiar tendril-like arrangement.

**PAN-** (neuter gender of *πᾶς*, all).

*Panta.* All; every one. Hence—

1. *Pan-chrestus* (*χρηστός*, useful). A term applied to a medicine in the same sense as *panacea*, from its general usefulness.

2. *Pan-chymagogues* (*χυμῶδες*, juice, *ἄγω*, to expel). The former name of purgatives which caused evacuations mixed nearly equally with the humours of the intestinal canal. Thus, calomel was called *panchymagogum minerale*.

3. *Pan-demic* (*δῆμος*, the people). Affecting all the people of a district; a term synonymous with epidemic.

4. *Pant-agoga* (*ἄγω*, to expel). Medicines which expel all morbid matters; a term synonymous with *panchymagogues*.

5. *Panto-phobia* (*φόβος*, fear). A fear or dread of all things; a term used by the old writers as expressive of some of the symptoms of hydrophobia.

**PANACEA** (*πᾶν*, all, *ἰκέσθαι*, to heal). A universal remedy. A term formerly applied to remedies of high repute.

1. *Panacea anticancrosa.* The name given by Mr. Justamond to the liquid invented by him for external use in cancers; it partook considerably of the nature of the *tinctura ferri muriatis*, which, indeed, with an equal quantity of spirit of wine, was sometimes substituted for it.

2. *Panacea duplicata* vel *Holsatica.* The bisulphate of potassa.

3. *Panacea Glauberiana.* The Kermes mineral, a sulphuret of antimony.

4. *Panacea lapsorum.* This name has been given to *Arnica*, or Leopard's bane, a plant of the order *Compositæ*, from its long reputation in internal pains and congestions from bruises, or more probably in *prolapsus*.

5. *Panacea mercurialis.* Calomel; the sub-muriate or chloride of mercury.

6. *Panacea vegetabilis.* The *croci stigmata*, or saffron.

**PANADA** (*pane*, bread, Ital.). Bread pap; bread boiled in water to a proper consistence, as food for children.

**PANARIS** (*παρὰ*, near, *δνυξ*, the nail). *Panaritium*; a term probably corrupted from *paronychia*, or whitlow.

**PANAX QUINQUEFOLIUM.** An Araliaceous plant, the root of which constitutes the *American ginseng*, or *radix gingeng*. The *Asiatic ginseng*, or *radix ninsi*, is the root of the *Panax schinseng*.

**PANCREAS** (*πᾶν*, all, *κρέας*, flesh). A conglomerate gland, situated transversely across the posterior wall of the abdomen. In cattle it is called the *sweetbread*.

1. *Small pancreas.* A small glandular mass, frequently found beneath the pancreas, and of similar structure. The French term it *pancreas d'Aselli*.

2. *Pancreatic duct.* The duct formed by the union of the numerous excretory ducts proceeding from the lobules of the pancreas.

3. *Pancreatic juice.* The peculiar fluid secreted by the pancreas.

4. *Pancreat-algia* (*ἄλγος*, pain). Pain of the pancreas. The term is seldom used.



5. *Pancreat-itis*. Inflammation of the pancreas; from *pancreas*, and the terminal particle *itis*.

6. *Pancreat-oncus* (ὄγκος, tumour). Swelling of the pancreas; the *emphraxia pancreatis* of Swediaur.

PANDICULATIO (*pando*, to spread). [*Pandiculation*.] Stretching; elongation of the extensor muscles.

*Panduriform* (*Pandura*, a fiddle, *forma*, likeness). Fiddle-shaped; obovate, with a deep sinus on each side.

PANICLE (*panicula*, the woof wound round the quill in the shuttle). A form of inflorescence, in which the flower-buds of a raceme have in elongating developed other flower-buds, as in the oat. When the rachis of inflorescence separates irregularly into branches, so as to lose the form of an axis, this is called by Willdenow, a *deliquescent panicle*.

PANIFICATION (*panis*, bread, *fit*, to become). The process of making bread.

PANIS. Bread. The following terms are of usual occurrence:—*panis triticeus*, wheaten bread; *mica panis*, crumb of bread; *panis tostus*, toasted bread, for making toast-water; *panis furfuraceus*, brown or bran bread; *panis biscoctus*, biscuit; *panis nauticus*, sea-biscuit.

PANNICULUS CARNOSUS (*panniculus*, dim. of *pannus* a covering, and *caro*, *carnis*, flesh). A fleshy covering; a set of subcutaneous muscular bands, which serve to erect the "quills upon the fretful porcupine," the hedgehog, &c.

PANNUS. Literally, a piece of cloth, or a rag. The designation of that state of vascularity of the cornea, in which its mucous covering is so loosened and thickened as to present the appearance of a dense pellicle.

PAPAVERACEÆ. The Poppy tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants with leaves divided, alternate; flowers polypetalous, single on long peduncles; petals 4, or some multiple of 4, cruciate; stamens hypogynous; ovarium solitary; seeds numerous.

1. *Papaver somniferum*. The White Poppy, the capsules of which yield opium.

2. *Papaver rhœas*. The Corn or Red Poppy, the petals of which are used to impart their fine red colour to syrup.

PAPAW. The *Carica Papaya*, a tree with a milky juice, containing fibrin in such abundance, that the juice bears a most extraordinary resemblance to animal matter.

PAPER COAL. A bituminous shale, which separates into thin laminæ of coal, like paper.

PAPILIONACEOUS (*papilio*, a butterfly). A form of corolla resembling a butterfly, and found in all the leguminous plants of Europe. Of the five petals, the uppermost is dilated, and called *vexillum*, or the standard; the two lateral are contracted and parallel, and called *alæ*, or the wings: the two lower are contracted, parallel, generally coherent by their anterior margin, and termed *carina*, or the keel.

PAPILLA (dim. of *papula*, a pimple). A teat, or nipple. The term *papillæ* denotes the small eminences which constitutes the roughness of the upper surface of the tongue. They are distinguished as—

1. *Papillæ circumvallatæ*. Situated on the dorsum of the tongue, near its roof, and forming a row on each side, which meets its fellow at the middle line, like the two branches of the letter A. They resemble cones attached by the apex to the bottom of a cup-shaped depression, and are hence named *calyciformes*. This cup-shaped cavity forms a kind of fossa around the papillæ, and hence they are called *circumvallatæ*.

2. *Papillæ conicæ et filiformes*. Covering the whole surface of the tongue in front of the *circumvallatæ*, but most abundant at the tip; of a conical and filiform shape, with their points directed backward.

3. *Papillæ fungiformes*. Irregularly dispersed over the dorsum of the tongue, and having rounded heads.

PAPILLA CONICA. The small flattened prominence formed by the optic nerve in the interior of the globe, at its fundus.

PAPPUS (πάππος). The down or mossiness of the under lip, the cheek, &c. The botanical term for the feathery appendage which crowns the fruit of many Composite plants, and which is, in fact, a reduced calyx.

PAPULA ("of the matter or nature of pappus; from πάππος, the sprouting of down or buds, and ὕλη (*ulè* or *ibè*), matter."—Good). A pimple; a small, acuminated elevation of the cuticle, with an inflamed base, very seldom containing a fluid, or suppurating, and commonly terminating in scurf; it is the *ecthyma* and *exormia* of the Greeks. The varieties of papulous eruptions, according to Bateman, are scrophulus, lichen, and prurigo.

*Papulæ ardentes*. A term applied by Gotwald to the trailing vesications which occurred in the Dantzic plague, and





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**PARAFFIN.** *Petroline.* A particular hydro-carbon produced in the distillation of wood. Its name is derived from *parum affinis*, denoting its remarkable indifference to other bodies, in a chemical point of view.

**PARALLINIC ACID.** The name given by Batka to *smilacin*, the active principle of sarsaparilla.

**PAREIRA BRAVA.** Literally, *wild vine*; the root of the *Cissampelos Pareira*, employed in discharges from the urino-genital mucous membrane.

**PARIES, PARIETIS.** The wall of a house, or any other building.

1. *Parietal.* Belonging to the walls of an organ; the *placenta* of a plant is so called, when it is attached to the walls of the ovarium, as in poppy, violet, &c.

2. *Parietalia.* The name of the bones of the cranium, which serve as walls to the brain.

**PARIGLIN.** The name given by Pallotta to *similacin*, a principle of sarsaparilla.

**PARI-PINNATE.** Equally pinnate, abruptly pinnate; when the petiole of a pinnate is terminated by neither a leaflet nor a tendril. [When the petiole is terminated by a single leaflet or tendril, it is termed, *Impari-pinnate.*]

**PARTITE.** Parted or divided into a fixed number of segments, which are divided nearly down to the base, as applied to leaves: a leaf with two divisions is *bipartite*; with three *tripartite*; with many *pluripartite*, &c.

**PARTURIFACIENT** (*parturio*, to bring forth, *facio*, to cause). A medicine which excites uterine action, or facilitates parturition, as ergot.

**PARTURITION** (*parturio*, to bring forth). The act of bringing forth, or being delivered of, children.

**PAR VAGUM** (wandering pair). The name of the eighth pair of nerves, or pneumo-gastrie. See *Nerves*.

**PASTILLUS.** Literally, a perfumed or sweet ball. A medicine in the form of a small round ball; a lozenge.

[**PASTINACA OPOPONAX.** An European plant of the natural order Umbelliferæ, which yields the gum resin, *opoponax*, formerly employed as an antispasmodic, deobstruent, and emmenagogue.]

**PATE.** *Pasta.* A paste; a preparation of sugary and mucilaginous substances. *Pâte de guimauve* is a demulcent lozenge prepared from the root of the *Althæa officinalis*.

**PATE ARSENICALE.** Arsenical paste, composed of cinnabar, dragon's

blood, and arsenious acid, and employed to cauterize cancerous wounds.

**PATELLA** (dim. of *patina*, a pan). Literally, a small pan. The knee-pan.

**PATHETICI** (*πάθος*, passion). *Trochleares.* A name given by Willis to the fourth pair of nerves, because the eyes, by means of these, express certain passions.

[**PATHOGENY** (*πάθος*, disease, *γενεσις*, generation). That branch of pathology which relates to the origin and development of diseases.]

**PATHOGNOMONIC** (*πάθος*, disease, *γνώμων*, a discerner). A term applied to symptoms which are characteristic of, and peculiar to, a disease.

**PATHOLOGY** (*πάθος*, disease, *λόγος*, an account). That branch of medicine which investigates the nature of diseases.

**PAULINA CONFECTIO.** A warm opiate, similar to the *confectio opii*.

[**PAULLINIA SORBILIS.** A Brazilian plant of the natural family Sapindaceæ, from the seeds of which is prepared the Paullinia or Guarana, a medicine recently introduced into Europe by Dr. Gavrelle, who extols it as a useful tonic. Martius found in it a crystallizable principle, which he named guaranin, and which appears from the researches of Berthemot and Dechastelus to be identical with *caffein*.]

**PAVILION.** The name of the *ala*, or greater part of the external ear.

**PEARL.** A spherical concretion formed within the pearl oyster. Sir Everard Home considered that the abortive ova of the animal were the nuclei upon which the pearls were formed.

**PEARL ASH.** The name of potash when it is calcined, and of a whitish pearly lustre. It is employed in making flint glass, soap, &c.

**PEARL BARLEY.** Common barley divested of its cuticle, and rounded and polished in a mill, so as to acquire a pearly appearance.

**PEARL-EYE.** *Pearl in the eye.* The old English name of cataract.

**PEARL POWDER.** A powder used by perfumers, and obtained from the nitric solution of bismuth, by adding a proportion of muriatic acid, and then precipitating by a small quantity of water. In this way it is obtained in the form of minute scales of a pearly lustre.

**PEARL-WHITE.** *Magistry of Bismuth*; the sub-nitrate of bismuth.

**PEAS FOR ISSUES.** These are made of tow, or flax, rolled up with gum water



and was; to which are sometimes added powdered savine, cantharides, or verdigris; orange peas from the unripe Curacoa oranges are also used.

**PECCANT** (*pecco*, to be in fault). A term applied by the humoral pathologists to those humours of the body which were supposed to be faulty in quality or in quantity.

**PECTEN, PECTINIS** (*pecto*, to comb). A comb, or crest. A pyramidal plicated process, situated in the posterior and external part of the cavity of the eye in birds, and covered with pigment. It is also called *marsupium*.

1. *Pectinati muscoli*. A designation of the muscular fasciculi of the heart, from their resemblance to the teeth of a comb.

2. *Pectineus*. A flat quadrangular muscle arising from the pectineal line of the os pubis, and inserted into the line leading from the trochanter minor to the linea aspera.

**PECTIC ACID** (*πηκτις*, a coagulum). A substance obtained from the carrot and other vegetables, so named from its remarkable tendency to gelatinize.

**PECTIN**. A principle which forms the basis of vegetable jelly.

**PECTINATE** (*pecten*, a comb). A modification of the pinnatifid leaf, in which the segments are long, close, and narrow, like the teeth of a comb.

**PECTORA'LIS** (*pectus*, the breast). The name of two muscles of the trunk:

1. *Pectoralis major*, arising from half the clavicle, all the edge of the sternum, and the cartilages of the three lower true ribs, and inserted into the outer border of the occipital groove of the humerus. It moves the arm forwards, &c., and is a muscle of respiration.

2. *Pectoralis minor*, arising from the third, fourth, and fifth ribs, and inserted into the coracoid process of the scapula. It draws the shoulder-bone forwards and downwards, and elevates the ribs.

**PECTORALS** (*medicamenta pectoralia*, from *pectus*, *pectoris*, the breast). Medicines which relieve disorders of the chest.

**PECTORILOQUY** (*pectus*, the breast, *loquor*, to speak). A chest-sound; a voice which appears to proceed directly from the chest, and to traverse the tube of the stethoscope.

**PEDATE** (*pes*, a foot). A modification of the palmate leaf, in which the two lateral lobes are themselves subdivided, as in *helleborus niger*. The same modifications occur as in the palmate leaf,

with similar terms, as *pedatifid*, *pedatipartite*, *pedatisected*, *pedatilobate*.

**PEDICEL** (*pedicellus*, dim. of *pediculus*). A partial flower stalk. When several peduncles spring from the axis, at short distances from each other, the axis is termed *rachis*, and the peduncles are called *pedicels*.

**PEDICULATION** (*pediculus*, a louse). *Phtheiriasis*. An affection in which lice are bred under the skin.

**PEDICULUS** (dim. of *pes*, a foot). Literally, a little foot. A louse.

1. *Pediculus humanus*. The common louse, infesting the head.

2. *Pediculus pubis*. The morpio, or crab-louse, infesting the pubes.

**PEDILUVIUM** (*pes*, *pedis*, the foot; *lavo*, to wash). A foot-bath.

**PEDUNCULUS** (*pedo*, one that has broad or splay feet). A person somewhat splay-footed. A peduncle; the axis of the flower-bud, from the point of connexion with the stem, as far as the floral envelopes. The term *pedunculi* is applied to two medullary cords which connect the pineal gland to the optic thalami.

**PELLAGRA**. An affection in which a morbid condition of the skin is a prominent symptom; it is very prevalent among the peasantry of the northern states of Italy. It is called *mal del sole*, from its being ascribed to the heat of the sun's rays; *Italian elephantiasis*, &c. The term is commonly derived from *pellis agria*, or wild skin; but it would seem that the old Italian name for it was *pellarella*.

**PELLICLE** (dim. of *pellis*, the skin or hide of a beast, flayed off). A thin skin, or film. Among chemists, it denotes a thin surface of crystals uniformly spread over a saline liquor evaporated to a certain degree.

**PELLITORY**. The root of the *Anacyclus Pyrethrum*, imported from the Levant under the name of *Pellitory of Spain*.

**PELOSIN**. A colourless substance lately extracted from the root of the *Cissampelos pareira*. It is a powerful base, forming salts with several acids.

**PELTATE** (*pelta*, a shield). Shield-shaped; applied to leaves which are fixed to the petiole by their centre, or by some point within the margin.

[**PELVIMETER** (*pelvis*, *μετρον*, a measure). An instrument for measuring the diameters of the pelvis.]

**PELVIS** (*πέλυς*, a basin). The basin, or the large bony cavity which terminates the trunk inferiorly, containing the urinary and genital organs, and, in women, the uterus.



[*Pelvis of the kidneys.* An irregularly oval, membranous sac occupying the posterior fissure of the kidney. It is formed by union of the infundibula, from which it receives the urine, and conveys that fluid to the ureter.]

**PEMPHIGUS** (πέμφιξ, πέμφιγος, a small blister or pustule). *Febris vesicularis, ampullosa, vel bullosa.* A term applied by Sauvages to vesicular or bladder fever, a disease belonging to the order *Bullæ* of Bateman. A form of this disease prevails among children in many parts of Ireland, where it is called *white blisters, burnt holes, eating hive, &c.*

**PENICILLUS** (dim. of *peniculum*, a brush). A tent, or pledget. Any thing which has its end divided like a painter's brush; in this sense the extremities of the vena porta have been termed *penicilli*.

**PENIS.** The male organ of generation, consisting of three lengthened bodies, closely united to each other, viz. the two *corpora cavernosa* and the *corpus spongiosum*.

**PENNIFORM** (*penna*, a feather or quill, *forma*, likeness). Feather-shaped; a term applied to those muscles which have their fibres arranged on each side of the tendon, as the *rectus femoris*.

*Semi-penniform.* Half-feather-shaped; the designation of those muscles which have their fibres arranged on one side of the tendon, as the *peronæus longus*.

**PENNYROYAL.** The common name of the *Mentha pulegium*. Under the same name, the *Hedeoma pulegioides* is highly reputed in North America as an emmenagogue.

**PENTANDRIA** (πέντε, five, ἀνὴρ, a man). Having five stamens; the character of the fifth class of plants in Linnæus's system.

*Pentagynia* (πέντε, five, γυνή, a woman). Having five pistils; an ordinal character in Linnæus's system of plants.

**PEPO.** A gourd; a three-celled fleshy indehiscent fruit, with parietal placentæ, as the cucumber.

**PEPPER.** The berries of the *Piper nigrum*. The hot acrid *black pepper* of the shops consists of the berries with the pulp adhering; the *white pepper* is the same thing, only the pulp is washed off before the fruit is dried. They yield a crystalline substance called *piperin*.

*Long Pepper.* The dried female spikes of the *Piper longum*, composed of firmly-united 1-seeded drupes.

**PEPSIN** (πέπτω, to digest). A peculiar animal principle secreted by the stomach,

and present in the gastric juice. It is usually prepared by infusing the mucous membrane of the fourth stomach of the calf, which is known as rennet.

**PEPTIC** (πέπτω, to ripen). Any substance which is digestible. Hence the term *peptics*, applied to medicines which promote digestion.

**PER-** A Latin preposition, which, when prefixed to the name of an oxide, indicates the presence of the greatest quantity of oxygen which can exist in a compound of such materials, as in *per-oxide*.

*Bi-per-*. This double prefix is used, when there is more than one atom of oxygen in the base, as well as an unequal number of atoms of acid and base, as in the *bi-per-sulphate* of mercury, where *bi* indicates the presence of two atoms of acid, and *per* that the mercury is in the form of a *per-oxide*.

**PER-ACUTE.** Very sharp; a term applied to diseases when greatly aggravated, or attended by considerable inflammation. *Per* is an intensive particle.

**PERCOLATION** (*percolo*, to strain through). Filtration; the passing of fluids through a strainer.

**PERCUSSION** (*percutio*, to strike). The act of striking upon the chest, abdomen, &c., with the view of producing sounds by which the state of the subjacent parts may be ascertained. This is distinguished into—

1. *Direct percussion*, which consists in striking the surface of the chest, &c., with one, two, or more fingers, and observing the degree and quality of the sounds produced; and,

2. *Mediate percussion*, which differs from the former chiefly in the employment of a small plate of ivory, called a *pleximeter*, a piece of leather or caoutchouc, or the second phalanx of the forefinger of the left hand; one of these is placed on the part to be examined, and struck with the pulpy ends of the middle and forefinger of the right hand.

3. The *scale of sounds* which may be distinguished on the surface of the body are the following, beginning with the dullest:—the femoral, the jecoral, the cardial, the pulmonal, and the stomachal, the clearest of all. Besides these, there are the osteal, the humoric (when organs are filled with air and liquid), the hydatidic, and—

4. The *bruit de pot fêlé*, a sound heard on percussing over a cavity near the surface of the lungs, usually at the upper part of the chest. It resembles the noise





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name for the *allumen* or the substance lying between the integuments and the embryo of some seeds.

23. *Peri-staltic* (στέλλω, to contract). A term applied to the vermicular contractions of the intestines upon themselves. This motion is sometimes called *peristole*.

24. *Peri-staphylinus* (σταφυλή, the uvula). A term applied to two muscles of the palate; the *externus*, or the *circumflexus palati*; and the *internus*, or the *levator palati mollis*.

25. *Peristaphylo-pharyngeus*. The first or upper portion of the palato-pharyngeus muscle; the second or middle portion is termed *pharyngo-staphylinus*; the third or lower portion, *thyro-staphylinus*.

26. *Peri-stoma* (στόμα, the mouth). The membrane, or series of tooth-like processes, which closes the orifice of the theca of mosses.

27. *Peri-stroma* (σπρώμα, a cushion). Literally, rich tapestry-work, wherewith floors or beds were spread. This term is probably applied, by Pecquet, to the mucous or villous coat of the intestines, called by Bilsius *muscum villosum*; by Bartholine, *crusta membranosa*; and by De Graaf, *crusta vermicularis*.

28. *Peri-thecium* (θήκη, a theca). The bag of fructification in some fungi; the organ in which some asci are immersed.

29. *Peri-tonæum* (τείνω, to extend). The serous membrane which lines the interior of the abdomen, and invests all the viscera contained therein.

30. *Peritonæal fever*. Puerperal, or child-bed fever, so called from its occurring frequently after labour.

31. *Peritonitis*. Inflammation of the peritonæum. It is acute, or chronic.

32. *Peri-tropal* (τρέπω, to turn). A term applied to the embryo of the seed, when it is directed from the axis to the horizon.

33. *Peri-zoma* (ζώννυμι, to gird). Literally, a girdle; a truss. It has been used to designate the diaphragm.

**PERIOD.** The interval between the paroxysms in intermittent fever.

**PERIODIC ACID.** *Hyperiodic acid*. An acid consisting of iodine and oxygen.

[**PERIODICITY.** The aptitude of certain physiological and pathological phenomena, in health and disease, to recur at particular periods, after longer or shorter intervals, during which they completely cease. Diseases which manifest this character are termed *Periodical*.—Nysten.]

**PERKINISM.** A mode of treatment introduced by Perkins, of America, and consisting in the application to diseased

parts of the extremities of two needles made of different metals, called by him *metallic tractors*.

**PERLATE ACID.** The name given by Bergman to the acidulous phosphate of soda; the phosphate of soda had been previously called *sal mirabile perlatum*. It was named by Guyton-Morveau, *ouretic acid*.

**PERMANENT INK.** See *Ink*.

**PERMANENT WHITE.** Sulphate of baryta. At a high temperature it fuses into an opaque white enamel, which is used in the manufacture of fine earthenware, and as a pigment.

**PERMEABILITY** (*per*, through, *meo*, to pass). That property of certain bodies by which they admit the passage of other bodies through their substance. The cellular tissue of plants is *permeable* by fluids, though at the same time impermeable.

**PERNIO** (πέρνα, or πτέρνα, the heel). A chilblain, especially one on the heel; the effect of inflammation caused by cold.

1. *Pernio simplex*. Simple chilblain, in which the cuticle is unbroken.

2. *Pernio exulceratus*. Kibe; accompanied with ulceration.

**PERONE'** (περόνη, a brooch). The fibula, or small bone of the leg; so called from its resembling the pin of a brooch.

[1. *Peroneal*. Belonging to the fibula.]

2. *Peroneus longus*. A muscle placed at the outer part of the leg, and under the sole of the foot.

3. *Peroneus brevis*. A muscle having the same form as the preceding, but not so long. They are both *extensors* of the leg.

4. *Peroneus tertius*. A muscle which appears to be a part of the *extensor longus digitorum*, but may be considered as analogous to the *flexor carpi ulnaris* of the fore-arm.

5. *Nervus peroneus*. The external popliteal or peroneal nerve. The internal popliteal is the *tibialis*.

**PEROXIDE.** A term applied in chemical nomenclature to denote the *highest degree of oxidation*, of which a compound is capable. See *Per*.

**PERRY.** A fermented liquor made from pears, as cider from apples.

**PERSICA VULGARIS.** The peach; a rosaceous plant of Persia, the drupaceous fruit of which has been termed *molum persicum*.

*Persica lævis*. The nectarine; distinguished from the peach by its smooth rind.

**PERSICUS IGNIS.** Persian fire; a



term applied by Avicenna to that species of carbuncle which is attended with pustules and vesications.

**PERSISTENS FEBRIS.** A regular intermittent, the paroxysms of which return at constant and stated times.

**PERSISTENT.** A term applied to those parts of plants which do not fall at the usual period, as the corolla of campanula, the calyx of pæonia. See *Caducous*.

**PERSONATE** (*persona*, a mask). Masked. A term applied to that form of the gamopetalous corolla, in which the limb is unequally divided: the upper division, or lip, being arched; the lower prominent, and pressed against it, so that the whole resembles the mouth of a gaping animal, as in antirrhinum. See *Ringent*.

**PERSPIRATION** (*perspiro*, to breathe through). The watery vapour which is constantly passing off through the skin, is termed *insensible perspiration*; when it is so excessive as to collect in drops upon the surface, it constitutes *sensible perspiration*, or *sweat*.

*Perspiratory ducts.* Spiral tubes which commence apparently in the corium, proceed upwards between the papillæ, and terminate by open pores upon the surface of the cuticle.

[**PERTURBATIO** (*perturbo*, to disturb). Perturbation. Disturbance of the natural progress of a disease by therapeutic agents. *Perturbating medicine*, a term applied to a mode of treating diseases by very active means, fitted to change their natural course or arrest their progress.]

**PERTUSSIS.** The name first given by Sydenham to whooping-cough, so called from the peculiar *whooping* sound which it occasions. See *Whooping-cough*.

**PES.** A foot. Hence, the term is applied to parts resembling a foot.

1. *Pes anserinus.* The goose's foot; the name of a plexus of nerves formed by the *facial*, or *portio dura* of the seventh pair, on the side of the face, and somewhat resembling the spreading foot of a palmipede.

2. *Pes accessorius.* A swelling on the outer wall of the cornu ammonis, somewhat resembling the hippocampus major, but of smaller size.

3. *Pes hippocampi.* The extremity of the hippocampus major, which has been likened to the club-foot of some animal, from its presenting numerous knuckle-like prominences on its surface.

**PESSARY** (*πεσσός*, a small stone). An

instrument made of wood, &c., formerly employed to keep medicinal substances applied within the pudenda; but now used for preventing prolapsus of the uterus or vagina, or keeping up a particular kind of rupture. The various forms of the pessary are the *bung-shaped*, the *conical*, the *elytroïd* or sheath-like of Cloquet, the *cup-and-ball*, and the *ring pessary*.

**PESTIS** (*perdo*, to destroy). A term applied to any thing pernicious, as plague, calamity, ruin, destruction: it is seldom used by good authors to signify infectious disorders. *Pestilentia* denotes infectious air, or a contagious disorder.

**PETAL** (*πέταλον*). A flower-leaf; the name of a division of the corolla. See *Monopetalæ*.

*Petaloid* (*εἶδος*, likeness). That which resembles a petal, as applied to the expanded filament of certain stamens, as of nymphæa, &c.

**PETECHIA** (*petechio*, Italian, a flea-bite). A speck or spot resembling a flea-bite. These spots constantly occur in certain epidemic fevers, which were consequently described under the term *petechial fever*.

*Petechiæ sine febre.* A term applied by various authors to purpura simplex, or petechial scurvy; also called *hæmorrhæa petechialis*, *land-scurvy*, &c.

**PETIOLE.** The foot-stalk, or leaf-stalk, of a plant. The *apex* is the part inserted into the leaf; the *base*, that which comes from the stem. Hence—

*Petiolate.* A term applied to leaves formed with a stalk, whether long or short, simple or compound.

**PETRO-** (*πέτρα*, a rock). A term relating to the *os petrosum*, or petrous portion of the temporal bone, as *petro-occipital*, *petro-sphenoïdal*, &c.

*Petro-salpingo-staphylinus.* An unwieldy designation of the levator palati mollis, from its arising from the petrous process and the Eustachian tube, and being inserted into the velum palati.

**PETROLEUM** (*πέτρα*, a rock, *έλαιον*, oil). Literally, *rock oil*. Barbadoes tar; a bituminous liquid, named from its oozing out of rocks.

*Petrolene.* According to Boussingault, bitumens may be considered mixtures of two bodies; viz., a liquid to which he has given the name of *petrolene*, and a solid, which he terms *asphaltene*.

[**PETROSELINUM.** Ph. U. S. Parsley root. The root of the *Apium Petroselinum*, an infusion of which is used as a diuretic.]

**PETUNTSE'.** The name of a species



of *feldspar*, used as the vitrifying ingredient in the porcelain of the Chinese.

**PEWTER.** A factitious metal, the basis of which is tin; it is commonly called *étain* in France, where it is generally confounded with true tin. There are three kinds, distinguished by the names of *plate*, *trifle*, and *ley-pewter*.

**PEYER'S GLANDS.** *Plexus intestinales.* The clustered glands of the intestines, or *aggregatæ*, first discovered by Peyer. Each gland is surrounded by a circle of minute tubes, called *corona tubulorum*. • See *Brunner's Glands*.

**PHACIA** (*φακία*, a lentil seed). The Greek term for *lentigo*, or freckles.

**PHÆNOGAMOÛS** (*φαίνω*, to show, *γάμος*, nuptials). A term applied to those plants in which the sexual organs are visible. All others are called *cryptogamous*.

**PHAGEDÆNA** (*φάγω*, to eat). An ulcer which spreads, and, as it were, *eats away* the flesh.

**PHALANX** (*φάλαγξ*). A battalion in the Macedonian armies, composed of 16,000 men. Hence the term *phalanges* is applied to the bones of the fingers and toes, from their regularity.

**PHANEROGAMOÛS** (*φανερὸς*, manifest, *γάμος*, nuptials). A term applied to those plants in which the reproductive organs are visible. It is synonymous with *phænogamous*.

**PHANTASM** (*φαντάζω*, to make appear). A perception of sensation in the organs of the senses, dependent on internal causes, and not excited by external objects. See *Hallucination*.

**PHARMACEUTICS** (*φάρμακον*, a medicine). That branch of medicine which consists in compounding drugs.

**PHARMACON** (*φάρμακον*). A poison. A medicine, or drug.

1. *Pharmaco-dynamics* (*δύναμις*, power). That branch of *Materia Medica*, which treats of the power or effects of medicines.

2. *Pharmaco-gnosy* (*γιγνώσκω*, to know). That branch of *Materia Medica* which treats of the natural and chemical history of unprepared medicines or simples. It is also termed *pharmacography*, *pharmacomathia*, &c.

3. *Pharma-cologia* (*λόγος*, description). The method of administering medicines.

4. *Pharmaco-ræia*, (*ποιέω*, to make). The process of preparing medicines. The term is now used to denote a standard code of medicine.

5. *Pharmaco-pola* (*πωλέω*, to sell). A seller of drugs; a druggist.

**PHARMACY** (*φάρμακον*, a drug). The application of chemical, and to a certain extent of physical, knowledge, to the preparation of medicinal substances.

**PHARYNX** (*φάρυγξ*, the throat). A musculo-membranous bag, situated at the back part of the mouth, leading to the stomach.

[1. *Pharyngeal*. Relating to the pharynx.]

2. *Pharyngitis*. Inflammation of the pharynx. See *Cynanche*.

3. *Pharyngotomy* (*τομή*, section). The operation of cutting into the pharynx, for the purpose of extracting any foreign body.

4. *Pharyngotomus*. An instrument, invented by Petit, for scarifying the tonsils, and opening abscesses about the fauces.

5. *Pharyngo-staphylinus*. The second or middle portion of the palato-pharyngeus.

[**PHILLANDRIUM AQUATICUM.** Fine-leaved water-hemlock. An European Umbelliferous plant, the seeds of which are said to be stimulant and narcotic, and they have been given in asthma, intermittent fever, dyspepsia, atonic ulcers, &c.]

[**PHENOMENA** (*φαινομαι*, to appear). Any appreciable change which takes place in an organ or function. Any remarkable or unexpected occurrence.]

**PHILLYRIN.** A substance obtained from the bark of the *Phillyrea media* and *latifolia*.

**PHILOSOPHICAL CANDLE.** A bottle fitted with a cork, through which a slender glass or metallic tube passes. On introducing the materials for generating hydrogen, and fixing the cork and tube air-tight, a jet of hydrogen is discharged, which may be ignited by the application of a burning body, or an electric spark.

**PHILTRE** (*φίλτρον*, from *φιλέω*, to love). A love-potion; a medicine supposed to inspire love.

**PHIMOSIS** (*φίμωσις*, a muzzle). *Capistratio*. An affection of the prepuce, in which it cannot be drawn back, so as to uncover the glans penis. This is the *incarcerating* phimosis of Good. Compare *Paraphimosis*.

**PHLEBITIS** (*φλεβίτις*, a vein). Inflammation of the veins. It is distinguished by a hard, cord-like, tender line, pursuing the course of a vein or veins, from an incision or wound. It is termed—

1. *Suppurative, and diffused*; and attended by *typhoid fever*, and abscesses.

2. *Suppurative, and adhesive*; and ac-





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charcoal. It is named from the peculiar power of the sunbeam in effecting this combination.

**PHOSPHAS.** A phosphate; a salt formed by the union of phosphoric acid with a salifiable base.

1. *Phosphas calcis.* Phosphate of lime, or the *cornu ustum* of the pharmacopœia.

2. *Phosphas sodæ.* Phosphate of soda. Tasteless purging salt, prepared from bones, and carbonate of soda. It was first discovered combined with ammonia, in urine, by Shockwitz, and was called *fusible* or *microcosmic salt*.

**PHOSPHATIC DIATHESIS.** A morbid state of the constitution, characterized by the formation of the phosphates of magnesia, ammonia, and lime. See *Calculus*.

**PHOSPHITE.** A salt formed by the union of phosphorous acid with a salifiable base.

**PHOSPHORESCENCE** ( $\phi\omega\varsigma$ , light,  $\phi\acute{\epsilon}\rho\omega$ , to carry). A term applied to the luminous appearance of the sea, especially in the track of sailing vessels, occasioned, according to Meyen, 1. by mucus dissolved in the sea-water; 2. by animals covered with a luminous mucus, as medusæ; and, 3. by animals possessing phosphorescent organs, as *oniscus fulgens*. See *Solar Phosphorus*.

**PHOSPHORUS** ( $\phi\omega\varsigma$ , light,  $\phi\acute{\epsilon}\rho\omega$ , to bring, so called from its luminous appearance in the dark). A yellow, waxy substance, originally prepared from urine, and afterwards from bones.

1. *Oxide of phosphorus.* A red matter, obtained by burning phosphorus in air or oxygen.

2. *Hypo-phosphorous acid.* An acid obtained by the action of water upon the phosphuret of barium.

3. *Phosphorous acid.* An acid produced, in the form of a white volatile powder, by the slow combustion of phosphorus. Its salts are called *phosphites*.

4. *Phosphoric acid.* An acid obtained, in the form of white flakes, by igniting phosphorus under a large bell jar. Its salts are called *phosphates*.

5. *Meta-phosphoric acid.* A provisional name for a modification of phosphoric acid (from  $\mu\epsilon\tau\acute{\alpha}$ , together with), implying phosphoric acid and something besides.

6. *Pyro-phosphoric acid* ( $\pi\upsilon\rho$ , fire). A term indicative of phosphoric acid as modified by heat.

7. *Phospho-mesitic acid.* An acid obtained by Dr. Kane, by causing chloride of phosphorus to act upon acetone.

8. *Phosphuret.* A compound of phos-

phorus with a combustible or metallic oxide.

9. *Phosphorus of Baldwin* is the ignited muriate of lime; *phosphorus of Canton*, oyster-shells, calcined with sulphur; and *phosphorus of Bologna*, the sulphate of barites. These are consequently misnomers.

**PHOSPHORUS BOTTLE.** A contrivance for obtaining instantaneous light. It is made by stirring a piece of phosphorus about in a dry bottle with a hot wire; the phosphorus undergoes a partial combustion, and forms a highly combustible coat over the interior; a common sulphur match rubbed against the inside of the bottle, and drawn out into the air, immediately inflames.

**PHOTOGENIC DRAWING** ( $\phi\omega\varsigma$ ,  $\phi\omega\tau\omicron\varsigma$ , light,  $\gamma\epsilon\nu\nu\acute{\alpha}\omega$ , to produce). A process of drawing by the action of light, introduced by M. Daguerre. See *Daguerreotype*.

**PHOTOMETER** ( $\phi\omega\varsigma$ ,  $\phi\omega\tau\omicron\varsigma$ , light,  $\mu\acute{\epsilon}\tau\rho\omicron\nu$ , a measure). An instrument for measuring the intensity of light. It consists of Leslie's differential thermometer with one of the balls blackened. The clear ball transmits all the light that falls upon it, and therefore its temperature is not affected; the black ball, on the contrary, absorbs all the light, and a corresponding elevation of temperature takes place. The action of the photometer depends, therefore, on the heat produced by the absorption of light.

**PHOTOPHOBIA** ( $\phi\omega\varsigma$ ,  $\phi\omega\tau\omicron\varsigma$ , light,  $\phi\acute{\omicron}\beta\omicron\varsigma$ , fear). Intolerance of light, a symptom of amaurosis.

**PHOTOPSIA** ( $\phi\omega\varsigma$ ,  $\phi\omega\tau\omicron\varsigma$ , light,  $\delta\psi\iota\varsigma$ , sight). *Visus lucidus*. Luminous vision, a symptom of amaurosis. It is the *marmarye* of Hippocrates.

**PHRENES** (plural of  $\phi\rho\eta\nu$ , the mind). The diaphragm; so called because the ancients supposed it to be the seat of the mind. Hence the term—

1. *Phrenic.* A designation of the internal respiratory nerve, which goes to the diaphragm.

2. *Phrenitis.* Phrensy; inflammation of the brain; a term under which have been confounded *arachnoïditis* and *encephalitis*. It constitutes the third genus of the order *phlegmasiæ* of Cullen.

3. *Phreno-logy* ( $\lambda\acute{\omicron}\gamma\omicron\varsigma$ , an account). A description of the mind; a science, introduced by Gall and Spurzheim, by which particular characters and propensities are indicated by the conformation, and protuberances, of the skull.

**PHTHEIRIASIS** ( $\phi\theta\epsilon\iota\rho$ , a louse). *Pediculi ciliarum*. Lice of the eyelashes.



**PHTHISIS** (*φθίνω*, to corrupt). Consumption; pulmonary consumption, or decline; emaciation of the body, and debility, attended with a cough, hectic fever, and generally purulent expectoration. It is also termed *marasmus*, *tabes pulmonalis*, &c.

**PHTHOE** (*φθίνω*, to corrupt). Ulceration of the lungs. This, and *phthisis*, are the two branches under which the Greek pathologists generally treated of consumption.

**PHTHORE** (*φθέω*, to corrupt). The name given by Orfila to the hypothetical radical of fluoric acid.

**PHYLIDIUM** (*φύλλον*, a leaf). A term applied to the petiole of a leaf, when it is expanded and leafy, and the lamina abortive, as in many species of *Acacia*.

**PHY'MA** (*φῶμα*, from *φύω*, to produce). An imperfectly suppurating tumour, forming an abscess, often with a core in the centre; a genus of the *tubercula* of Bateman, including boils, carbuncles, &c. See *Phlegmon*.

**PHYSCONIA** (*φυσάω*, to inflate). Inflation; a term substituted for the *megalo-splanchnus*, or big bowel, of Hippocrates. Dr. Good uses *parabysma*, generally, for visceral turgescence.

**PHYSETER MACROCEPHALUS** (*μακρὸς*, great, *κεφαλῆ*, the head). The Spermaceti Whale, characterized by its enormous head, which sometimes contains several tons of oily substance. On the death of the animal, this substance congeals into a white unctuous mass, from which are obtained—

1. *Pure whale oil*, in considerable quantity, by expression; and

2. *Spermaceti*, or cetaceum. [q. v.]

**PHYSICS** (*φύσις*, nature). The science which is employed in observing the phenomena of nature. The term *meta-physics* denotes a science which is distinct from, or *beyond* physics, as, abstractions, accidents, relations, &c.

[**PHYSICK'S LYE TEA**. Hickory ashes, one quart; soot, half a pint; boiling water, Cong. j. Mix, and allow to stand for twenty-four hours, then decant. An excellent antacid medicine, highly esteemed and used by the late Dr. Physick.]

**PHYSIOGNOMY** (*φύσις*, nature, *γιγνώσκω*, to judge of). The study of the general character, or of diseased states, from the features of the face, and the cast of the countenance. The three principal traits observable in the countenances of young children are—

1. The *oculo-zygomatic* trait, com-

mencing at the greater angle of the eye, and lost a little below the projection formed by the cheek-bone. This is the index of disorders of the cerebro-nervous system.

2. The *nasal* trait, beginning at the upper part of the ala nasi, and embracing in a semicircle, more or less perfect, the outer line of the orbicularis oris. A trait is sometimes observed towards the middle of the cheek, forming a kind of tangent with the nasal trait, and sometimes constituting the dimple of the cheeks; this is called the *genal* trait. These indicate disorders of the digestive passages and abdominal viscera.

3. The *labial* trait, beginning at the angle of the lips, and lost on the lower portion of the face. It indicates diseases of the heart and air passages.

4. To these may be added the *face grippée*, or *pinched-in face*, a term applied by the French to the expression of the countenance in peritonitis; the features are altered, and appear drawn up towards the forehead, which is wrinkled, and the nose pointed.

**PHYSIOLOGY** (*φύσις*, nature, *λόγος*, an account). The science which treats of the properties of organic bodies, animal and vegetable, of the phenomena which they present, and of the laws which govern their actions.

**PHYSOME'TRA** (*φυσάω*, to inflate, *μήτρα*, the uterus). Inflation of the uterus; the presence of air within the uterus, or uterine tympany.

**PHYTOGRAPHY** (*φυτὸν*, a plant, *γράφω*, to write). An account of the rules observed in describing and naming plants.

[**PHY'TOLACCA DECANDRA**. Poke. An indigenous plant of the natural order *Phytolacaceæ*. The berries and root have a place in the secondary list of the U. S. Ph. They are emetic, purgative, and slightly narcotic. An ointment made by mixing ℥j. of the powdered root with ℥j. of lard, has been used in psora, tinea capites, &c.]

**PHYTOLOGY** (*φυτὸν*, a plant, *λόγος*, an account). That branch of science which treats of the forms and properties of plants.

**PHYTOTOMY** (*φυτὸν*, a plant, *τέμνω*, to cut). Vegetable anatomy; the display of the tissues of plants by means of dissection.

**PIA MATER**. *Meninx media*. A vascular membrane, investing the whole surface of the brain, dipping into its convolutions, and forming a fold in its



interior, called *velum interpositum*. See *Matres*.

**PIAN** (a raspberry). The name given, on the American coast, to *Frambæsia*, or *Yaws*. See *Frambæsia*.

**PICA** (a magpie). *Picatio*. Depraved appetite. Craving for improper substances. See *Malacia*.

**PICAMAR** (*in pice amarum*). The bitter principle of tar, and of all empyreumatic products.

**PICRO-** (*πικρός*, bitter). A Greek adjective, denoting *bitterness*.—

1. *Picræna excelsa*. The Lofty Bitterwood Tree; a Simarubaceous plant, which yields *quassia wood*, sometimes called *Jamalea quassia wood*, in order to distinguish it from the wood of *Quassia amara*. It contains a bitter principle called *quassite*. The intensely bitter timber furnishes the *quassia chips* of the shops.

2. *Picric acid*. The last product of the action of nitric acid upon indigo or Welter's bitter.

3. *Picrin*. A bitter substance, procured from *Digitalis purpurea*, and said to be identical with *digitalin*.

4. *Picro-glycion* (*γλυκὺς*, sweet). *Dulcarin*. A principle obtained from the *Solanum dulcamara*, or Bitter sweet, supposed by Pelletier to be sugar combined with *solanina*.

5. *Picro-mel* (*μέλι*, honey). Literally, *bitter-sweet*. The characteristic principle of bile, or bile-sugar.

6. *Picro-toxin* (*τοξικόν*, poison). The bitter and poisonous principle of the seeds of *cocculus indicus*.

**PIGMENT** (*pingo*, to paint). Painters' colours. An artificial preparation, in imitation of any colour for painting.

**PIGMENTUM NIGRUM** (*pingo*, to paint). A dark brown substance, which covers the outer and inner surface of the choroid membrane. The absence of this substance in the *Albino* gives the red colour to the iris and the pupil.

*Membrana pigmenti*. A delicate membrane which retains the pigmentum in its place. Under the microscope it is seen to be composed of regular hexagonal plates, and resembles a tessellated pavement.

**PILARE MALUM** (*pilus*, a hair). *Trichiasis*. Hair-disease; morbid organization, or deficiency of hair.

**PILE, GALVANIC**. An apparatus for exhibiting the phenomena of galvanism, and consisting of a *pile* or column of metallic plates of zinc or copper, and discs of wet card, placed in succession to

each other in the same regular order throughout the series.

1. *Pile of De Luc*. An "electrical column," constructed of pieces of paper, silvered on one side, by means of silver leaf, and alternating with thin leaves of zinc; the silvered surfaces of the paper discs being always in the same direction.

2. *Dry pile*. The inappropriate name of an arrangement of pairs of metallic plates, separated by layers of farinaceous paste, mixed with common salt. The apparatus evidently owes its efficacy to the moisture of the paste.

3. *Secondary piles*. Piles formed simply of discs of copper, and moistened card, placed alternately. These have no power of developing electricity by their own action, but are capable of receiving a charge, by being placed in the circuit of a powerful voltaic battery, and of thus acquiring, though in an inferior degree, the properties of the battery itself.

**PILES**. The common vernacular designation of hæmorrhoids. See *Hæmorrhoids*.

**PILEUS**. A cap. The uppermost part of an Agaric, resembling an umbrella in form.

**PILOSITY** (*pilosus*, hairy). A term applied to that kind of hairiness, in which the hairs are long, soft, and erect, as in *Daucus carota*.

**PILULA** (dim. of *pila*, a ball). A pill. A mass of a consistence sufficient to preserve the globular form, yet not so hard as to be of too difficult solution in the stomach.

[The following are the officinal pills of the Ph. U. S.:

[*Pilulæ aloës*. Aloetic pills. Powdered aloes; soap, of each, ℥j. Beat with water to form a mass, and divide into 240 pills.

[*Pilulæ aloës et assafœtida*. Pills of aloes and assafœtida. Powdered aloes, assafœtida, soap, of each ℥ss. Beat with water to form a mass, and divide into 180 pills.

[*Pilulæ aloës et myrrhæ*. Pills of aloes and myrrh. Powdered aloes, ℥ij.; powdered myrrh, ℥j.; saffron, ℥ss.; syrup, a sufficient quantity. Beat together to form a mass, and divide into 480 pills.

[*Pilulæ assafœtida*. Assafœtida pills. Assafœtida, ℥iss.; soap, ℥ss. Beat with sufficient water to form a mass, and divide into 240 pills.

[*Pilulæ catharticæ compositæ*. Compound cathartic pills. Compound extract of colocynth, in powder, ℥ss.; extract of jalap, in powder, calomel, of each ℥iij.;





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pineal gland, proved by Dr. Wollaston to consist of phosphate of lime.

**PINGUECULA** (*pinguis*, fat). A form of pterygium, occurring in elderly persons, and consisting of little yellow granules towards the angles of the eye, under the conjunctiva.

**PINGUEDO** (*pinguis*, fat). Fat or fatness. It is said that *pinguedo* melts quicker, and hardens slower, than *adeps*; and that, while *adeps* lies at the extremity of the muscles, and adheres to the membranes, *pinguedo* lies between the flesh and the skin. *Pinguitudo* is fatness, but it is only used figuratively.

**PINIC ACID** (*pinus*, the pine). An acid obtained from rosin; it may be regarded as an oxide of oil of turpentine.

**PINNA**. The fin of a fish. A portion of the external ear, termed *pinna auriculæ*, or the auricle, representing a kind of funnel, which collects the vibrations of the atmosphere. The other portion is termed *meatus*, and represents a tube, which conveys the vibrations to the tympanum.

**PINNATE** (*pinna*, the fin of a fish). That form of leaf in which simple leaflets are placed on each side of a common petiole, as in polypody. The same modifications occur as in the palmate leaf, with similar terms, as pinnatifid, pinnatipartite, pinnatisected, and pinnatilobate.

*Abruptly pinnate*. When the petiole of a pinnate leaf has no terminal leaflet or tendril, as in *orobus tuberosus*.

*Alternately pinnate*. When the leaflets of a pinnate leaf are placed alternately on the common petiole, as in *potentilla rupestris*.

*Bi-pinnate* (*bis*, twice, *pinna*, the fin of a fish). Doubly pinnate, as when the leaflets of a pinnate leaf themselves become pinnate.

**PINT**. *Octarius*. A term of High Dutch origin, signifying a little measure of wine. The imperial liquid measure contains 34.659 cubic inches: it is equivalent to sixteen fluid ounces.

**PINTA**. Blue stain; a disease which prevails in Mexico, and which appears to be a variety of *Pityriasis nigra*.

**PINUS**. The name of a genus of plants of the order *Coniferæ*, or the Fir tribe. The term Pine, derived from the Celtic *pin* or *pen*, a rock or hill, appears to suggest the place of growth, and to indicate a mountain tree. A similar derivation has been attributed to the English towns Pen-ryn, Pen-rith, and the Spanish towns Penna-flor, Penna-fiel, as being built on hills, or embosomed in mountains.

1. *Pinus sylvestris*. The Wild Pine, Scotch Fir, or Red Deal, yielding common turpentine, tar, and pitch.

2. *Pinus pinaster*. The Pinaster or Cluster Pine, yielding the Bordeaux turpentine, galipot, tar, and pitch.

3. *Pinus palustris*. The Swamp or Long-leaved Pine, yielding the greater proportion of turpentine, tar, &c.

4. *Pinus tæda*. The Frankincense Pine, yielding common turpentine.

5. *Pinus pinea*. The Stone Pine, yielding the cones called *pignoli pines*, the seeds of which, named *pine nuts*, are used as a dessert.

6. *Pinus pumilio*. The Mugho or Mountain Pine, yielding an oleo-resin called *Hungarian balsam*, and an essential oil called *oleum templinum*.

7. *Pinus cembra*. The Siberian Stone Pine, yielding *Carpathian balsam*.

**PIPERACEÆ**. The Pepper tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Shrubs or herbaceous plants, with *leaves* opposite; *flowers* achlamydeous; *stamens* adhering to the base of the *ovarium*, which is superior, one-celled.

1. *Piperis longi baccæ*. Long pepper. The varieties in the market are the *short long pepper*, and the *long long pepper*.

2. *Piperis nigri baccæ*. Black pepper; the finest kind is called *shot pepper*, from its density and hardness. *White pepper* is made by separating the first skin of the berry, by soaking it in salt and water.

3. *P. D.* The technical title of *pepper dust*, consisting of the powdered husk of the mustard seed mixed with powdered pepper.

4. *Piperin*. The crystalline principle of black, white, and long pepper, but not the cause of the acrimony of pepper, which is due to a peculiar soft resin.

5. *Piper caudatum*. The dried unripe fruit of the *Piper cubeba*, or the *cubebæ* of the shops.

6. *Piper betle*. The leaf of this plant, with quick lime and areca nut, is much valued by the Malays as a masticatory.

7. *Piper angustifolium*. A Peruvian plant, recently introduced into this country under the native name of *Matico*. The leaves and flowering tops are recommended as a most valuable remedy in diseases of the genital organs and rectum.

8. *Piper methysticum*. The Ava or Cava plant of the Sandwich or Tonga islands; its specific name, derived from *μεθύω*, to be intoxicated, denotes its inebriating properties. Captain Cook and other travellers describe the "cava-



drinking" habits of the natives of these islands. The root is the part principally employed.

**PIPSISSEWA.** The common name for *chimaphela umbellata*.

**PISCES** (*piscis*, a fish). The first class of the *Encephalata* or *Vertebrata*, consisting of fishes.

**PISIFORM** (*pisum*, a pea, *forma*, likeness). Pea-like; the designation of the fourth bone of the first row of the carpus.

**PISTACIA.** The name of a genus of plants, of the order *Terebinthaceæ*.

1. *Pistacia vera*. The species which yields the *pistacia nut*, and a large quantity of fixed oil, used as an excellent emulsion in irritation of the urethra.

2. *Pistacia terebinthus*. The Turpentine *Pistacia*; the species which yields the *Chian* or *Cypress turpentine*, and certain follicular horn-like galls, used in the manufacture of a sanative balsam.

3. *Pistacia lentiscus*. The Mastic or Lentisk tree; the species which yields the resin called *mastic*.

**PISTILLUM.** Literally, a pestle. The pistil or pointed, or the female organ of generation in plants, consisting of the *ovarium*, the *style*, and the *stigma*.

**PITAINA.** A new alkaline principle, found in *Cinchona pitaya*, or the bark of an undetermined tree.

**PITCH.** The residuum which remains on inspissating tar, or boiling it down to dryness. [See *Pix*.]

**PITCHBLENDE.** A mineral of Saxony, in which the metal *uranium* was discovered; it was named from its black appearance.

**PITCHER PLANT.** A plant in which the petiole is dilated and hollowed out, like a pitcher, the lamina being articulated to it, and closing the orifice. The pitcher is called *ascidium*; and the lid, *operculum*. It occurs in *Nepenthes*, in *Sarracenia*, &c.

**PITCH.** The *medulla* of plants; a cylindrical or angular column of cellular tissue, traversing the stem and branches of exogenous plants, and terminating in the leaf-buds.

**PITTACAL** (*πίττα*, pitch, *καλός*, beautiful). A beautiful blue colouring matter, discovered in the oil of tar.

**PITTACIUM** (*πίττα*, pitch). A piece of cloth covered with a salve; a soothing plaster for the head, or other part.—*Celsus*.

**PITTED TISSUE.** *Bothrenchyma*. A modification of the cellular tissue in plants, having its sides marked by *pits*, sunk in the substance of the membrane.

It was formerly called *dotted ducts*, *vasiform tissue*, &c.

**PITUITA** (*πητύα*, a coagulum). Phlegm; viscid mucus; serosity.

1. *Pituitary membrane*. A designation of the Schneiderian membrane, which lines the cavity of the nose.

2. *Pituitary stem*. A portion of the brain, formerly called the *infundibulum*.

3. *Pituitary body*. A portion of the brain which is lodged in the sella turcica, and was formerly called the *pituitary gland*. It is not glandular.

**PITYRIASIS** (*πίτυρον*, furfur, bran). Dandriff or scurf; irregular patches of thin, bran-like scales, which repeatedly exfoliate and recur, without crusts or excoriations. The species, as given by Bateman, are—

1. *Pityriasis capitis*. Dandriff of the head, occurring in infants.

2. *Pityriasis rubra*. Red dandriff, occurring in advanced life.

3. *Pityriasis versicolor*. Characterized by the variegated appearance of the skin.

4. *Pityriasis nigra*. Black dandriff, occurring in children born in India.

**PIX, PICIS** (*πίττα*). Pitch; the resin of the wood of coniferous plants, extracted by fire and inspissated.

1. *Pix Burgundica*. Burgundy pitch; prepared by melting common Frankincense in hot water, and straining through a coarse cloth.

2. *Pix liquida*. Vegetable tar; prepared by a kind of *destillatio per descensum* of the roots and other woody parts of old pines.

3. *Pix nigra*. Black pitch; the residuum after vegetable tar has been submitted to distillation.

**PLACEBO.** Literally, though incorrectly, *I will please*; a term applied to any medicine given to please or humour the patient.

**PLACENTA** (*πλάζ*, a plain). Literally, a cake. The after-birth; an organ formed for, and appropriated to, the service of the fœtus. The human placenta is composed of two parts:—

1. The *fœtal placenta*, consisting entirely of dense tufts of branched vascular villi; and,

2. The *uterine placenta*, formed of the substance of the decidua, which penetrates between the villi of the former, even to the surface of the chorion, and completely encloses them.

[3. *Placenta Prævia*. Presentation of the Placenta.]

**PLADAROSIS** (*πλαδαρός*, wet). A fungous and flaccid tumour within the eye.



lid. It has been supposed to be the purulent ophthalmia.

**PLAGUE** (πληγή, plaga, a stroke; from πλήσσω, to strike). The name of a disease which is endemic in Egypt, &c., and has made frequent irruptions into Europe. It is denominated λοιμός by the Greeks, *pestis* and *pestilentia* by the Latins, *la peste* by the French, *pestilenza* by the Italians, and *pest* by the Germans.

**PLAITED**. *Plicatus*. A form of æstivation or vernal hibernation, in which the leaves are folded lengthwise like the plaits of a fan, as in many palms.

[**PLANTAGO MAJOR**. Plantain. A perennial herb, of the family Plantaginæ, formerly esteemed refrigerant, diuretic, deobstruent, &c., but at present rarely given internally. The leaves are used in domestic practice as a vulnerary, and as a dressing to blisters and sores.]

**PLANTA PEDIS**. The sole of the foot; the under surface of the foot.

**PLANTARIS** (*planta*, the sole of the foot). A muscle arising from the external condyle of the femur, and inserted into the inside of the os calcis. It extends the foot. [The term *plantar* is applied to several parts which belong to the sole of the foot, as arteries, aponeurosis, ligaments, nerves, and veins.]

**PLANUM OS** (*planum*, smooth). The former name of the orbital portion of the ethmoid bone.

**PLASTER**. *Emplastrum*. A solid and tenacious compound, produced by the action of oxide of lead on fixed oils and fats. See *Sapo*.

**PLASTER OF RIVERIUS**. Composed of Armenian bole, terra sigillata, vinegar, and white of egg; used in cases of aneurism.

**PLASTER OF PARIS**. The white powder obtained by exposing gypsum to a high temperature, and named from its abounding in the vicinity of Paris.

**PLATEIASMA** (πλατύς, broad). A defect in speech, characterized by the term *lobber-lipped*, and observed in persons with very thick and broad lips.

**PLATINUM**. A metal discovered in the auriferous sand of certain rivers in America. Its name is a diminutive of *plata*, silver, and was applied to it on account of its whiteness. The protoxide of platinum is called *platinous oxide*; the peroxide, *platinic oxide*.

1. *Resin of platinum*. A residuary resinous matter, obtained by distilling bi-chloride of platinum with acetone.

2. *Platinum, spongy*. Platinum procured in a state of extreme division,

though the particles adhere slightly together. It has the appearance of sponge, though perfectly metallic.

**PLATYSMA-MYOIDES** (πλατύς, broad; μῦς, a muscle; εἶδος, likeness). A muscular expansion, arising from the cellular substance of the neck, and inserted into the lower jaw, whence it extends superiorly to the face; it is also called *musculus cutaneus*, &c. It draws the skin of the cheek downwards; and, when the mouth is shut, brings the skin under the lower jaw upwards.

**PLEDGET**. A piece of lint, rolled up into an oval or orbicular form.

**PLENCK'S SOLUTION**. Mercury suspended in water by being rubbed for a considerable time with gum arabic.

**PLETHORA** (πληθώρα, fulness, from πλήθω, to fill). Repletion; full habit of body; an excessive fulness of the blood-vessels.

1. *Plethora ad molem, ad vasa, ad venas*. In which the redundancy *absolutely* exceeds what the healthy state of the individual constitution would require or bear.

2. *Plethora ad vires*. In which the redundancy is *relatively* excessive in reference to the actual strength of the system.

3. *Plethora ad spatium*. In which the redundancy is referred to reduced capacity of vessels, the actual quantity remaining the same.

4. *Plethora ad volumen*. In which the redundancy arises from increase of bulk without actual increase of quantity.

**PLEURA** (πλευρά, the side). A serous membrane which encloses each lung, invests it as far as the root, and is then reflected upon the parietes of the chest. That portion of the membrane which is in relation with the lung is called *pleura pulmonalis*; that in contact with the parietes, *pleura costalis*.

1. *Pleur-algia* (ἄλγος, pain). Pleurodynia; pain of the side.

2. *Pleur-itis*. Pleurisy; inflammation of the pleura; pain of the side.

3. *Pleuro-pneumonia*. [Pleuroperipneumony.] Acute pleurisy complicated with pneumonia.

4. *Pleuro-sthotonus* (τείνω, to stretch). Tetanus of the lateral muscles; a spasmodic disease, in which the body is bent to one side.

**PLEURENCHYMA** (πλευρά, the side, ἔγχυμα, any thing poured in). A designation of the woody tissue of plants, consisting of elongated tubes, tapering to each end.

**PLEXIMETER** (πληξίς, percussion;





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absorbed by water. It is generally furnished with a shelf about two inches under the intended surface of the water, for supporting jars or phials while they are filling with gas.

3. *Pneumatics*. The science which treats of the mechanical properties of air, and other compressible fluids, as fluidity, weight, elasticity, &c.

4. *Pneumato-cele* (κήλη, a tumour). *Hernia ventosa seu flatulenta*. Hernia distended with flatus.

5. *Pneumatosi*s. A distension of the cellular membrane by air. [It is also employed to denote an excessive secretion or accumulation of gas in any organ of the body.]

6. *Pneumo-pericardium*. A collection of air within the pericardium, frequently observed in the examination of dead bodies, particularly such as have been kept for some time. It may exist also previously to death.

7. *Pneumo-thorax* (θώραξ, the chest). A collection of aëriform fluid in the cavity of the pleura. Dr. Forbes observes, that as we have many terms relating to the lungs, commencing with *pneumo*, and several relating to *air* commencing with *pneumato*, it might have been better for the sake of uniformity to have employed the term *pneumato-thorax*,—a term which might be claimed also on classical grounds.

[PNEUMATIC SECT. A sect of physicians, founded by Athenæus, who imagined that there existed a hypothetical, immaterial principle or element, which they termed *Pneuma*, (πνευμα), and upon which they conceived health and all diseases to depend.]

PNEUMO-GASTRIC NERVES. The par vagum, nervi vagi, or eighth pair of nerves, distributed to the lungs and the stomach. From its numerous distributions, it has been termed the *middle sympathetic nerve*.

PNEUMO-HÆMORRHAGIA. A term recently proposed by Andral to denote pulmonary apoplexy, the term "apoplexy" having been originally applied to a determinate group of symptoms, and not to any particular form of organic lesion. See *Broncho-hæmorrhagia*.

PNEUMONIA (πνεύμων, πνεύμονος, the lung). *Peripneumonia*. Inflammation of the substance of the lungs. Laennec distinguishes acute pneumonia into *engorgement*, or inflammatory congestion; *hepatization*, or the red hepatization of Andral; and *purulent infiltration*, or the gray hepatization of that writer.

*Lobar, lobular, or vesicular pneumonia*.

Terms applied to pneumonia, according as it affects whole or continuous parts of lobes, the polygonal subdivision of these, or the vesicles in general.

PODAGRA (πούς, ποδός, a foot; ἄγρα, seizure). Gout in the feet; *goutte* of the French; a genus of the *Phlegmasiæ* of Cullen, who describes the following species:—

1. *Regular gout*. Violent inflammation, remaining for a few days, and gradually receding with swelling, itching, and desquamation of the part.

2. *Atonic gout*. Accompanied with atony of the stomach, or other internal part, with the usual inflammation of the joints; or with slight and temporary pains; with dyspepsia, and other symptoms of atony, often alternating with each other.

3. *Retrograde gout*. Marked by inflammation of the joints suddenly disappearing, and atony of some internal part immediately following.

4. *Aberrant gout*. Attended with inflammation of an internal part; the inflammation of the joint either not preceding, or suddenly disappearing.

[PODENCEPHALUS (πους, a foot, κεφαλή, a head). A term given by G. St. Hilaire to monsters whose brain is of the ordinary size but placed outside of the skull and supported on a pedicle which traverses the summit of the cranium.]

PODETIUM (παῦς, ποδός, a foot). A little foot; the stalk-like elongation of the thallus, which supports the fructification of the *Cenomyce*, a plant of the order Lichenes.

PODOGYNIUM (πούς, ποδός, a foot, γονή, a female). A term applied to the stalk upon which the ovary is seated in certain plants, as the *Passiflora*; *Tacsonia*, &c. It is also called *gynophore*, and *thecaphore*.

[PODOPHYLLUM PELTATUM. May apple. Mandrake. An indigenous plant of the natural order Ranunculacæ (*Podophylleæ*, Lind.). The root (rhizoma) is actively cathartic, producing watery discharges without much griping. Its certainty is increased by combining it with calmel. The dose of the powdered root is grs. xx.; of the extract which possesses all the properties of the former gr. x. to gr. xv.

[*Podophilline*. A peculiar bitter principle discovered by Mr. Wm. Hodgson, jr., of Philadelphia, in the root of *Podophyllum peltatum*.]

PODOSPERMIUM (πούς, ποδός, a foot, σπέρμα, seed). A term applied by some



writers to the funiculus or umbilical cord, by which the ovule of plants is connected with the placenta.

**PODOTHECA** (ποῦς, ποδός, a foot, θήκη, a receptacle). The cuticle of the foot; an anatomical preparation. Thus *chirotheca* (χειρ, χειρός, the hand) is the cuticle of the hand.

**PŒCILIA** (ποικίλος, variegated). Pyeballed skin.

**POISONS. Pharmaca.** Substances which derange the vital functions, and produce death, by an action not mechanical. These substances are arranged by Dr. Christison, according to their action upon the animal economy, into three classes, viz:—

1. *Irritant poisons*, or those which produce irritation or inflammation, as the mineral acids; oxalic acid; arsenic; mercury; copper; antimony; zinc; lead; baryta; and cantharides.

2. *Narcotic poisons*, or those which produce stupor, delirium, and other affections of the brain and nervous system, as opium, hydrocyanic acid, and poisonous gases.

3. *Narcotico-acrid poisons*, or those which produce sometimes irritation, sometimes narcotism, sometimes both together; these are all derived from the vegetable kingdom, as strychnia, nux vomica, and poisonous fungi.

1. The **MINERAL ACIDS**.—The principal of these are the Sulphuric, the Hydrochloric, and the Nitric.

*Symptoms*.—Sense of burning in the stomach and throat; eructations from the gases evolved in the stomach by chemical decomposition; the lips shrivelled, at first whitish, afterwards, if from nitric acid, yellowish; if from sulphuric acid, brownish; difficulty of swallowing; vomiting of brownish or black matter; costiveness, tenesmus, weak pulse; countenance glazed; extremities cold and clammy; [laborious respiration, and sense of suffocation from thick mucus in the throat.]

*Tests*.—The common properties are, those of reddening the vegetable blues, and of corroding all articles of dress, especially those made of wool, hair, and leather. The particular tests are—

1. For *Sulphuric acid*,—its property of evolving heat on being diluted; and the addition to it, in this state, of a little nitric acid, and afterwards of a solution of the nitrate of baryta, the precipitate being sulphate of baryta.

2. For *Hydrochloric acid*,—its peculiar vapour, or fumes, in the concentrated

state; or the white vapour formed when a rod dipped in it is brought near a rod dipped in ammonia; when diluted, it forms, with nitrate of silver, a white precipitate, which is the chloride of silver.

3. For *Nitric acid*,—the action of copper, lead, or tin; nitric oxide gas is disengaged, and ruddy fumes of nitrous acid gas are formed when the gas comes in contact with the oxygen of the air.

*Treatment*.—Administer chalk, or magnesia, or, in the absence of both, the plaster of the apartment beat down and made into thin paste with water; solution of soap, &c. Dilute freely, both before and after the antidote is given, with any mild fluid, milk or oleaginous matters being preferred. The treatment of the supervening inflammation is the same as that of gastritis.

2. **OXALIC ACID**.—This is the most rapid and fatal of all the common poisons; it is frequently mistaken for Epsom salt.

*Symptoms*.—Excessive irritation; burning pain in the stomach and throat, generally followed by violent vomiting, though sometimes by none; feeble pulse, or total failure of the pulse; skin cold and clammy; nervous symptoms in lingering cases; occasionally convulsions.

*Tests*.—In the form of a pure solution, its acidity is ascertained by its effects on litmus paper. With ammonia it produces a radiated crystallization, the oxalate of ammonia formed being much less soluble than the oxalic acid itself. The other tests are the hydrochlorate of lime, sulphate of copper, and nitrate of silver forming oxalates.

*Treatment*.—Emetics may be administered, if vomiting is not already free, but waste no time in giving them, if an antidote is at hand; and especially avoid diluting with warm water. Administer, as soon as possible, large doses of magnesia, or chalk, suspended in water; and, in default of these, the plaster of the apartment. Alkalis are inadmissible, as they form only soluble salts.

3. **ARSENIC**.—All the arsenical poisons operate nearly in the same manner as the white oxide, and therefore require similar tests and treatment.

*Symptoms*.—Sickness and faintness; burning pain in the region of the stomach; violent vomiting and retching, often preceded by tightness and heat in the throat, and incessant desire for drink; hoarseness and difficulty of speech; the matter vomited is greenish or yellowish, sometimes streaked with blood; diarrhoea,



or tenesmus; abdomen tense and tender, sometimes swollen, sometimes drawn in at the umbilicus; sometimes irritation of the lungs and air-passages, and of the urinary passages; cramps of the legs and arms; pulse small, feeble, rapid, and soon imperceptible, attended with great coldness, clammy sweats, and even lividity of the feet and hands; sometimes, though rarely, palpitation; the countenance collapsed from an early period, and expressive of great torture and anxiety; the eyes red and sparkling; the tongue and mouth parched; delirium and stupor; death.

*Tests for the White Oxide.*—1. Reduce the *solid* oxide to the metallic state with freshly ignited charcoal. Other tests are, its alliaceous or garlicky odour, and the production of a silvery alloy, when the oxide is mixed with carbonaceous matter, and heated between two copper plates.

2. In *solution*, the oxide is detected by the reduction-process, the ultimate object of which is to exhibit metallic arsenic; and by the liquid tests, as sulphuretted hydrogen, ammoniated nitrate of silver, and ammoniacal sulphate of copper, the indications of each of which must concur.

*Treatment.*—Evacuate the contents of the stomach by an emetic, administering milk, or strong farinaceous decoctions, both before and after the vomiting has begun, [or what is better, the hydrated sesquioxide of iron, diffused through water, in large quantity.] Allay the inflammation by blood-letting, and other antiphlogistic treatment.

4. MERCURY.—The most important of the mercurial poisons is the *Corrosive Sublimate*, or Hydrargyri oxymurias, as being the most active, and most frequently used for criminal purposes.

*Symptoms.*—Similar to those of poisoning with arsenic; vomiting, especially when any thing is swallowed; violent pain in the pit of the stomach, as well as over the whole belly, and profuse diarrhoea.

*Tests.*—Reduce the mercury to its metallic state. The liquid tests are sulphuretted hydrogen gas, hydriodate of potass, protochloride of tin, and nitrate of silver.

*Treatment.*—Give white of egg [or gluten] diluted in water, which converts the bichloride of mercury into a protochloride; if albumen or gluten cannot be had, milk should be used; iron filings reduced to the metallic state; meconic acid, from its tendency to form insoluble salts with the metallic oxides, is a good

antidote; alkaline meconates are also useful. The treatment for salivation consists in exposure to a cool pure air, nourishing diet, purgatives, and sometimes venesection.

5. COPPER.—The most important among the poisonous salts of this metal are the sulphate, or *blue vitriol*, and the mixed acetates, or *artificial verdigris*.

*Symptoms.*—Generally the same as those caused by arsenic and corrosive sublimate. Some peculiarities have been observed, as violent headache, then vomiting, and cutting pains in the bowels, and afterwards cramps in the legs, and pains in the thighs. Sometimes, throughout the whole course of the symptoms, there is a peculiar coppery taste in the mouth, and a singular aversion to the smell of copper; occasionally there is jaundice; death is generally preceded by convulsions and insensibility.

*Tests.*—The four following tests, taken together, are sufficient for copper in solution:—

1. *Ammonia*,—which causes a pale azure-coloured precipitate, which is redissolved by an excess of the test, forming a deep violet-blue transparent fluid.

2. *Sulphuretted hydrogen gas*,—which causes a dark brownish-black precipitate, the sulphuret of copper.

3. *Ferro-cyanate of potassa*,—which causes a fine hair-brown precipitate, the ferro-cyanate of copper.

4. *Metallic iron*,—a polished rod, or plate of which, held in a solution of copper, soon becomes covered with a red powdery crust, which is the copper in its metallic state.

*Treatment.*—The best antidotes are the white of eggs, and metallic iron. Avoid vinegar, which must be more injurious than useful, on account of its solvent power over the insoluble compounds formed by the salts of copper with animal and vegetable matters.

6. ANTIMONY.—Poisoning with the preparations of antimony is not common; accidents, however, sometimes occur, from their extensive employment in medicine. The principal preparation is *Tartar Emetic*.

*Symptoms.*—Vomiting, attended with burning pain in the pit of the stomach, and followed by purging and colic pains; tightness in the throat, and violent cramps.

*Tests.*—The tests for the solution of *tartar emetic* are—

1. *Caustic potass*, which precipitates it white, if tolerably concentrated.

2. *Lime water*, which also precipitates





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A piece of zinc, held for some time in a solution not too diluted; it displaces the lead, taking its place in the solution; and the lead is deposited in the form of a crystalline arborescence. This is a very characteristic test.

4. *Goulard's Extract* is distinguished from sugar of lead by the effect of a stream of carbonic acid, which throws down a copious precipitate of carbonate of lead.

*Treatment.*—For the *irritant* form of poisoning, administer any of the soluble alkaline or earthy sulphates; in default of them the alkaline carbonates, particularly the bicarbonates, which are not so irritating as the carbonates. The phosphate of soda is an excellent antidote. If the patient does not vomit, give an emetic of the sulphate of zinc. In other respects, the treatment is the same as that of poisoning with the irritants generally. In the advanced period, when *palsy* is the chief symptom remaining, the treatment depends almost entirely on regimen.

9. BARYTA.—The preparations of this earth are of importance, from their being very energetic, and easily procured. These are the pure earth, or oxide, the muriate, and the carbonate.

*Symptoms.*—In a case in which an ounce of the muriate was swallowed, by mistake for Glauber's salt, a sense of burning was felt in the stomach; vomiting, convulsions, head-ache, and deafness ensued; and death took place within an hour. Violent vomiting, gripes, and diarrhœa, have been produced by a quantity not much exceeding the usual medicinal doses.

*Tests.*—The *Carbonate* is known by its white colour, insolubility in water, solubility, with effervescence, in muriatic acid, and the properties of the resulting muriate of baryta. The tests for the *Muriate* are the following:—

1. *Sulphuretted hydrogen* distinguishes it from all other metallic poisons, as it causes no change in the barytic solutions.

2. The *Alkaline sulphates* distinguish it from the alkaline and magnesian salts, as they do not act upon these compounds, but cause, in all solutions of baryta, a heavy white precipitate, which is insoluble in nitric acid.

3. It is distinguished from the muriates of lime and strontia, by evaporating the solution till it crystallizes. The crystals are known not to be muriate of lime, because they are not deliquescent. The crystals of the muriate of strontia,

which is not poisonous, are delicate six-sided prisms, while those of the barytic salt are four-sided tables, often truncated on two opposite angles, sometimes on all four; the muriate of strontia is further distinguished from the poison by its solubility in alcohol, which does not take up the muriate of baryta,—and by its effect on the flame of alcohol, which it colours rose-red, while the barytic salts colour it yellow.

4. It is distinguished from the other soluble barytic salts, by the action of nitrate of silver, which throws down a white precipitate.

*Treatment.*—Administer speedily some alkaline or earthy sulphate, as that of soda or magnesia, which immediately converts the poison into the insoluble sulphate of baryta, which is quite inert.

10. CANTHARIDES.—The principle of this poison appears to be, according to M. Robiquet, a white, crystalline, scaly substance, termed *cantharadin*.

*Symptoms.*—In a case in which a drachm of the powder was taken by a young man, there was a sense of burning in the throat and stomach, and, in about an hour, violent pain in the lower belly; the voice became feeble, the breathing laborious, and the pulse contracted; there was excessive thirst, and unutterable anguish in swallowing any liquid; there was also priapism. To these symptoms may be added tenesmus, strangury, salivation, and occasionally signs of injury of the nervous system; headache, and delirium.

*Tests.*—When the case has been rapid, the remains of the powder will probably be found in the stomach, and may be easily discovered by its resplendent green colour. It appears that it does not undergo decomposition for a long time when mixed with decaying animal matters.

*Treatment.*—No antidote has yet been discovered. If vomiting has not begun, emetics may be given; if otherwise, they should be discouraged. Oleaginous and demulcent injections into the bladder generally relieve the strangury. The warm bath is a useful auxiliary. Leeches and blood-letting are required, according to the degree of the inflammation.

1. OPIUM.—The principles contained in this substance, and which are thrown down by boiling a watery infusion of it with magnesia, are *morphia*, the alkaloid of opium,—*narcotine*, a poison, not an alkaloid,—a peculiar acid named the *meconic*,—and a resinoid substance.

*Symptoms.*—Giddiness and stupor; the



person becomes motionless, and insensible to external impressions, breathes slowly, and lies quite still, with his eyes shut, and the pupils contracted, the whole expression of the countenance being that of deep and perfect repose. As the poisoning advances, the features become ghastly, the pulse feeble and imperceptible, the muscles excessively relaxed, and, unless assistance is speedily procured, death ensues. If the person recovers, the sopor is attended by prolonged sleep, which commonly ends in twenty-four or thirty-six hours, and is followed by nausea, vomiting, giddiness, and loathing of food. It should be remembered, that the possibility of rousing the patient from the lethargy caused by opium is in general a good criterion for distinguishing the effects of this poison from apoplexy and epilepsy.

*Tests.*—These may be distinguished according to their action upon the different principles of opium.

1. *Morphia*, when treated with nitric acid, is dissolved with effervescence, and becomes instantly orange-red, which, if too much acid has been used, changes quickly to yellow. When suspended in water, in the form of fine powder, and treated with a drop or two of permuriate of iron, it is dissolved, and forms a deep greenish-blue solution. *Morphia* is precipitated from its solutions by the alkalis.

2. *Narcotine* does not undergo the changes produced on *morphia* by nitric acid and the permuriate of iron. When crystallized together from alcohol, and not quite pure, the *narcotine* forms tufts of pearly thin tabular crystals, while the *morphia* is in short, thick, adamantine, prismatic crystals.

3. *Meconic acid*, when heated in a tube, is partly decomposed, and partly sublimed; and the sublimate condenses in filamentous, radiated crystals. When dissolved, even in a very large quantity of water, the solution acquires an intense cherry-red colour with the permuriate of iron. The sublimed crystals have the same property. Its solution gives a pale-green precipitate with the sulphate of copper, and if the precipitate is not too abundant, it is dissolved by boiling, but reappears on cooling.

*Treatment.*—The primary object is to remove the poison from the stomach; this is done by emetics of *sulphate of zinc*, in the dose of half a drachm, or two scruples,—by the stomach-pump,—by the injection of tartar emetic into the rectum, or, as a last resource, by the injection of

a grain of tartar emetic into the veins, care being taken not to introduce air into the vein. The next object is to keep the patient constantly roused, by dragging him up and down between two men. Cold water, dashed over the head and breast has succeeded in restoring consciousness for a short time, and appears to be an excellent way to insure the operation of emetics. Internal stimulants have been given with advantage, as *assafoetida*, ammonia, camphor, musk, &c. Venesection has also been successfully used; and, in desperate cases, artificial respiration may be adopted with propriety. [Electro-magnetism has been applied with success.] When the opium has been completely removed, the vegetable acids and infusion of coffee have been found useful for reviving the patient, and subsequently in subduing sickness, vomiting, and headache.

2. *HYDROCYANIC ACID.* This poison is found in the essential oils and distilled waters of the *Bitter Almond*, the *Cherry Laurel*, the *Peach-blossom*, &c.

*Symptoms.* A person who swallowed an ounce of the alcoholized acid, containing about forty grains of the pure acid, was observed immediately to stagger, and then to sink down without a groan, apparently lifeless; the pulse was gone, and the breathing was for some time imperceptible. After a short interval, he made so forcible an expiration that the ribs seemed drawn almost to the spine. The legs and arms became cold, the eyes prominent, glistening, and quite insensible; and after one or two more convulsive expirations he died, five minutes after swallowing the poison.

*Tests.*—1. Its *Peculiar Odour*, which, when diffused through the air, has a distant resemblance to that of bitter almonds, but is accompanied with a peculiar impression of acidity in the nostrils and back of the throat.

2. The *Sulphate of Copper* forms with it, when rendered alkaline with a little potass, a green precipitate, which becomes nearly white on the addition of a little hydrochloric acid.

3. If the acid is rendered alkaline by potass, the *Salts of the Protoxide of Iron* produce a grayish-green precipitate, which, on the addition of a little sulphuric acid, becomes of a deep Prussian-blue colour. The common green vitriol answers very well for this purpose.

4. The *Nitrate of Silver* produces, in a very diluted solution, a white precipitate; which, when dried and heated,



emits cyanogen gas, which is easily known by the beautiful rose-red colour of its flame.

*Treatment.*—This consists in the use of the cold affusion, and the inhalation of diluted ammonia or chlorine, venesection [at the *jugular vein*, and the administration of carbonate of potash, and the mixed sulphates of iron, if aid has been obtained in good time.]

3. POISONOUS GASES.—1. *Sulphuretted Hydrogen*, the most deleterious of all the gases. The *Symptoms*, in cases where the vapours are breathed in a state of concentration, are sudden weakness, and all the signs of ordinary asphyxia. When the emanations are less concentrated, two varieties of affections have been observed, the one consisting of pure coma, the other of coma and tetanic convulsions.

*Test.*—The presence of this gas, in all noxious emanations, is best proved by exposing to them a bit of filtering paper moistened with a solution of lead. The smell alone must not be relied on, as putrescent animal matter exhales an odour like that of sulphuretted hydrogen, though none be present.

2. *Carbonic acid*, the most important of the deleterious gases, as being the daily source of fatal accidents. A person immersed in this *gas diluted with air*, was at first affected with violent and irregular convulsions of the whole body, and perfect insensibility, afterwards with fits of spasm like tetanus; and during the second day, when these symptoms had gone off, he continued to be affected with dumbness.

3. The *Fumes of Burning Charcoal* appear to have produced, in a certain case, slight oppression, then violent palpitation, and next confusion of ideas, gradually ending in insensibility. Sometimes there are tightness in the temples, and an undefinable sense of alarm; at other times, a pleasing sensation.

*Treatment.*—This consists chiefly in the occasional employment of the cold affusion, and in moderate blood-letting from the arm or from the head.

1. STRYCHNIA. This is the most energetic poison next to the Prussic acid.

*Symptoms.*—[In a case in which Strychnia had been prescribed in too large doses, the patient was seized with spasm of the muscles about the larynx and those of one arm; she felt as if strangled. On a repetition of the dose, the same symptoms were renewed; she *felt* and *looked* as if strangled.—*Dr. M. Hall.*]

*Tests.*—An intensely bitter taste; its alcoholic solution has an alkaline reaction; it forms neutral and crystallizable salts with the acids; in its ordinary form it is turned orange-red by the action of nitric acid, owing to the presence of a yellow colouring matter, or of brucea; pure strychnia is not turned orange-red by nitric acid; the orange colour is destroyed by proto-chloride of tin.

2. NUX VOMICA. This is the most common species of *Strychnos*; no poison causes so much torture. It is very often found in the stomach of those poisoned with it.

*Symptoms.*—In the most characteristic case yet published, there were convulsions, with much agitation and anxiety; during the fits “the whole body was stiffened and straightened, the legs pushed out, and forced wide apart; no pulse or breathing could be perceived; the face and hands were livid, and the muscles of the former violently convulsed.” In the short intervals between the fits, the patient was quite sensible, had a quick, faint pulse, complained of sickness, with great thirst, and perspired freely. “A fourth and most violent fit soon succeeded, in which the whole body was extended to the utmost from head to foot. From this she never recovered: she seemed to fall into a state of asphyxia, relaxed her grasp, and dropped her hands on her knees. Her brows, however, remained contracted, her lips drawn apart, salivary foam issued from the corners of her mouth, and the expression of the countenance was altogether most horrid.” She died in an hour after swallowing the poison.

*Tests.*—1. The powder has a dirty greenish-gray colour, an intensely bitter taste, and an odour like powder of liquorice. It inflames on burning charcoal; and, when treated with nitric acid, acquires an orange-red colour, which is destroyed by the addition of proto-chloride of tin. Its infusion also is turned orange-red by nitric acid, and precipitated grayish-white with tincture of galls.

2. It may be detected in the stomach by boiling the contents,—or the powder, if it can be separated,—in water acidulated with sulphuric acid. The liquid, after filtration, is neutralized with carbonate of lime, and then evaporated to dryness. The dry mass is then acted on with successive portions of alcohol, and evaporated to the consistence of a thin syrup. The product has an intensely bitter taste, precipitates with ammonia,





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6. *Poly-dipsia* (δίψα, thirst). Excessive thirst; insatiable desire of drinking.

7. *Poly-gala* (γάλα, milk). A genus of plants, so named from the abundance of their milky juice. By boiling the powder of the root of the *Polygala senega*, an acid is procured, called *polygalic acid*; a new alkaloid is also obtained from several species, called *polygalin*. [See *Polygaleæ*.]

8. *Poly-gamia* (γάμος, nuptials). The twenty-third class in Linnæus's system of plants, comprising those which bear hermaphrodite and unisexual flowers on the same individual; or hermaphrodites on one individual, males on a second, and females on a third.

9. *Poly-gastrica* (γαστήρ, a stomach). The first class of the *Diplo-neura* or *Helminthoïda*, consisting of minute, transparent, soft, aquatic animals, with numerous stomachs or cæca communicating with an internal alimentary cavity, without perceptible nerves or muscles, moving by external vibratile cilia.

10. *Poly-gonum* (γόνη, the knee). A genus of plants, so named from their numerous joints. The only species worth noticing is the *P. bistorta*, Great Bistort, or Snake-weed. See *Bistorta*.

11. *Poly-gynia* (γυνή, a woman). An order of plants in the Linnæan system, in which there is an indefinite number of pistils.

12. *Poly-meric* (μέρος, a part). A term applied to compounds in which the ratio of the elements is the same in different compounds, but the total number of each is greater in one compound than in the others.

13. *Poly-petalous* (πέταλον, a flower-leaf). A term applied to a corolla, of which the petals are distinct from each other.

14. *Poly-phagia* (φάγω, to eat). Excessive desire of eating. See *Bulimia*.

15. *Poly-pi-fera*. The second class of the *Cyclo-neura*, or *radiata*, consisting of soft, aquatic animals, of a plant-like form, which develop small tubular digestive sacs called *polypi*.

16. *Poly-pus* (πούς, a foot). A tumour, generally of a pyriform shape, occurring in the nose, uterus, &c.; and named from an erroneous idea that it has several feet, or roots, like the animal so called.

17. *Poly-sarcia* (σὰρξ, flesh). Corpulency; obesity; bulkiness of the body.

18. *Poly-sepalous*. A term applied to a calyx of which the sepals are distinct from each other.

19. *Poly-spermous* (σπέρμα, seed). A term applied to fruits which contain many seeds, as distinguished from those which have few, or the *oligo-spermous*.

20. *Poly-uria* (οὔρον, urine). Excessive discharge of urine.

**POLYGALÆÆ.** The Milkwort tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Shrubs or herbaceous plants with *leaves* generally alternate; *flowers* polypetalous, unsymmetrical; *stamens* hypogynous; *ovarium* 2-celled; *fruit* dehiscent.

[1. *Polygala Rubella*. Bitter Polygala. An indigenous plant introduced into the Secondary list of the Ph. U. S.; and the root and herb of which is considered to be, in small doses, tonic, and in larger, laxative and diaphoretic.

[2. *Polygala Senega*. Seneka Snake root. An indigenous plant, the root of which is in small doses stimulating, expectorant, diuretic and diaphoretic, and in large doses emetic and purgative, and sometimes emmenagogue. It seems indeed to excite all the secretions. It is chiefly employed however as an expectorant, and is considered a valuable remedy in chronic catarrh, humoral asthma, secondary stages of croup, and in peripneumonia notha. It has also been employed as an emetic, purgative and diaphoretic in rheumatism, as a diuretic in dropsy, and an emmenagogue in amenorrhœa. It is most generally used in decoction, of which the dose is ℥ij. The dose of the powdered root is from gr. x. to ℥j.]

**POLYGONEÆÆ.** The Buck-wheat tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* occasionally unisexual; *stamens* definite; *ovarium* superior; *seed* with farinaceous albumen.

[*Polygonum Bistorta*. Bistort root. This species is a native of Europe and the north of Asia. The root, which is officinal, is powerfully astringent. It is rarely used in this country.

[POLYPODIUM FILIX FŒMINA. Asplenium filix fœmina. q. v.

[POLYPODIUM FILIX MAS. Aspidium filix mas. q. v.

[POLYPODIUM VULGARE. Common Polypody. A fern, the root of which was formerly employed as a purgative and expectorant, but is now rarely used, being generally considered inert.]

**POMACEÆÆ** (*pomum*, an apple). The Apple tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* polypetalous; *stamens* perigynous; *fruit* 1 to 5-celled.



**POMPHOLYX** (*πομφόλυξ*, a water-bubble). Water-blebs; an eruption of bullæ or blebs, without inflammation round them, and without fever, breaking and healing without scale or crust.

**POMUM**. An Apple. A fruit consisting of two or more inferior carpels, united together, the pericarp being fleshy, and formed of the floral envelope and ovary closely cohering.

**POMUM ADAMI** (Adam's apple). The prominent part of the thyroid cartilage, so called from its projecting more in men than in women.

**PONDERABLE** (*pondus*, weight). A term applied to matters possessing *weight*, as metals, gases, &c., and used in contradistinction to the imponderable agents, as light, heat, and electricity.

**PONDO** (*pondus*, weight). A pound weight; a term indeclinable both in the singular and the plural numbers.

**PONS, PONTIS**. A bridge; a medium of communication between two parts.

1. *Pons hepatis*. A portion of the substance of the liver, which passes from one lobe to the other, frequently converting the lower half of the *longitudinal fissure* into a true canal.

2. *Pons Tarini*. A layer of whitish gray substance, connected on either side with the *crura cerebri*. From its being perforated by several thick tufts of arteries, it is also called *locus perforatus*. It forms part of the floor of the third ventricle.

3. *Pons Varolii*. A broad transverse band of white fibres which arches, like a bridge, across the upper part of the *medulla oblongata*. It is the commissure of the *cerebellum*, and associates the two lateral lobes in their common function. It is also called *protuberantia annularis*, *nodus encephali*, &c.

**POPLES** (*plico*, to fold). The ham of the leg behind the knee.

[*Popliteal*. Relating to the ham of the leg.]

*Popliteus*. A muscle arising from the external condyle of the femur, and inserted into the superior triangular surface at the back of the tibia. It bends the thigh and leg.

**POPULIN**. An alkaloid found in the bark of the *Populus tremula*, where it is accompanied by salicin.

[**POPULUS**. Poplar. A genus of plants of the family *Amentaceæ*. The leaf buds of many of the species are covered with a resinous exudation to which they owe their virtues. They have been used in pectoral, rheumatic, and nephritic affections. An ointment, prepared with the

buds of *P. nigra*, was formerly officinal. The bark of some of the species, as *P. tremula*, and *P. tremuloides*, is tonic, and has been used in intermittent fever.]

**PORCELAIN**. A fine and pure clay, prepared by levigation from mouldering granite or other disintegrated felspathic rocks, and termed in Staffordshire *China clay*. The art was first practised in Dresden.

[**PORCUPINE DISEASE**. Ichthyosis; fish-skin disease.]

**PORIFERA** (*porus*, a pore, *fero*, to bear). The first class of the *Cycloneura* or *Radiata*, consisting of soft gelatinous animals, which have their body traversed internally by numerous anastomosing canals, commencing from superficial minute pores and terminating in larger open vents.

**POROSITY** (*porus*, a pore). The property of having pores; a property of all masses of matter, even the densest. See *Impenetrability*.

**PORPHYROXIN**. A supposed new principle found in Bengal opium.

[**PORRACEOUS** (*porrum*, a leek). Green; of the colour of leeks.]

**PORRIGO** (*porrum*, garlic, from the peculiar odour of the discharge; or from *porrigo*, to spread). Moist scall; an eruption of straw-coloured pustules, concreting into yellow or brownish crusts, or cellular scabs. The species are—

1. *Porrigo larvalis*. Milk scall, or the *crustea lactea* of authors. It envelopes the face of infants, like a *larva*, or mask.

2. *Porrigo furfurans*. An eruption of pustules which successively issue in thin scabs, like *furfur*, bran, or scurf.

3. *Porrigo lupinosa*. An eruption of pustules which terminate in small scabs like *lupine-seeds*.

4. *Porrigo scutulata*. An eruption of pustules leading to thin scabs, and eventually becoming *ringworm*, which affects the whole scalp like a *scutulum*, or little shield.

5. *Porrigo decalvans*. An eruption obscurely pustular, and consisting in *calvities*, or bald patches of the scalp.

6. *Porrigo favosa*. An eruption occurring in all parts of the body, and resembling a *favus*, or honeycomb.

[**PORRUM**. Leek-root. A species of *Allium*. The bulb, which is the officinal portion, is stimulant, expectorant, diuretic, and rubefacient.]

[**PORTA**. A gate. A name for the female pudenda; also for the transverse fissure of the liver, through which the



hepatic ducts, hepatic artery, and portal vein enter this gland.]

**PORTAL CIRCULATION.** A subordinate part of the venous circulation, in which the blood makes an additional circuit before it joins the rest of the venous blood. There are in the vertebrate classes two portal circulations; one of the liver, the other of the kidneys. The former exists in all the vertebrata; the latter, only in reptiles, amphibia, and fishes.

**PORTAL VEIN.** *Vena portæ.* A vein originating from all the organs within the abdomen, except the kidneys and bladder, and the uterus in the female. It has two principal trunks, the *splenic* and *superior mesenteric* veins.

**PORTIO DURA.** The *hard* portion of the seventh pair of nerves, or *facial*, arising from the upper part of the respiratory tract, where it joins the pons Varolii.

*Portio mollis.* The *soft* portion of the seventh pair of nerves, or *auditory*, arising from the anterior wall or floor of the fourth ventricle, by means of the *lineæ transversæ*, or white fibres, of the *calamus scriptorius*.

**PORTLAND SAGO.** *Portland Arrow-root.* A fecula prepared, in the island of Portland, from the cormus of the *Arum maculatum*, Wake-robin, or Cuckoo-pint.

[**PORTULACA OLEACRA.** Garden Purslain. An annual succulent plant, cultivated in gardens, and considered a cooling diuretic.]

**PORUS.** A pore; a minute orifice in the skin, which serves as a passage for the perspiration, cutaneous absorption, &c. Also, a small interstice between the particles of matter which compose bodies.

1. *Porus opticus.* An opening in the centre of the cribriform lamella, for the transmission of the *arteria centralis retinæ* to the eye.

2. *Porii biliarii.* Biliary pores; the slender roots of the hepatic duct arising from the granulations of the liver.

**POSCA.** A term used by Celsus for sour wine mingled with water, and probably derived from *poto*, to drink, as *esca* is from *edo*, to eat.

**POSIOLOGY** (*πόσις*, how much; *λόγος*, description). That branch of medicine which treats of *quantity*, or doses. A table of doses of the principal medicines is given under the term *Dose*.

**POSSET.** Milk curdled with wine, or an acid. The term is probably derived from *posca*.

**POSTERIOR AURIS.** A muscle situated behind the ear, and consisting of

one or more bundles of *fleshy fibres*, sometimes called *musculi retrahentes auriculam*.

[**POSTHITIS** (*ποσθιον*, the prepuce). Inflammation of the prepuce.]

**POST-MORTEM EXAMINATION.** A barbarous expression for the opening and examination of the dead body. *Sectio* is not satisfactory. *Autopsia* is unintelligible.

**POT-METAL.** A mixture of copper, and about a fourth its weight of lead.

**POTASSA.** Potass, or potash; the Vegetable Alkali, so called from its being obtained by the incineration of vegetables. It is the hydrated protoxide of potassium, and is known by the names of *potassa fusa*, *kali causticum*, *lapis infernalis*, *causticum commune acerrimum*, &c. The term *potash* is derived from the circumstance that the water in which the ashes are washed is evaporated in iron pots.

1. *Potassa impura.* The pearl-ash of commerce, also called *cineres clavellati*.

2. *Potassæ acetæ.* Acetate of potass, also called *sal diureticus*, *terra foliata tartari*, *sal digestivus Sylvii*, &c.

3. *Potassæ carbonas.* Carbonate of potash, formerly called salt of tartar, mild vegetable alkali, fixed nitre, and sub-carbonate of potash.

4. *Potassæ bi-carbonas.* Bi-carbonate of potash, formerly called carbonate of potash, or aerated kali.

5. *Potassæ sub-carbonas.* Sub-carbonate of potass, formerly called *kali præparatum*, *sal absinthii*, *sal tartari*, &c.

6. *Potassæ chloras.* Chlorate of potash, also called oxymuriate or hyperoxymuriate of potash.

7. *Potassæ nitras.* Nitrate of potass, nitre, or saltpetre; when fused and cast into moulds, it is known by the name of *sal prunelle*.

8. *Potassæ sulphas.* Sulphate of potass, formerly called *kali vitriolatum*, *tartarum vitriolatum*, *sal de duobus*, *sal polychrest*, *arcanum duplicatum*, &c.

9. *Potassæ bi-sulphas.* Bi-sulphate of potass, the *sal enixum* of commerce; also called acid vitriolated tartar, *sal auri philosophicum*.

10. *Potassæ sulphuretum.* Sulphuret of potass, formerly called *kali sulphuretum*, *hepar sulphuris*, &c.

11. *Potassæ tartras.* Tartrate of potass, formerly called *tartarum solubile*, *kali tartarizatum*, *vegetable salt*, &c.

12. *Potassæ bi-tartras.* Bitartrate of potash, also called *cream of tartar*, *super-*





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its time). Premature development of sexual organization or power.

**PRECURSOR** (*præ*, before, *curro*, to run). A term applied to symptoms which precede, or indicate the approach of, a disease.

**PREDISPOSING CAUSE.** [Predisposition.] A state which renders the body susceptible of disease, as temperament, age, sex, &c.

**PREGNANCY** (*prægnans*, quasi *gignere præ*, pregnant). Utero-gestation; the period of child-bearing. In classic writers, *prægnans* is said of a woman whose lying-in is near at hand, and *gravida* of a woman with child, whether the time of her delivery be near or distant. But this distinction is not constant.

1. *Spurious pregnancy.* An affection, described by Dr. Gooch, in which the mammæ are swollen, and discharge a serous fluid resembling thin milk, being precisely what takes place in real pregnancy.

2. Madame Boivin describes three kinds of *Mole*, which always consist in a morbid product of conception; these are the false germ, the fleshy mole, and the vesicular or hydatid mole.

[3. *Abdominal pregnancy.* In which the fœtus is in the abdominal cavity.

[4. *Complex pregnancy.* When the uterus contains in addition to a fœtus, a mole, hydatids, &c.

[5. *Interstitial pregnancy.* When the embryo is developed in the substance of the uterus.

[6. *Ovarian pregnancy.* When the fœtus is developed within the ovary.

[7. *Tubal pregnancy.* When the fœtus is developed in the Fallopian tube.

[8. *Utero-abdominal.* When there are two fœtuses, one in the uterus, the other in the abdominal cavity.

[9. *Utero-ovarian pregnancy.* There being two fœtuses, one in the uterus, the other within the ovary.]

[10. *Utero-tubal pregnancy.* Where there are two fœtuses, one in the uterus, the other in the Fallopian tube.]

[**PREPUCE.** See *Præputium*.]

**PREHENSILE** (*prehendere*, to take hold of). Adapted for taking hold of or grasping.]

[*Prehension* (*prehendere*, to take hold of). Taking hold of. *Prehension of food*, the act of conveying food to the mouth and introducing it into that cavity.]

**PRESBYOPIA** (*πρεσβυς*, old, *ὤψ*, the eye). [Presbytia.] Far-sightedness. A state of the eye observed in advanced age, and strongly marked in old persons. It is the opposite of *myopia*.

**PRESCRIPTION** (*præscribo*, to write before). - A medicinal formula. It has been divided into four constituent parts, suggested with a view of enabling the basis to operate, in the language of Asclepiades, "*citò*," "*tutò*," et "*jucundè*;" quickly, safely, and pleasantly. These are—

1. The *Basis*, or principle medicine.

2. The *Adjuvans*; that which assists and promotes its operation—" *Citò*."

3. The *Corrigens*; that which corrects its operation—" *Tutò*."

4. The *Constituens*; that which imparts an agreeable form—" *Jucundè*."

*Abbreviations used in Prescriptions:—*

*A. Aa.* Ana, of each ingredient.

*Abdom.* Abdomen, the belly.

*Abs. febr.* Absente febre, in the absence of fever.

*Add.* Adde et addantur, add, let there be added; addendus, to be added; addendo, by adding.

*Ad def. animi.* Ad defectionem animi, to fainting.

*Ad 2 vic.* Ad duas vices, at twice taking.

*Ad gr. acid.* Ad gratam aciditatem, to an agreeable sourness.

*Ad lib.* Ad libitum, at pleasure.

*Admov.* Admove, apply; admoveatur or admoveantur, let there be applied.

*Ad recid. præc.* Ad recidivum præcavendum, to prevent a relapse.

*Adst. febre.* Adstante febre, when the fever is on.

*Aggred. febre.* Aggrediente febre, while the fever is coming on.

*Altern. horis.* Alternis horis, every other hour.

*Aliquant.* Aliquantillum, a very little.

*Alvo adst.* Alvo adstrictâ, when the belly is bound.

*Amp.* Amplus, large.

*Anodyn.* Anodynus, anodyne.

*Apert.* Apertos, clear, &c.

*Applic.* Applicetur, let there be applied.

*Aq. bull.* Aqua bulliens, boiling water.

[*Aq. comm.* Aqua communis, common water.]

*Aq. dest.* Aqua destillata, distilled water.

*Aq. ferv.* Aqua fervens, boiling water.

*Aq. font.* Aqua fontana, spring water.

[*Aq. marin.* Aqua marina, sea water.]

[*Aq. pluv.* Aqua pluvialis, rain water.]

[*Aq. pur.* Aqua pura, pure water.]

[*B. A.* Balneum arenæ, a sand bath.]

[*Baln. mariæ.* Balneum mariæ, a salt-water bath.]

*Baln. tep.* Balneum tepidum, warm bath.

[*Baln. vap.* Balneum vaporis, a vapour bath.]

*BB. Bbds.* Barbadosis, Barbadoes.



- [*Bib.* Bibe, drink].  
*Bis ind.* Bis indies, twice a day.  
*[Bol.* Bolus, a bolus.]  
*Bull.* Bulliat, let it boil.  
*[But.* Butyrum, butter.]  
*Cap.* Capiat, let him take.  
*Cærul.* Cærulens, blue.  
*Cat.* Cataplasma, a cataplasm.  
*Cath.* Catharticus, cathartic.  
*C. C.* Cucurbitula cruenta, a cupping-glass.  
*C. M.* Cras mane, to-morrow morning.  
*C. N.* Cras nocte, to-morrow night.  
*Coch. ampl.* Cochleare amplum, a large spoon.  
*Cochl. infant.* Cochleare infantis, a child's spoon.  
*Cochl. magn.* Cochleare magnum, a large spoon.  
*Cochl. mod.* Cochleare modicum, a dessert spoon.  
*Cochl. med.* Cochleare medium, the same as cochleare modicum.  
*Cochl. parv.* Cochleare parvum, a small spoon.  
*Col.* Colatus, strained.  
*Colat.* Colatur, let it be strained; colaturæ, of or to the strained liquor.  
*Colent.* Colentur, let them be strained.  
*Comp.* Compositus, compounded.  
*[Conf.* Confectio, a confection.]  
*[Cong.* Congius, a gallon.]  
*Cont. rem.* Continuantur remedia, let the medicines be continued.  
*[Cort.* Cortex, bark.]  
*Cop.* Copiosus, plenteous.  
*Coq.* Coque, boil; coquantur, let them be boiled.  
*Crast.* Crastinus, for to-morrow.  
*C. V.* Cras vespere, to-morrow evening.  
*Cucurb. cruent.* See C. C.  
*Cuj.* Cujus, of which.  
*Cujusl.* Cujuslibet, of any.  
*Cyath. theæ,* Cyatho theæ, in a cup of tea.  
*Deaur. pil.* Deaurentur pilulæ, let the pills be gilt.  
*Deb. spiss.* Debita spissitudo, a proper consistence.  
*Decub.* Decubitûs, of lying down.  
*De d. in d.* De die in diem, from day to day.  
*[Dec.* Decanta, decant.]  
*Dej. alvi.* Dejectiones alvi, stools.  
*[Dep.* Depuratus, purified.]  
*Det.* Detur, let it be given.  
*Dext. lat.* Dextra lateralis, right side.  
*Dieb. alt.* Diebus alternis, every other day.  
*Dieb. tert.* Diebus tertiis, every third day.
- [*Dig.* Digeratur, let it be digested.]  
*[Dil.* Dilutus, diluted.]  
*Diluc.* Diluculo, at day-break.  
*[Dim.* Dimidium, one half.]  
*Dir. prop.* Directione propriâ, with a proper direction.  
*[Dist.* Distalla, or distillata, distil or distilled.]  
*Diurn.* Diurnus, long-continued.  
*[Div.* Divide, divide.]  
*Donec. alv. bis dej.* Donec alvus bis dejectat, until two stools have been obtained.  
*Donec alv. sol. fuer.* Donec alvus soluta fuerit, until a stool has been obtained.  
*[Drach.* Drachma, a drachm.]  
*[Ed.* Edulcora, sweeten.]  
*Efferv.* Effervescentia, effervescence.  
*EjUSD.* Ejusdem, of the same.  
*Elect.* Electuarium, electuary.  
*Emp.* Emplastrum, a plaster.  
*Enem.* Enema, a clyster; enemata, clysters.  
*Ex. vel extr.* Extractum, extract.  
*[Exhib.* Exhibe, give, or exhibiatur, let it be given.]  
*Ext. sup. alut.* Extende super alutam, spread upon leather.  
*F. ft.* Fiat, let a — be made.  
*[F. S. A.* Fiat secundum artem, let it be made according to the rules of art.]  
*F. h.* Fiat haustus, let a draught be made.  
*F. pil. xij.* Fac pilulas duodecim, make 12 pills.  
*Feb. dur.* Febre durante, during the fever.  
*Fem. intern.* Femoribus internis, to the inner part of the thighs.  
*F. venæ* or *F. V. S.* Fiat venæsectio, bleed.  
*[Filt.* Filtra, filter.]  
*Fist. arm.* Fistula armata, a clyster pipe and bladder fit for use.  
*[Flor.* Flores, flowers.]  
*Fl.* Fluidus, liquid; also, by measure.  
*[Fol.* Folium, a leaf, or folia, leaves.]  
*Fontic.* Fonticulus, an issue.  
*Fot.* Fotus, a fomentation.  
*[Fruct.* Fructus, fruit.]  
*[Frust.* Frustillatim, in small pieces.]  
*Garg.* Gargarisma, a gargle.  
*Gel. quâv.* Gelatinâ quâvis, in any kind of jelly.  
*G. G. G.* Gummi guttæ Gambiæ, gamboge.  
*Gr.* Granum, a grain; grana, grains.  
*Gtt.* Gutta, a drop; guttæ, drops.  
*[Gum.* Gummi, gum.]  
*Gutt. quibusd.* Guttis quibusdam, with a few drops.



[*Guttat.* Guttatim, by drops.]

*Har. pil. sum. iij.* Harum pilularum sumantur tres, let three of these pills be taken.

[*Haust.* Haustus, a draught.

[*Hb.* Herba, the plant.]

*H. d. or hor. decub.* Horâ decubitûs, at going to bed.

*Hebdom.* Hebdomada, a week.

*Hestern.* Hesternus, of yesterday.

*Hirud.* Hirudo, a leech; hirudines, leeches.

*H. S. or hor. som.* Herâ somni, just before going to sleep; or, on retiring to rest.

*Hor. un. spatio.* Horæ unius spatio, at the end of an hour.

*Hor. interm.* Horis intermediis, at the intermediate hours between what has been ordered at stated times.

[*Inc.* Incide, cut.]

*Ind.* Indies, from day to day, or daily.

*In pulm.* In pulmento, in gruel.

*Inf.* Infusum, infusion.

*Inj. enem.* Injiciatur enema, let a clyster be given.

*Inject.* Injectio, an injection.

[*Jul.* Julepus, a julep.]

*Lat. dol.* Lateri dolenti, to the side affected.

*lb.* Libra, a pound weight, or wine pint: when preceded by Arabic figures, avoirdupois weight is meant; but when succeeded by Roman numerals, troy weight, or pint measures.

[*Lim.* Limones, lemons.

[*Liq.* Liquor, liquor.]

*Lot.* Lotio, lotion.

*M.* Misce, mix; mēsurâ, by measure; manipulus, a handful.

[*Mac.* Macera, macerate.

[*Man.* Manipulus, a handful.]

*Mane pr.* Mane primò, very early in the morning.

[*Mass.* Massa, a mass.]

*Mediet.* Medietas, half.

*Medioc.* Mediocris, middle-sized.

[*Mi. pan.* Mica panis, crumb of bread.]

*Min.* Minimum, the 60th part of a drachm measure.

*Mist.* Mistura, a mixture.

*Mitt.* Mitte, send; mittatur, or mittantur, let there be sent.

*Mitt. sang. ad. ℥xij. salt.* Mittatur sanguis ad uncias duodecim saltem, take away at least 12 ounces of blood.

*Mod. præs.* Modo præscripto, in the manner directed.

*Mor. sol.* More solito, in the usual way.

[*Muc.* Mueilago, mucilage.]

*N.* Nocte, at night.

*Narthec.* Narthecium, a gallipot.

[*No.* Numero, in number.]

*N. M.* Nux moschata, a nutmeg.

*O.* Octarius, a pint.

[*Ol.* Oleum, oil.]

*Ol. lini s. i.* - Oleum lini sine igne, cold-drawn linseed oil.

*Omn. alt. hor.* Omnibus alternis horis, every other hour.

*Omn. hor.* Omni horâ, every hour.

*Omn. bid.* Omni biduo, every two days.

*Omn. bih.* Omni bihorio, every two hours.

*Omn. man.* Omni mane, every morning.

*Omn. noct.* Omni nocte, every night.

*Omn. quadr. hor.* Omni-quadrante horæ, every quarter of an hour.

*O. O. O.* Oleum olivæ optimum, best olive oil.

[*Ov.* Ovum, an egg.

[*Ox.* Oxymel.]

*Oz.* The ounce avoirdupois, or common weight, as distinguished from that prescribed by physicians in their orders.

*P.* Pulvis, powder; pondere, by weight; pilula, pill.

*P. Æ.* Partes æquales, equal parts.

*P. D.* Pharmacopœia Dublinensis.

*P. E.* Pharmacopœia Edinensis.

*P. L.* Pharmacopœia Londinensis.

*P. U. S.* Pharmacopœia of the United States.

*Paracent. abd.* Paracentesis abdominis, tapping.

*Part. aff.* Partem affectam, the part affected.

*Part. dolent.* Partem dolentem, the part in pain.

*Part. vic.* Partitis vicibus, to be given in divided doses, instead of all at once.

*Per. op. emet.* Peractâ operatione emetici, when the operation of the emetic is finished.

*Per salt.* Per saltum, by leaps, *i. e.* from an artery.

[*Pil.* Pilula, a pill; or pilulæ, pills.]

*Plen. riv.* Pleno rivo, in a full stream.

*Post sing. sed. liq.* Post singulas sedes liquidas, after every loose stool.

[*Pot.* Potio, a potion.]

*Ppt. vel prep.* Præparata, prepared.

*P. r. n.* Pro re natâ, according as circumstances may require.

*P. rat. æt.* Pro ratione ætatis, according to the age of the patient.

*Pro pot. com. vel pro pot. ord.* Pro potu communi, or ordinario, for a common drink.

*Prox. luc.* Proximâ luce, the day before.





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V. O. S. Vitello ovi solutus, dissolved in the yolk of an egg.

Vom. urg. Vomitione urgente, when the vomiting begins.

V. S. Venæsectio, bleeding.

Zz. Zingiber, ginger.

[M]. Minimum, a minim.

[Gr. Grana, a grain.]

ʒ. Scrupulum, a scruple, equal to 20 grains troy.

ʒ. Drachma, a drachm, equal to three scruples: or, in liquids, the 8th part of an ounce measure.

ʒ. Uncia, an ounce troy: or, in liquids, the 16th part of a wine pint.

[lb. Libra, a pound.

[ss. Semissis, half.

[j., one; ij., two; iij., three, &c.]

In labelling bottles, boxes, drawers, or pots in a shop, care should be taken that the name of the drug be left predominant, while a single letter is sufficient for denoting the technical terms; as radix, pulvis, pilulæ, compositus, volatilis, &c. Simple powders also speak for themselves to the eye, and surely do not require the addition of pulvis, as is usually done.

P. ipecacuan. c. not Pulvis ipec. comp.

Rhæi radix Pulvis rhæi r.

Th. Andromachi Theriaca Andr.

T. cantharidis Tinct. canth.

Valerianæ r. Valer. radix.

U. Hydrarg. nitr̄. Unguent. hydr. n.

[The following abbreviations employed in botany may be introduced here:

[Cal. Calix.

[Corol. Corolla.

[Ped. Peduncle.

[Per. Pericarp.

[Pet. Petiole.

[Rec. Recepticle.

[Stam. Stamen.

[Stip. Stipule.

[\* signifies that the plant is an annual one.

[♂ signifies that the plant is a biennial one.

[♀ signifies that the plant is a perennial one.]

PRIAPISM. Permanent rigidity and erection of the penis without concupiscence. The term is derived from *Priapus*, as satyriasis from *satyrus*.

PRIMÆ VIÆ. The first passages, viz. the stomach and intestinal tube, as distinguished from the lacteals, or *secundæ viæ*, the second passages.

PRIMINE (*primus*, first). The first or outermost sac of the ovule in plants.

PRIMIPARA (*prima*, first, *pario*, to bring forth). One who is delivered of her first child.

PRIMULIN. A bitter tincture obtained by digesting the roots of the *Primula veris*, or cowslip, in water or spirit.

[PRINOS VERTICILLATUS. Black Alder. An indigenous plant of the natural order Aquifoliaceæ, the bark of which possesses tonic and astringent properties. It has been recommended in intermittent fever, diarrhœa, and gangrene; and is a popular remedy for gangrenous, or ill-conditioned ulcers, and chronic cutaneous eruptions. It is given internally, and applied externally as a wash. It is most generally used in decoction made by boiling ʒij. of the bark in three pints of water to a quart.]

PRISM (*πρίσμα*, from *πρίω*, to saw). A solid glass in the form of a triangle, so termed from its *separating* a ray of light into its constituent parts.

PRISMATIC SPECTRUM. *Solar spectrum*. The variously-coloured appearance presented by a ray of white light, when separated by refraction through a glass prism. This appearance consists of an oblong image, containing seven colours, which are called *simple*, or *homogeneous*, in opposition to *white* light, which is called *compound* or *heterogeneous*.

PROBANG. A long slender piece of whalebone, with a piece of sponge at one end, for examining the œsophagus, or removing any obstruction in it.

PROBE (*probo*, to try). An instrument with which the depth and extent of wounds are *tried*.

PROCESSUS (*procedo*, to issue forth). *Apophysis*. A process, or eminence of a bone. Also a lobe, or portion of the brain.

1. *Processus a cerebello ad testes*. The name of two cords, which pass from the nates and testes of the brain to the cerebellum. They are the *superior peduncles*; the corpora restiformia are the *inferior peduncles*.

2. *Processus cochleariformis*. A small, spoon-like, bony plate, on the anterior wall of the pyramid.

3. *Processus mammillares*. A name formerly given to the olfactory nerves, from their being considered as emunctories, or canals, by which the serum and pituita, separated by the brain, were conveyed away.

4. *Processus vermiformes*. Two worm-like lobes of the cerebellum, connecting the lateral hemispheres superiorly and inferiorly.

5. *Process, azygous*. The rostrum, or ridge, on the median line of the guttural aspect of the sphenoid bone.



6. *Process, digital.* A name given to the extremity of the cornu ammonis, from its bulbous form resembling the point of a finger.

7. *Process of Raw.*— A very elongated slender process, supported anteriorly by the neck of the malleus.

8. *Processes of bones.* See *Os, ossis.*

**PROCIDENTIA** (*pro*, before, and *cado*, to fall). *Prolapsus.* The falling down of a part, as of the anus, uterus, &c.

**PROCTALGIA** (*πρωκτός*, the anus, ἄλγος, pain). Pain or derangement about the anus, without primary inflammation. Dr. Good uses the term *proctica.*

[**PRODROMUS** (*προ*, before, *δρομος*). The period immediately preceding an attack of disease, and in which the precursory symptoms appear.]

**PROFLUVIA** (*profluo*, to flow down). Fluxes; pyrexia, attended with an increased excretion of a matter not naturally bloody; the fifth order of the *Pyrexia* of Cullen's nosology, including the genera catarrhus and dysenteria.

**PROFUNDUS.** Literally, deep, or deep-seated. A designation of one of the flexors of the fingers, from its being situated more deeply than the flexor sublimis.

**PROFUSIO** (*profundo*, to pour forth). A loss of blood; a genus of the order *Apocenos*, or increased secretions, of Cullen's nosology.

**PROGNO'SIS** (*πρόγνωσις*, foreknowledge). Prognostication, or the faculty of foreseeing and predicting what will take place in diseases.

**PROLABIUM** (*pro*, before; *labium*, the lip). The membrane which invests the front part of the lips.

**PROLAPSUS** (*prolabor*, to fall forward), *Procidentia.* The falling down of any part, as of the anus, vagina, uterus, bladder, &c. A genus of the *Ectopia*, or protrusions, of Cullen's nosology.

*Prolapsus iridis.* A hernia-like protrusion of the iris through a wound of the cornea. The tumour, thus formed, is sometimes called *staphyloma iridis*; the protrusion of the whole iris is termed *staphyloma racemosum*; a small prolapsus, *myocephalon* (*μυῖα*, a fly, *κεφαλή*, the head); those of larger size have been named *clavus* (a nail), *helos* (*ἦλος*, a nail), and *melon* (*μήλον*, an apple).

**PROLIFEROUS** (*proles*, offspring, *fero*, to bear). A term applied in botany to a flower which produces another flower from its centre, as in certain roses, &c.

**PROMETHEANS** (*Prometheus*, the fire-stealer). Small glass bulbs, filled

with concentrated sulphuric acid, and surrounded with an inflammable mixture, which it ignites on being pressed, affording an instantaneous light.

**PROMONTORIUM.** A promontory; an eminence of the internal ear, formed by the outer side of the vestibule, and by the corresponding scala of the cochlea.

**PRONATION** (*pronus*, bending downward). The act of turning the palm of the hand downwards, by rotating the radius upon the ulna by means of the pronator muscles.

**PRONATOR TERES** (*pronus*, bending downward). A muscle arising from the inner condyle of the humerus and the coronoid process of the ulna, and inserted into the middle of the radius.

*Pronator quadratus.* A muscle arising from the edge of the ulna, and inserted into the edge of the radius. This, and the preceding muscle, turn the radius and the hand inwards.

**PROOF SPIRIT.** *Spiritus tenuior.* Spirit which, on proof or trial, is found to be of the proper strength. The proof spirit of the pharmacopœia is directed to be of specific gravity 0.930.

**PROPAGO.** A term applied by the older botanists to the branch laid down in the process of *layering.*

**PROPAGULUM.** The term applied by Link to the offset in certain plants. See *Offset.*

**PROPHYLACTIC** (*προδ*, before, *φυλάσσω*, to guard). Any means employed for the preservation of health.

**PROPOLIS** (*προδ*, before, *πόλις*, a city). Bee-bread; a resinous substance collected by bees from the buds of trees, and used by them for lining the cells of a new comb, stopping crevices, &c.

**PROSECTOR** (*pro*, before, *seco*, to cut). One who prepares the subjects for anatomical lectures.

**PROSENCHYMA.** A term applied by Link to that form of parenchyma in plants, in which the cells taper to each end, and overlap each other; the term *parenchyma* being restricted to that form of the tissue, in which the cells have truncated extremities.

**PROSOPALGIA** (*προσῶπον*, the face, ἄλγος, pain). Pain of the face; face ague; neuralgia, or tic douloureux of the face.

**PROSTATE** (*pro*, before, *sto*, to state). *Prostata.* A gland situated before the vesiculæ seminales, and surrounding the commencement of the urethra in the male.

- [1. *Prostatic.* Relating to the prostate.]
2. *Prostatic urethra.* The most dilated



part of the urethra, a little more than an inch in length, situated in the prostate gland.

3. *Prostate concretions.* Calculi of the prostate gland, proved, by Dr. Wollaston, to be phosphate of lime, not distinctly stratified, and tinged by the secretion of the prostate gland.

**PROTEIN** (*πρωτεύω*, to hold the first place). The name given by Mulder to the precipitate obtained by adding acetic acid to a solution of caustic potash, containing fibrin, albumen, or gelatine, animal or vegetable, in solution.

**PROTO-** (*πρῶτος*, the first). This prefix denotes the *lowest* degree in which one body unites with another, as *protoxide*. *Per* denotes the *highest* degree, as *per-oxide*.

**PROTRACTOR** (*protraho*, to draw forward). An instrument for drawing extraneous bodies out of a wound.

**PROTUBERANCE** (*pro*, before, *tuber*, a swelling). An eminence, or projecting part; thus, the pons Varolii is called the *annular protuberance*; the cornua Ammonis are termed by Chaussier *protuberances cylindroides*; &c.

**PROXIMATE CAUSE** (*proximus*, nearest). A term often used to denote the first link in the chain of diseased effects,—the *nearest* cause.

**PROXIMATE PRINCIPLE.** A term applied, in analyzing any body, to the principle which is *nearest* to the natural constitution of the body, and more immediately the object of sense, as distinguished from intermediate or ultimate principles.

*Ultimate principles* are the elements of which proximate principles are composed.

[**PRUNELLA VULGARIS.** Self-heal; Heal-all. A labiate plant, an infusion or decoction of which was formerly used in hemorrhages and diarrhœa, and as a gargle in sore throat.]

**PRUNUS DOMESTICA.** The Plum-tree; a Rosaceous plant, the dried fruit of which is the *prune* of commerce. The part employed in medicine is the pulp of the drupe.

[*Prunus lauro-cerasus.* Cherry laurel. The leaves of this plant contain hydrocyanic acid, and the water distilled from them is sometimes used as a substitute for that medicine.

[*Prunus Virginiana.* Wild-cherry. An indigenous plant, the bark of which possesses the conjoined powers of tonic and sedative. It is a useful remedy in hectic and intermittent fevers, phthisis, some

forms of dyspepsia, &c. It is most generally given either in infusion or syrup; the dose of the former being two or three, and of the latter one fluid ounce.]

**PRURIGO** (*prurio*, to itch). Pruriginous rash; severe itching, affecting the whole, or part, of the skin, with or without an eruption of papulæ.]

*Prurigo formicans* (*formica*, an ant). Formicative prurigo; attended with the sensation as of ants or other insects creeping over and stinging the skin, or of hot needles piercing it.

**PRURITUS** (*prurio*, to itch). Itching; a term synonymous with *prurigo*. The former term, however, simply denotes itching, while the latter is applied to the cutaneous diseases attended by itching.

**PRUSSIAN BLUE.** The sesqui-ferrocyanide of iron. [See *Blue*.]

**PRUSSIAS.** A prussiate; a name now exploded, except in commerce, when it denotes a cyanide: what is termed the *yellow prussiate* of potash, is a ferrocyanide of potassium.

**PRUSSIC ACID.** A designation of *hydrocyanic acid*, from its being an ingredient in Prussian blue.

**PRUSSINE.** *Prussic gas*. The cyanogen of Gay Lussac. See *Cyanogen*.

**PSALTERIUM** (*ψάλλω*, to play upon the harp). *Lyra*. A part of the brain, consisting of lines impressed upon the under surface of the posterior part of the body of the fornix.

**PSELLISMUS** (*ψελλίζω*, (to stammer). Misenunciation; inaccurate articulation; a genus of the *Dyscinesia* of Cullen, comprising the following species:—

1. *Psellismus balbutiens*. Lispings; vicious multiplication of labials.

2. *Psellismus emolliens*. Vicious substitution of soft for harsher letters.

3. *Psellismus lallans*. Lullaby-speech; vicious pronunciation of the letter *l*.

4. *Psellismus ringens*. Rotacismus; vicious pronunciation of the letter *r*.

5. *Psellismus lagostomatum*. Vicious pronunciation occasioned by hare-lip.

6. *Psellismus acheilos*. Vicious pronunciation arising from defect of lip.

7. *Psellismus hæsitans*. Hesitation.

**PSELLISMUS METALLICUS.** The stammering which sometimes attends *tremor mercurialis*.

**PSEUDO-** (*ψευδής*, false). A prefix denoting *spuriousness*; thus, pseudo-membrane signifies false membrane.

[1. *Pseud-arthritis*, (*αρθρον*, a joint). A false joint.]

2. *Pseudo-blepsis* (*βλέπω*, to see). False





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4. *Pterygo-pharyngeus*. A synonym of the *constrictor superior* muscle, from its arising from the pterygoid process of the sphenoid bone.

5. *Pterygo-staphylinus* (σταφυλή, a bunch of grapes). The name of a muscle arising from the pterygoid process of the sphenoid bone, and inserted into the velum palati.

PTILO'SIS (πίλωσις, the moulting of birds). *Madurosis*; *Alopecia*. Loss of the eyelashes, occasioned by chronic inflammation of the eyelids.

PTISAN (πιτσάνη, from πτίσσω, to pound or peel). Barley-broth; a term applied to decoctions of *pearl barley*. Horace speaks of the "ptisanarium oryzæ," or ptisan drink of rice; and Celsus has *cremor ptisanæ*, or the thick juice of barley.

P'TO'SIS (πτῶσις, prolapsus; from πιπτω, to fall). A falling of the upper eyelid, with a partial or complete want of power to elevate it. It is also called *blepharo-ptosis*, *lapsus palpebræ superioris*, &c. It appears to be the same affection as Beer terms *atonia palpebrarum*, or relaxation of the eyelids.

PTYALISM (πτύω, to spit). Salivation; an involuntary flow of saliva; a genus of the *Apoceneses*, or increased secretions, of Cullen's nosology.

PTYALOGOGUES (πτυαλόν, saliva, ἄγω, to induce). Medicines which cause salivation, or a flow of saliva.

PUBERTY (*pubes*, covered with hair). Literally, the appearance of the first downy hair on young people; the hair itself; the vigour of youth, usually at the fourteenth year for the male, and the twelfth for the female. It varies, however, in different climates.

PUBES. Literally, covered with hair; the downy hair of puberty. Hence the term is applied to a person of the age of puberty.

PUBESCENCE (*pubes*, covered with hair). The down of plants, consisting of soft short hairs, which partially cover the cuticle, as in *Geranium molle*. Hence

*Pubescent*, covered with pubescence or hair.

[PUBIO. Relating to the pubes.]

PUBIS OS. The pubic, or share bone; a part of the os innominatum.

[PUCCOON. *Sanguinaria Canadensis*.]

PUDENDUM (*pudor*, shame). *Vulva*. A term applied to the external parts of generation in the female.

PUDIC (*pudeo*, to be ashamed). *Nervus pudendalis superior*. The name of a branch of the sciatic plexus.

PUERPERAL (*puerpera*, a woman re-

cently delivered; from *puer*, a boy, *pario*, to bring forth). Belonging to child-bed, *Puerperal fever*. A term generally considered synonymous with those of puerperal peritonitis, child-bed fever, peritoneal fever, or the epidemic disease of lying-in women.

PUGILLUS (dim. of *pugnis*, a fist). A little handful; the eighth part of a handful; a gripe between the finger and thumb.

PULEX. A species of insect, in which a single impregnation suffices for at least six or seven generations. It is also remarkable, that in the warmer summer months the young of this insect are produced viviparously; and in the cooler autumnal months, oviparously. The same phenomena apply to the *Aphis* (pucceron, or green-plant louse), with the additional fact, that many of its offspring are winged, and many without wings, or distinction of sex; in this respect making an approach to the working-bees, and still more nearly to the working-ants, known, till of late, by the name of neuters.—*Good*.

PULMO, PULMONIS. The lungs; the organs which occupy the sides of the chest.

[PULMONARIA OFFICINALIS. Lungwort. An European plant, of the family Boraginæ, the leaves of which have been used as a pectoral.]

[*Pulmonary*. Belonging to the lungs.] *Pulmonary transpiration*. The aqueous vapour which escapes in expiration.

[*Pulmonic*. Relating to the lungs.]

PULMONIC CIRCULATION. The passage of the blood from the right side of the heart through the pulmonary arteries to the lungs, and back to the left side of the heart through the pulmonary veins. This is also called the *lesser circulation*, in order to distinguish it from the *greater circulation*, or the passage of the blood from the left side of the heart through the arteries of the body, and back again through the veins to the right side of the heart. See *Portal circulation*.

PULPA. Pulp; a piece of meat without bones. The nucleus of the teeth, a bulbous prolongation of their mucous membrane.

PULS, PULTIS. A thick porridge used by the ancients; also water-gruel, panada, &c. From this term are derived *pulmentum* and *pulmentarium*, words of similar meaning; *pultarius*, a pipkin, and *pulticula*, gruel, or panada, used by Celsus.

PULSE (*pulsus*, a stroke). A beating or striking; and, hence, the stroke or beat of an artery.



1. *Pulsus dicrotus* (*dis*, twice; *κροτέω*, to beat). Rebounding pulse; so named from its action conveying the idea of a double pulsation.

2. *Pulse, pulmonic*. A term applied by Dr. Mollison to a phenomenon which occurs in operations of the chest, and consists in the expulsion of a certain quantity of the air in the chest, synchronously with each contraction of the heart, and beat of the pulse.

3. *Pulselessness*. The *Entasia acrotismus* of Dr. Good. Failure or cessation of the pulse, often accompanied with pain in the epigastrium; the perception and the voluntary muscles remaining undisturbed.

**PULSUS CORDIS**. The impulse of the heart, or the shock communicated by the apex of the heart to the walls of the thorax in the neighbourhood of the fifth and sixth ribs. This must not be confounded with the arterial pulse.

*Pulsus venosus*. The regurgitation, or, rather, periodic arrest of the blood in the great venous trunks.

**PULTACEOUS** (*puls*, porridge). A term applied to substances which have the consistence of porridge.

**PULVERULENT** (*pulvis*, powder). Any thing reduced to powder, or covered over with powder.

**PULVINAR**. A pillow, or cushion. Hence *pulvinar seu cervicale lupuli* denotes a pillow of hops, occasionally employed in mania.

**PULVIS**. A powder; a substance reduced to extremely minute particles.

1. *Pulvis aloës cum canellâ*. Sold under the name of *hiera picra*, vulgò, hiccory piccory. [Aloes, finely powdered, lbj.; canella, ℥ij.; mix.]

2. *Pulvis anti-lyssus*. Mead's powder against the bite of a mad dog, consisting of ash-coloured liver-wort in powder, with an equal quantity of black pepper.

3. *Pulvis antimonialis*. Oxidum antimonii cum phosphate calcis. A succedaneum of the celebrated *fever powder of Dr. James*.

[4. *Pulvis aromaticus*. Cinnamon, ginger, of each ℥ij.; cardamom, deprived of the capsules, nutmeg, grated, of each ℥j.; mix. An agreeable carminative; dose, grs. x. to ℥ss.]

5. *Pulvis Cobbii*, or *Tunquinensis*. The famous Tonquin powder, introduced into this country by Mr. Cobb, as a specific in lyssa, and consisting of musk, cinnabar, and arrack.

6. *Pulvis ipecacuanhæ comp.* [*Pulvis ipecacuanhæ et opii*, Ph. U. S. Ipecacu-

anha, in powder, opium, do., of each ℥j.; sulphate of potassa, ℥j. Rub well together. The editor has been in the habit of substituting, in some cases, for the opium in this combination, its equivalent of sulphate or muriate of morphia, and with great advantage.] A valuable sudorific, sold under the name of *Dover's Powder*.

[7. *Pulvis jalapæ compositus*. P. U. S. Jalap, in powder, ℥j.; bitartrate of potassa, do., ℥ij. Mix. Dose, ℥ss. to ℥j.]

**PUMICE**. A light, spongy, vitreous stone, usually found in the neighbourhood of volcanoes. The island of Lipari is chiefly formed of this substance.

**PUNCTUM** (*pungo*, to prick). A point; that which is without extent.

1. *Punctum saliens*. A name given to the first rudiments of the heart, the pulsations of which are perceived through the enveloping mucous organs.

2. *Puncta lachrymalia*. The external commencements of the lachrymal ducts, situated on the lachrymal tubercles near the inner canthi of the eyelids.

**PUNICA GRANATUM**. The Common Pomegranate; a Myrtaceous plant, yielding *granadin* or mannite. See *Balaustine*.

**PUPILLA** (dim. of *pupa*, a puppet). The pupil, or the round aperture in the centre of the iris of the eye.

*Artificial pupil*. A term applied to the opening made by division of the iris; and also to the operation by which a new pupil is formed, when the natural one has become useless from opacity of the transparent cornea. See *Coremorphism*.

**PURGATIVES** (*purgo*, to cleanse). Active cathartics. See *Cathartic*.

**PURIFORM** (*pus*, matter; *forma*, likeness). Resembling pus.

**PURL**. A beverage formed by the infusion of *absinthium*, or common wormwood, in ale.

**PURPLE OF CASSIUS**. [See *Cassius*.]

**PURPURA**. Literally, the purple, or livid disease. Scorbutus, or Scurvy; an eruption of small, distinct, purple specks and patches, attended with languor, general debility, and pains in the limbs. The term *purpura* originally denoted the shell-fish from which the purple dye was produced; hence it was used for the dye itself, and was transferred to the disease from the analogy of colour.

**PURPURATE**. A combination of purpuric acid with a salifiable base.

**PURPURIC ACID**. An acid first described by Dr. Prout, and named by Dr.



Wollaston from its remarkable tendency to form red or purple-coloured salts with alkaline bases. It is obtained from uric or lithic acid.

**PURSINESS** (*pursy*, from *poussif*, French). The colloquial term for obesity in stunted persons.

**PURULENT** (*pus*, matter). Of the nature of pus; attended with pus.

**PUS** ( $\pi\upsilon\omicron\nu$ , matter). The fluid formed by the process of suppuration; a matter consisting of globules larger than those of the blood.

**PUSH**. A common phlegmon, differing from a boil or furunculus, in containing uniform and mature pus; that of the boil always containing a core.

**PUSTULA** (of the matter or nature of pus, from  $\pi\upsilon\omicron\nu$ , pus;  $\upsilon\lambda\eta$ , matter.—*Good*). A pustule; an elevation of the cuticle, with an inflamed base, containing pus. The varieties, as given by Bateman, are phlyzadium, psydracium, achor, and favus.

*Pustule malignant*. A form of mortification, generally believed to originate in horned cattle, and to be communicated from them to man. It is the *charbon* of the French.

**PUTAMEN** (*puto*, to prune or cut). A synonymous term for the *endocarp*, or innermost layer of the pericarp, of osseous fruits.

**PUTREFACTION** (*putris*, putrid; *facio*, to make). The spontaneous decomposition of animal or vegetable matters, attended with fætor; a species of fermentation.

**PUTRID FEVER**. A name given to *typhus*, from its symptoms of putrescence. It has been called *spotted fever*, from its being attended with petechiæ, or flea-bite spots; and by the Spaniards, *tavardillo*, from *tavardo*, a spotted cloak.

**PUTRILAGE**. A term applied to animal matters which are partly decomposed.

[**PYELETIS** ( $\pi\upsilon\epsilon\lambda\omicron\varsigma$ , pelvis). Inflammation of the pelvis and calices of the kidneys.]

**PYINE** ( $\pi\upsilon\omicron\nu$ , pus). A peculiar matter, besides albumen, found by Gueterbock in solution in pus. Vogel doubts whether it is an essential component of pus. The same matter is contained in mucus.

[**PYLORIC**. Relating to the pylorus.]

**PYLORUS** ( $\pi\upsilon\lambda\eta$ , a gate;  $\omega\rho\alpha$ , care). Literally, a *gate-keeper*. The lower and contracted orifice of the stomach, guarding the entrance into the bowels. See *Œsophagus*, or the *porter*.

*Valve of the pylorus*. An incorrect designation of a circular rim placed internally at the narrowest part of the pylorus; it is merely a replication of the coats of the stomach.

**PYRAMID**. A conical bony eminence situated on the posterior wall of the tympanum, immediately behind the fenestra ovalis.

1. *Pyramidalis*. A muscle arising from the pubes, and inserted into the linea alba, near half way between the pubes and umbilicus. It assists the rectus.

2. *Pyramidalis nasi*. A slip of the occipito-frontalis muscle, which goes down over the nasal bones, and is fixed to the compressor nasi.

3. *Emmentia pyramidalis*. A small, hollow, conical eminence, situated behind the fenestra ovalis, and at the lower part of the prominence formed by the aqueduct of Fallopius.

4. The name *pyramidalis* was also given by Winslow, Casserius, and others, to the *levator labii superioris alæque nasi*, from its dividing into two small fasciculi, one of which is implanted into the alæ nasi, while the other goes to the upper lip; it is thus *pyramidal*, with its base downward.

[**PYRECTICA** ( $\pi\upsilon\rho\epsilon\tau\omicron\varsigma$ , fever). Fevers.]

[**PYREN**. A colourless, crystallizable substance, obtained from pitch, by distillation at a high temperature, by M. Laurent.]

**PYRETHRIN**. The active principle of the root of the *Anacyclus Pyrethrum*, or Pellitory of Spain.

**PYRETOLOGY** ( $\pi\upsilon\rho\epsilon\tau\omicron\varsigma$ , fever,  $\lambda\omicron\gamma\omicron\varsigma$ , an account). A description or treatise of fevers.

[**PYRETHRUM** (Ph. U. S.) Pellitory. The root of *Anthemis pyrethrum*.

[**PYREXIÆ** ( $\pi\upsilon\rho$ , fire). Fevers.]

**PYRIFORMIS** (*pyrus*, a pear; *forma*, likeness). Pear-shaped; a muscle arising from the hollow of the sacrum, and inserted into the cavity at the root of the trochanter major: it is also called *pyramidalis*. It moves the thigh.

**PYRMONT WATER**. A celebrated mineral spring at Pymont, a village in the circle of Westphalia, in Germany.

**PYRO-** ( $\pi\upsilon\rho$ , fire). Words compounded with this term denote the presence of fire, heat, fever, &c.

1. *Pyro-acid*. An acid produced by the destructive distillation of an organic acid, as the *pyro-citric*, by decomposition of the citric, &c.

2. *Pyrexia*. Fever. Under the term





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or intensity of electricity, invented by Mr. Henley. The differences of electric intensity are denoted by an index which traverses a quadrant divided into ninety equal parts, called *degrees*.

**QUADRA'TUS.** The name of several muscles, derived from their square, or oblong, form. These are—

1. *Quadratus lumborum*, arising from the crest of the ilium, and inserted into the last rib, and the transverse processes of the first four lumbar vertebræ. It inclines the loins to one side; and when both act, they bend the loins forward.

2. *Quadratus femoris*, arising from the tuber ischii, and inserted into the intertrochanteral line. It moves the thigh backwards.

3. *Quadratus genæ*. A name given to the muscle, otherwise called depressor labii inferioris.

**QUADRI-** (*quatuor*, four). A Latin prefix, denoting the number *four*, and corresponding with the Greek *tetra*, as

in *quadri*-ocular; four-celled; *tetra*-spermous, four-seeded.

**QUADRIGEMINUS.** Four double; a term applied to four tubercles situated on the upper part of the posterior surface of the brain; the two upper tubercles are called the *nates*, the two lower the *testes*.

**QUADRUMANA** (*quatuor*, four, *manus*, a hand). Four-handed; the designation of an order of Mammalia, including the monkey, the lemur, &c., which have a movable thumb on their lower extremities opposed to the fingers; all their extremities are, in fact, instruments of prehension.

**QUADRUPLCI** (*quatuor*, four, *plica*, a fold). A Latin numeral, denoting *four-fold*.

**QUALM.** A Saxon term for a sudden attack of sickness.

**QUANTITY.** Under this article is shown the correspondence between the French and English Weights and Measures, as calculated by Dr. Duncan, jun.

1.—*Measures of Length: the Metre being at 32°, and the Foot at 62°.*

|             |   | English inches. |   |      |      |      |       |      |
|-------------|---|-----------------|---|------|------|------|-------|------|
| Millimetre  | = | .03937          |   |      |      |      |       |      |
| Centimetre  | = | .39371          |   |      |      |      |       |      |
| Decimetre   | = | 3.93710         |   |      |      |      |       |      |
| Metre*      | = | 39.37100        |   |      |      |      |       |      |
| Decametre   | = | 393.71000       | = | Mil. | Fur. | Yds. | Feet. | In.  |
| Hecatometre | = | 3937.10000      | = | 0    | 0    | 10   | 2     | 9.7  |
| Kilometre   | = | 39371.00000     | = | 0    | 0    | 109  | 1     | 1    |
| Myriametre  | = | 393710.00000    | = | 0    | 4    | 213  | 1     | 10.2 |
|             |   |                 |   | 6    | 1    | 156  | 0     | 6    |

2.—*Measures of Capacity.*

|             |   | Cubic inches. |  |  |  |
|-------------|---|---------------|--|--|--|
| Millilitre  | = | .06103        |  |  |  |
| Centilitre  | = | .61028        |  |  |  |
| Decilitre   | = | 6.10280       |  |  |  |
| Litre       | = | 61.02800      |  |  |  |
| Decalitre   | = | 610.28000     |  |  |  |
| Hecatolitre | = | 6102.80000    |  |  |  |
| Kilolitre   | = | 61028.00000   |  |  |  |
| Myrialitre  | = | 610280.00000  |  |  |  |

|  |   | English. |       |           |        |
|--|---|----------|-------|-----------|--------|
|  | = | Tons.    | Hhds. | Wine Gal. | Pints. |
|  | = | 0        | 0     | 0         | 2.1133 |
|  | = | 0        | 0     | 2         | 5.1352 |
|  | = | 0        | 0     | 26.419    |        |
|  | = | 1        | 0     | 12.19     |        |
|  | = | 10       | 1     | 58.9      |        |

3.—*Measures of Weight.*

|              |   | English grains. |    |       |     |              |      |     |     |     |      |
|--------------|---|-----------------|----|-------|-----|--------------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Milligramme  | = | .0154           |    |       |     |              |      |     |     |     |      |
| Centigramme  | = | .1544           |    |       |     |              |      |     |     |     |      |
| Decigramme   | = | 1.5444          |    |       |     |              |      |     |     |     |      |
| Gramme       | = | 15.4440         |    |       |     |              |      |     |     |     |      |
| Decigramme   | = | 154.4402        | [= | Troy. |     | Avoirdupois. |      |     |     |     |      |
| Hecatogramme | = | 1544.4023       | =  | Lb.   | Oz. | Dr.          | Gr.  | Lb. | Oz. | Dr. |      |
| Kilogramme   | = | 15444.0234      | =  | 0     | 0   | 2            | 34.3 | =   | 0   | 0   | 5.65 |
| Myriagramme  | = | 154440.2344     | =  | 0     | 3   | 1            | 43.4 | =   | 0   | 3   | 8.5  |
|              |   |                 |    | 2     | 8   | 1            | 14   | =   | 2   | 3   | 5    |
|              |   |                 |    | 26    | 9   | 4            | 20]  | =   | 22  | 1   | 2    |

\* Decided by Capt. Kater to be 39.37079 inches. (Phil. Trans. 1818, p. 109.)



To these may be added the following English Weights and Measures.

1.—*Troy Weight.* [*Apothecaries Weight.*]

| Pound. | Ounces. | Drachms. | Scruples. | Grains. | Grammes.  |
|--------|---------|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| 1      | = 12    | = 96     | = 288     | = 5760  | = 372.96  |
|        | 1       | = 8      | = 24      | = 480   | = 31.08   |
|        |         | 1        | = 3       | = 60    | = 3.885   |
|        |         |          | 1         | = 20    | = 1.295   |
|        |         |          |           | 1       | = 0.06475 |

2.—*Avoirdupois Weight.*

| Pound. | Ounces. | Drachms. | Grains.    | Grammes. |
|--------|---------|----------|------------|----------|
| 1      | = 16    | = 256    | = 7000     | = 453.25 |
|        | 1       | = 16     | = 437.5    | = 28.328 |
|        |         | 1        | = 27.34375 | = 1.7705 |

3.—*Measures.*

[*Apothecaries or Wine Measure.—Ph. U. S.*]

| Gallons. | Pints. | Ounces. | Drachms. | Cub. inches. | Litres.   |
|----------|--------|---------|----------|--------------|-----------|
| 1        | = 8    | = 128   | = 1024   | = 231        | = 3.78515 |
|          | 1      | = 16    | = 128    | = 28.875     | = 0.47398 |
|          |        | 1       | = 8      | = 1.8047     | = 0.02957 |
|          |        |         | 1        | = 0.2256     | = 0.00396 |

*N. B.*—The English ale gallon contains 282 cubical inches.

[*Imperial Measure.*

Adopted by the London and Edinburgh Colleges.

| Gallon. | Pints. | Fluid ounces. | Fluid drachms. |
|---------|--------|---------------|----------------|
| 1       | = 8    | = 160         | = 1280         |
|         | 1      | = 20          | = 160          |
|         |        | 1             | = 8]           |

**QUARANTINE** (*quarante*, forty). The trial which passengers and goods are obliged to undergo in ships supposed to be infected with some disease. It consists in their being stationed at a distance from the shore for a certain period, perhaps *forty* days.

**QUART** (*quart*, fourth). The fourth part; a quarter; the fourth part, or a quarter, of a gallon.

[**QUARTAN**. Belonging to the fourth].

**QUARTAN AGUE**. A species of intermittent fever, in which the intermission is generally about seventy-two hours, the paroxysm commencing in the afternoon; the usual duration being under nine hours. The varieties, as given by Dr. Good, are—

1. The *double quartan*, in which the paroxysms of the one set occur in the intermissions of the other, evincing a difference of duration or of violence, with an interval on the third day only.

2. The *triple quartan*, consisting of a single quartan with regularly returning paroxysms, while each of the intervening days is marked with a slighter or separate attack.

3. The *duplicate quartan*, consisting of a single quartan, with two paroxysms on

the regular day of attack, the intervals being of ordinary duration.

4. The *triplicate quartan*, consisting of a single quartan, with three paroxysms on the regular day of attack, the intervals being undisturbed, and of ordinary duration.

**QUARTATION** (*quartus*, the fourth). An operation by which the quantity of one substance is made equal to a *fourth* part of the quantity of another: thus, in separating gold from silver, three parts of silver are added to the supposed gold, and they are then fused together, the gold thus becoming at most one fourth of the mass only. They are then *parted* by the action of nitric acid.

**QUARTERN** (*quartus*, fourth). A gill, or a fourth part of a pint.

**QUARTINE** (*quartus*, fourth). The name of the fourth membrane or envelope of the nucleus in plants, as described by Mirbel.

**QUASSIA AMARA**. A Simarubaceous plant, which has been employed in medicine under the name of *Surinam quassia wood*. The name Quassia is that of a black slave, who employed the root as a secret remedy in the case of endemic malignant fevers at Surinam.



1. *Quassia chips*. The commercial name for the intensely bitter wood of a Simarubaceous plant, referred by some to the *Quassia amara*, by others to the *Picræna excelsa*, [Lindley, *Quassia excelsa*, Willd.]

2. *Quassite*. The term applied by Wiggers to the bitter principle of quassia wood.

**QUATERNARY** (*quaternarius*, of the number four). A term applied in chemistry to those compounds which contain four elements, as gum, fibrin, &c. The term is also applied to any arrangement in which the prevailing number is four, as in the floral envelopes of Cruciferous plants, &c.

**QUATERNI, QUATERNATI**. Latin numerals occurring in compound terms, and denoting four together.

**QUEASINESS**. A term of uncertain origin, denoting nausea.

**QUERCITRON**. The bark of the *Quercus tinctoria*, or Dyers' Oak. It yields a yellow colouring matter, called *quercitrin* and *quercitronic acid*.

**QUERCUS**. A genus of plants of the order *Cupuliferæ*, or the Oak tribe.

1. *Quercus pedunculata*. The Common British Oak, every part of which, but especially the liber, possesses an *astringent* property.

2. *Quercus infectoria*. The Gall or Dyers' Oak, which yields the *nutgalls* of commerce.

3. *Quercus tinctoria*. The Black Oak, the bark of which, called *quercitron*, is used by dyers.

[4. *Quercus alba*. White Oak. An indigenous species, the bark of which is officinal in the Ph. U. S., and is considered preferable to that of the preceding species, as an internal remedy.]

5. *Quercus suber*. The Cork Oak, the cortical layers of which constitute the cork of commerce.

6. *Quercus coccifera*. A species of oak infested by an insect belonging to the genus *Coccus*, and yielding the kermes dye, from which scarlet cloths are often prepared.

**[QUICKENING**. The period of pregnancy when the motion of the child first becomes perceptible to the mother; also the peculiar effects which are frequently observed when the uterus quits the pelvis, and rises into the abdominal cavity, viz. fainting, sickness, &c.—*Rigby*. The usual period of quickening is the 18th week after conception.]

**QUICKLIME**. The protoxide of calcium, a compound obtained by exposing

carbonate of lime to a strong red heat, so as to expel its carbonic acid.

**QUICKSILVER** (*quick*, the old Saxon term for *living*, as expressive of mobility.) *Argentum vivum*. Mercury.

**QUINARY** (*quinarius*, of the number five). A term applied to a system in which the prevailing number is five. Thus, in dicotyledonous plants, the floral envelopes in most cases present this number, five sepals, five petals, separate or combined.

**QUINCUNX**. A form of æstivation or veneration, in which there are five leaves, two of which are exterior, two interior, and the fifth covers the interior with one margin, while its other margin is covered by the exterior, as in rose.

**QUINI, QUINATI**. Latin numerals, occurring in compound terms, and denoting five together.

[**QUINIA, QUININA, QUININE**. See *Cinchona*.]

**QUININE**. An alkaloid found in the bark of several species of *Cinchona*. See *Cinchona*.

**QUINQUE**. A Latin numeral denoting the number five, and corresponding with the Greek *pente*, as *quinque-fid*, *pent-andria*, &c.

**QUINQUINO**. The *Myrospermum peruiferum*, an Amyridaceous plant, which yields the balsam of Peru.

**QUINSY** (*squinsy*, or *squinancy*, of the old writers; a term derived from the Greek root *cynanche*, through the intermediate corruption of the French word *esquinancie*). Paristhmitis; throat affection, or sore throat.

**QUINTAN**. A form of intermittent which recurs every fourth day.

**QUINTESSENCE** (*quinta essentia*, a fifth being). A term denoting, in alchemical language, the fifth and last, or highest essence of any natural body. It is now applied to any extract which contains all the virtues of a substance in a small quantity; to the most volatile part of a substance, as being considered the most valuable; and sometimes to alcohol, when it contains some pharmaceutic agent.

**QUINTINE** (*quintus*, fifth). The name of the fifth membrane or envelope of the nucleus in plants, as described by Mirbel. It is the *vesicula amnios* of Malpighi, the *additional membrane* of Brown, and the *sac of the embryo* of Adolpho Brongniart.

**QUINTUPLICI** (*quinque*, five, *plica*, a fold). A Latin numeral, denoting five-fold.

**QUOTIDIAN AGUE**. A species of





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**RACHIS (IN BOTANY).** That form of floral axis in which several pedicles, or flower-stalks, are developed at short distances from each other, as in Grasses.

**RACK. Arrack.** A spirit obtained, in Batavia, by distillation from fermented infusions of rice, and hence termed *rice spirit*.

[**RADCLIFFE'S ELIXIR.** Aloes socot. ℥vj.; cort. cinnam. et rad. zedoar, āā ℥ss.; rad. rbei ℥j.; coccinel ℥ss.; syrup. rhamni f℥ij.; Spirit tenuior Oj.; Aq. Puræ f℥v.]

**RADIATA** (*radius*, a ray). A designation of animals which are disposed around an axis in a radiated form, as the star-fish.

**RADIATION** (*radius*, a ray). The emission of heat, or of light, from the surface of a heated or of a luminous body, in the form of rays.

[**RADICAL** (*radius*). Relating to the radius.]

**RADICAL** (*radix*, a root). A term applied generally to any substance which is capable of combining with simple bodies. A radical is termed *simple*, when it is itself an elementary body, as chlorine in hydrochloric acid; or *compound*, when, though itself a compound, it acts as a simple body in its modes of combination, as cyanogen in the cyanides. In general terms, a *radical*, simple or compound, forms an *acid* with hydrogen, and a *salt* with a metal. In botany it signifies, arising from the radix, or root, as applied to the leaves of what are called *acaulescent* plants.

**RADICLE** (*radicula*, dim. of *radix*, a root). The rudiment of the descending axis of plants, as it occurs in the embryo. See *Plumule*.

**RADIUS.** The spoke of a wheel; the semi-diameter of a circle. The small bone of the fore-arm; so called from its fancied resemblance to the spoke of a wheel.

[**RADIX.** A root.]

[**RADZYGE.** Radezyge, Radesyge, Thæia, Norwegian Leprosy.]

**RAG TURNSOLE.** Linen impregnated with the blue dye obtained from the juice of *Crozophora tinctoria*.

**RAGWORT.** The common name of the *Senecio jacobæa*, an indigenous Composite plant, recently recommended in gonorrhœa,

**RAIN.** When the temperature of the air is above 32°, or the freezing point, the water separated from the air falls to the earth in the state of *rain*. It is generally thought that the precipitation of water

from the atmosphere, is the effect of the mingling together of currents of warm and of cold air.

1. *Hail* may be considered as consisting of drops of rain, more or less suddenly frozen by exposure to a temperature below 32°.

2. *Frost-smoke* consists of frozen particles of water floating in the atmosphere in the form of crystallized spiculæ. When these occur in large quantities, they agglutinate together into *flakes*, forming *snow*, or the frozen visible vapour of which clouds are composed. *Sleet* is half-melted snow.

3. *Rain Gauge.* An instrument for estimating the amount of rain which falls upon a given surface. See *Pluviometer*.

**RAINBOW WORM.** The *Herpes Iris* of Bateman; a species of tetter, occurring in small circular patches, each of which is composed of concentric rings, of different colours.

**RALE.** A French term, denoting a rhonchus, or rattle. See *Auscultation*.

**RAMENTA** (*rado*, to scrape off). Filings; as of iron, or of tin. In botany, the term denotes the thin, brown, foliaceous scales, which appear on the back of the fronds of ferns, &c.

**RAMIFICATION** (*ramus*, a branch, *fi*, to become). The issuing of a small branch from a large one, as of the minute branches from the larger arteries.

**RAMOSE** (*ramus*, a branch of a tree). Branched; having many ramifications: when only somewhat branched, the term *subramose* is used.

**RAMUS.** A branch of a tree; and, hence, a branch of an artery, as the *ramus anastomoticus magnus*, a branch of the brachial artery. Also, the lower portion of the os pubis, and the anterior portion of the ischium, have each been denominated the *branch* or *ramus* of those divisions of the os innominatum.

**RAMUSCULE** (dim. of *ramus*, a branch). A small branch, as those of the pia mater, which penetrate into the substance of the brain.

**RANCIDITY.** The change which oils undergo by exposure to the air.

**RANINE ARTERY** (*rana*, a frog). That portion of the *lingual artery*, which runs in a serpentine direction along the under surface of the tongue to the tip of that organ.

**RANULA** (dim. of *rana*, a frog). *Grenouille*. Frog-tongue; a tumour under the tongue, arising from an accumulation of saliva and mucus in the ducts of the sub-lingual gland. The term is



derived either from an imaginary resemblance of the swelling to a frog, or from the peculiar croaking noise which the patient makes when affected with it.

**RANUNCULACEÆ.** The Crowfoot tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants with divided leaves, opposite or alternate; calyx of 3-6 sepals; petals 5-15, hypogynous; stamens hypogynous, indefinite in number; fruit distinct, simple carpella, and albuminous seeds.

[*Ranunculus Acris.* Crowfoot. The cormus and herb are rubefacient and epispastic. Other species of *Ranunculus*, as *R. bulbosus*, *R. flammula*, *R. repens*, and *R. sceleratus*, possess similar properties.]

**RAPE OIL.** An oil procured by expression from rape-seed, and used in making ointments, &c.

**RAPHANIA.** An affection supposed to have been produced by eating the seeds of the *Raphanus raphanistrum*, or Wild Charlock; it is attended with spasm of the joints, trembling, &c.

**RAPHÉ** (ράπτω, to sew). Literally, a seam. Hence the term is applied to lines having the appearance of a seam.

1. *Raphé corporis callosi.* A linear depression along the middle of the corpus callosum; between two slightly-elevated longitudinal bands.

2. *Raphé perinei.* An elevated line which runs along the middle of the perineum to the anus.

3. *Raphé, in Botany.* A fasciculus of vessels which connects the base of the ovule with the base of the nucleus, as in the orange.

[**RAPHIANKISTRON** (ραφίον, a needle, αγκίστρον, a hook). An instrument consisting of a needle and hook combined, used for the formation of an artificial pupil.]

**RAPHIDES** (ράπτω, to sew). Small acicular crystals, found within the cells of the parenchyma of plants.

**RAPTUS** (ραπίο, to seize). A forcible seizure. Hence the terms *raptus nervorum*, or cramp; *raptus supinus*, or opisthotonos.

**RAREFACTION** (*rarus* thin, *facio*, to make). The act of making a substance less dense; also the state of this diminished density. The term is generally applied to elastic fluids, which expand by means of heat, and thence become thinner or more rarefied.

**RASHES.** Patches of superficial redness of the skin. See *Exanthemata*.

**RASPATORY** (*rado*, to scrape). An instrument for scraping diseased bones.

**RASU'RA** (*rado*, to scrape off). A rasure, or scratch. The raspings or shavings of any substance.

**RATANHY ROOT.** The root of the *Krameria triandra*, a Peruvian plant, [much used as an astringent.]

**RAUCE'DO** (*raucus*, hoarse). *Raucitas.* Hoarseness; huskiness of voice.

[**RATTLE.** Râle, rhoncus.]

**RAY** (*radius*, a shoot or rod). The smallest form in which light and caloric are emitted from bodies. Rays are distinguished into—

1. *Calorific rays*, which excite heat; the highest degree of caloric being indicated in the red ray of the prismatic spectrum.

2. *Luminous rays*, which impart light; the highest degree of illumination being confined to the brightest yellow or palest green of the prismatic spectrum.

3. *Chemical rays*, which cause neither heat nor light, but produce powerful chemical changes, as that of darkening the white chloride of silver: these are also termed *de-oxidizing* or *hydrogenating rays*, from their characteristic effect in withdrawing oxygen from water and other oxides. The greatest chemical action is found to be exerted just beyond the violet ray of the prismatic spectrum.

**REACTION** (*re*, again, *ago*, to act). A modification of the organic property of the animal system, a vital phenomenon, arising from the application of an external influence; the influence producing it is called *irritation*, and the cause of the irritation is termed the *stimulus* or *irritant*.

**REAGENT** (*re*, again, *ago*, to act). A substance employed in chemical analysis, for ascertaining the quantity or quality of the component parts of bodies, by *re-acting* upon their elements. It is synonymous with *test*.

**REALGAR.** The proto-sulphuret of arsenic. See *Arsenicum*.

**RECEIVER.** A vessel fitted to the neck of a retort, alembic, &c., for the purpose of receiving the products of distillation. It is either plain, tubulated, or quilled. It is also called *refrigeratory*, from its cooling the contents.

**RECEPTACLE.** A term applied, in botany, to the dilated and depressed axis of the Capitulum, constituting the seat of the artichoke, &c.

**RECEPTACULUM CHYLI.** *Cisterna chyli*, or *Reservoir of Pecquet*. The receptacle of the chyle, an enlargement of the thoracic duct, near the aortic aperture of the diaphragm.



[RECIPE. Take.]

**RECLINATION.** A term employed in Germany, to denote the operation of turning a cataract, so as to change the position of its anterior and posterior surfaces. [The lens is so displaced that its anterior surface looks upwards and its posterior surface downwards.]

**RECTIFICATION.** The repeating a distillation or sublimation several times, in order to render the substance purer and finer.

**RECTOR SPIRITUS.** The aromatic principle of plants.

[RECREMENTITIAL HUMOURS. Those which after having been separated from the blood by secretory organs, are absorbed and again introduced into the circulation, as the saliva, bile, &c.]

**RECTUM** (*rectus*, straight). The straight gut, the last of the intestines, extending from the last lumbar vertebra to the anus. The name is taken from the old anatomists, whose descriptions were derived from examination of brutes. It has been called *curvum*!

[RECRUDESCENCE (*re*, again, *crudus*, raw). Aggravation of the symptoms of a disease after a sensible abatement of them.]

**RECTUS** (*straight*). The name of several muscles; viz.

1. *Rectus superior*, arising from the upper part of the optic foramen, and inserted into the superior and fore part of the sclerotica. It is also named *attollens*, or *levator oculi*, from its office of raising the eye; and *superbus*, as giving an expression of pride. Its antagonist is the—

2. *Rectus inferior*, arising from the lower part of the optic foramen, and inserted opposite to the preceding muscle. It is also named *deprimens oculi*, from its drawing the eye downwards; and *humilis* as giving an expression of modesty.

3. *Rectus Internus*, arising from the margin of the optic foramen, and inserted into the inner side of the eye. It is also named *adducens*, from its drawing the eye towards the nose; and *bibitorius*, from its directing the eye to the cup. Its antagonist is the—

4. *Rectus externus*, arising from the margin of the optic foramen, and inserted into the outer side of the eye. It is also named *abductor oculi*, from its turning the eye outwards; and *indignabundus*, as giving an expression of scorn.

5. *Rectus capitis*, the name of five mus-

cles, and inserted into the occipital bone. These are—

The *R. capitis anticus major*.

The *R. capitis anticus minor*.

The *R. capitis lateralis*.

The *R. capitis posticus major*.

The *R. capitis posticus minor*.

6. *Rectus abdominis*, arising from the pubes, and inserted into the three inferior true ribs, and the ensiform cartilage. It pulls down the ribs in respiration, &c.

7. *Rectus femoris*, arising by two heads, from the ileum and acetabulum, and inserted into the patella; it is sometimes called *rectus cruris*. It extends the legs &c.

**RECURRENT** (*recurro*, to run back). The designation of a branch of the posterior tibial artery; and of the inferior laryngeal nerves,—a portion of the par vagum.

**REDDLE**, or **RED CHALK**. A kind of clay iron-stone.

**RED FIRE**. A pyrotechnical compound of nitrate of strontia, sulphur, antimony, and chlorate of potash; which burns with a red flame. It is liable to explode spontaneously.

**RED GUM**. Dr. Willan says that this is a corruption of the term *Red gown*, its variegated plots of red upon a pale ground being supposed to resemble a piece of red printed linen. See *Strophulus*.

**RED LEAD**. See *Minium*.

**RED PRECIPITATE**. The red oxide of mercury. See *Mercury*.

**RED SANDERS**. See *Pterocarpus Santalinus*.

**REDUCTION** (*reduco*, to bring back). A chemical process, also called *revivification*, by which a substance is reduced, or restored, to its natural state; generally applied to the restoration of metallic oxides to the metallic state. Also, a surgical operation, by which a dislocated bone is restored to its proper situation.

**REFINED LIQUORICE**. This is made by gently evaporating a solution of the pure extract of liquorice with half its weight of gum arabic, rolling the mass, and cutting it in lengths, and then polishing them together in a box.

**REFINING**. The act of purifying any thing; particularly the assaying or purifying gold and silver, by separating them from other bodies which are combined with them.

**REFRACTION** (*refractus*, broken back). That property of light, by which a ray becomes bent, or *refracted*, when





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small bodies placed above the kidneys, and embracing their upper extremity; they are hollow and oval in the adult, prismatic and granulated in the foetus. See *Succenturiatus*.

[*Renal*. Relating to the kidney.]

**RENCULUS** (dim. of *ren*, the kidney). The name of each distinct lobe of the kidney, in the embryo of the mammalia, and of the human subject.

[**RENIFORM** (*ren*, a kidney, *forma*, likeness). Kidney-shaped.]

**RENNET**. A fluid made by infusing the *rennet bag*, or inner coat of a calf's stomach in hot water.

*Rennet whey*. Serum lactis. Milk 2 pints, rennet half an ounce, infused in a little hot water; mix, and keep in a gentle heat for some hours, then strain.

**REPELLENT** (*repello*, to drive back). An application which causes a disease to recede from the surface of the body.

**REPLICATE**. A form of vernation, or æstivation, in which the upper part of the leaf is curved back and applied to the lower, as in aconite.

**REPLUM**. A leaf of a door. A term applied, in botany, to the frame-work formed by the separation of the two sutures of a legume from the valves, as in *carmichaelia*.

**REPRODUCTION** (*reproduco*, to produce again). Generation, or the continuation of the species.

**REPTILIA** (*repo*, to creep). The third class of the *Encephalata*, or Vertebrata, consisting of reptiles, most of which are terrestrial. [It is divided into the following orders.]

1. *Chelonia* (χέλυς, a tortoise). The tortoise tribe; the turtle, &c.

2. *Sauria* (σαῦρα, a lizard). The lizard tribe; the crocodile, &c.

3. *Ophidia* (ὄφις, a serpent). The serpent tribe; the boa, viper, &c.

4. *Batrachia* (βάτραχος, a frog). The frog tribe; the salamander, &c.

**REPULSION** (*repello*, to repel). That effect of caloric, by which the particles of a body, into which it enters, are removed from each other. It is the antagonist of *attraction*.

[**RESECTION** (*reseo*, to cut out). The cutting away of a portion of bone, either of an articular extremity of a bone, of the ends of a fractured bone, of the bony parts contiguous to an articulation, or of a part from the continuity of a bone.]

**RESEDA LUTEOLA**. Dyer's Weed, Yellow Weed, Weld, or Wold; a European plant, employed to give a fine, permanent yellow colour to cottons, silks,

and woollens, in a variety of shades, by the aid of alum, &c.

**RESINA**. Rosin, or common rosin; the residue of the process for obtaining oil of turpentine. When the product contains a little water, it is opaque, and termed *yellow rosin*; when the water is expelled, it becomes *transparent rosin*; at a still higher degree of distillation, it becomes *brown* or *black rosin*, or *colophony*.

1. *Flockton's patent rosin*. A pale yellow product, formed by the solidification of melted rosin in cold water.

2. *Rosin oil and rosin gas*. A volatile oil (Luscombe's), and an inflammable gas (Daniell's), produced by the decomposition of rosin.

3. *Alpha-resin; beta-resin*. The two constituent resins of colophony, or resin of turpentine, respectively called *pinic acid*, and *sylvic acid*.

**RESIN OF COPPER**. The name given by Mr. Boyle to the proto-chloride of copper, from its resemblance to common resin.

**RESOLUTION** (*resolvo*, to relax). The subsidence of inflammation without abscess, ulceration, mortification, &c. Also, the dispersion of swellings, inductions, &c.

**RESOLVENT** (*resolvo*, to loosen). A substance employed to discuss inflammatory and other tumours.

[**RESONANCE** (*re*, again, *sono*, to sound). A return of sound. The transmission of the voice through the stethoscope to the ear. The modifications of natural resonance which arise in disease are classed by Dr. Walshe as follows:

[*Diminished in intensity*—1. Weak resonance. 2. Suppressed resonance.

[*Increased in intensity*—3. Exaggerated resonance. 4. Bronchophony.

[*Increased in intensity, and altered in special character*—5. Ægophony. 6. Pectoriloquy. 7. Amphoric resonance. See *Auscultation*.]

[**RESPIRABLE**. That which may be respired without injury.]

**RESPIRATION**. The function of breathing. It consists of two acts, viz.:

1. *Inspiration*, which generally takes place, according to Sir H. Davy, about twenty-six times in a minute, thirteen cubic inches of air being the quantity usually inspired at each time.

2. *Expiration*, which takes place alternately with the preceding act; the quantity of air usually respired being the same as that which is inspired.

**RESPIRATORY NERVES**. A series



of nerves proceeding from a narrow white fasciculus, situated between the corpus olivare and the corpus restiforme in the medulla oblongata, supposed by Bell to be analogous in their functions.

**RESPIRATORY TRACT.** A narrow white band situated behind the corpus olivare, and descending along the side of the medulla oblongata at the bottom of the lateral sulcus.—*Bell.*

[**RESPIRATORY MURMUR.** The sound heard by auscultation during inspiration and expiration; in a healthy adult.]

**RESUSCITATION** (*resuscito*, to rouse again). The act of reviving, or recovering life. See *Revivification*.

**RESTIFORM** (*restis*, a cord, *forma*, likeness). A term applied to two cord-like processes of the medulla oblongata. See *Corpus*.

**RETCHING.** *Vomituritio*. An ineffectual effort to vomit.

**RETE.** A net; a vascular net-work, or plexus of vessels.

1. *Rete Malpighii*. The fine net-work of the extremities of the pulmonary arteries.

2. *Rete mirabile*. A net-work of blood-vessels in the basis of the brain of quadrupeds.

3. *Rete mucosum*. A soft layer situated between the cuticle and the cutis, containing the colouring particles of the skin. It is neither a *net-work*, nor is it *mucous*.

4. *Rete testis*. A net-work of minute tubes, formed by the *vasa recta*, and running upwards into the substance of the mediastinum.

5. *Rete vasculosum*, or plexus retiformis. Names sometimes given to the corpus cavernosum vaginæ.

[**RETENTION** (*retineo*, to keep back). The keeping back of any thing which should be expelled; the accumulation of an excretion or secretion in a canal intended for its passage, or in a cavity which should retain it only for a short time.

[*Retention of urine.* The accumulation of urine in the bladder.

[*Retention of the menses.* The accumulation of the menstrual fluid in the uterus. This may result from imperforate hymen, &c.]

[**RETICULATE.** *Reticular*. Resembling a net; netted: applied, in botany, to the veneration of the leaves of exogenous plants.]

**RETICULUM** (dim. of *rete*, a net). A little net; the second stomach of the Ruminantia. See *Omasum*.

**RETIFORMIS** (*rete*, a net, *forma*, likeness). Net-like; a name given by *De Graaf* to the erectile spongy tissue of the vagina.

**RETINA** (*rete*, a net). The net-like expansion of the optic nerve on the inner surface of the eye. It consists of three layers; the *external*, or Jacob's membrane; the *middle*, or nervous; and the *internal*, or vascular membrane.

**RETINACULUM** (*retineo*, to hold back). Any thing by which another is held back. An instrument employed in amputation, and consisting of a compress, and a concave plate, which are made to press upon the stump by means of two straps, which cross each other, and are attached to a broad leathern strap surrounding the thigh.

The term *retinacula* is applied to some granular bands by means of which the ovulum is attached to the parietes of the Graafian vesicle.

**RETINAPHTHA.** A compound of carbon and hydrogen, formed by dropping resin into a cylinder heated to a cherry-red.

**RETINASPALTUM.** A substance consisting partly of bitumen, and partly of resin, found associated with the brown coal of Bovey, in Devonshire.

**RETORT.** A globular vessel of glass, &c., with a long neck bended on one side, and used for distillation. Some retorts have another neck or opening at their upper part, through which they may be charged, and the opening afterwards closed with a stopper: those are called *tubulated retorts*.

**RETRACTOR** (*retraho*, to draw back). A piece of linen employed in amputation for drawing the divided muscles upward, and thus keeping every part of the wound out of the way of the saw.

**RETRAHENS AURIS** (*retraho*, to draw back). A name given to the posterior auris muscle, from its action of drawing back the ear.

[**RETROCEDENT** (*retro*, backwards, *cedo*, to go). When a disease which has no fixed seat, after having been some time in its more common situation, leaves it and seizes upon another, it is termed retrocedent.

[**RETROCESSION** (*retro*, backwards, *cedo*, to go). The translation of a disease from the surface to the interior of the body.]

**RETROVERSIO UTERI** (*retrò*, backward, *verto*, to turn). A morbid inclination of the uterus backward.

**REVERBERATORY** (*reverbero*, to



beat back again). A term applied to that kind of furnace, in which the flame is driven back, or prevented from rising.

**REVERIE.** Inactivity of the attention to the impression of surrounding objects. Dr. Good describes three kinds of this mental aberration, viz.—

1. *Absence of mind*, in which the attention is truant, and does not yield readily to the dictates of the will.

2. *Abstraction of mind*, in which the attention is riveted, at the instigation of the will itself, to some particular theme, unconnected with surrounding objects.

3. *Brown Study*, in which the attention has the consent of the will to relax itself, and give play to whatever trains of ideas are uppermost. It is the *studium inane* of Darwin.

**REVIVIFICATION** (*revivisco*, to recover life). The recovery of life; a phenomenon occurring in some animalcules, as the *rotifer redivivus*, which lives in water, but, after remaining for years in a dry state, with all its vital functions suspended, *revives* in a few minutes on being placed in water.

**REVOLUTE.** A form of vernation or æstivation, in which the edges of the leaf are rolled backwards spirally on each side, as in rosemary.

**REVULSION** (*revello*, to pull away). The occurrence of a secondary disease in a part remote from the seat of the primary affection. Revulsion is, in fact, *derivation* at a distant part.

**REYNOLDS' SPECIFIC.** A nostrum for gout and rheumatism, consisting of the fresh bulb of colchicum, ℥viiij.; and sherry wine, ℥xvj.; macerate for 8 or 10 days in a gentle heat; colour it with syrup of poppies, and flavour it with rum. Reynolds is said to have killed himself by taking an over dose of it.

**RHABARBERIC ACID.** An acid supposed by Brandes to be the active principle of rhubarb. Dulk refers the active principle to *rhein*, which, by oxidation, becomes *rhabarberic acid*.

[**RHAGADES** (*ρῥαγας*, a fissure). Chaps, clefts or fissures; long narrow ulcers, most commonly situated in the folds of the skin around the anus, and also sometimes occurring between the fingers and toes, in the folds of the skin of the genital organs, and rarely on the lips, mammæ, &c. Generally they have a syphilitic origin.]

**RHAMNACEÆ.** The Buckthorn tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* axillary or terminal, polypetalous; *petals*

cucullate; *stamens* perigynous; *ovarium* superior; *seeds* albuminous.

1. *Rhamnus catharticus*. Common Buckthorn; an indigenous plant, the berries of which, as well as their expressed juice, are powerful hydragogue cathartics. The juice, evaporated to dryness with lime, constitutes the pigment called *sap-green*, or the *vert de vessie* of the French.

2. *Rhamnine*. A crystalline matter, extracted from the marc of the buckthorn berries, and existing also in the juice of the berries.

**RHAPONTICIN.** A yellow, crystallizable, tasteless substance, procured from the root of European rhubarb.

**RHEIN.** A substance procured by heating powdered rhubarb with nitric acid, evaporating to the consistence of a syrup, and diluting with cold water.

**RHEUM.** A genus of plants of the order *Polygonaceæ*, from which the *rheiradix*, or rhubarb of commerce, is procured, but the species is not ascertained.

1. *Rheum palmatum*. Leaves roundish-cordate, half *palmate*. Cultivated in England for the *culinary rhubarb* leaf-stalks.

2. *Rheum undulatum*. Leaves oval, obtuse, extremely wavy. Cultivated in France, and yields part of the *French rhubarb*.

3. *Rheum compactum*. Leaves heart-shaped, obtuse, very wavy, of a *thick texture*. Cultivated in France, and yields part of the *French rhubarb*.

**RHEUMA** (*ῥέω*, to flow). A defluxion; a flowing down of humours. The term signifies—

1. A morbid *Rheum*, a term formerly synonymous with *gutta*: thus cataract was called the *obscure rheum*, or *gutta*; amaurosis, the transparent, or *serene rheum*, or *gutta*.

2. A *Cold*, or febrile defluxion of the chest. The old pathologists distinguished Rheuma into three species: that of the chest, *catarrhus*; that of the fauces, *bronchus*; and that of the nostrils, *coryza*.

**RHEUMATISM** (*ῥευμα*, a fluxion, from *ῥέω*, to flow). Pain and inflammation about the joints and surrounding muscles. The varieties are—

1. *Articular rheumatism*, occurring in the joints and muscles of the extremities:

2. *Lumbago*, occurring in the loins, and mostly shooting upwards.

3. *Sciatica*, occurring in the hip-joint, with emaciation of the nates.

4. *Spurious pleurisy*, occurring in the muscles of the diaphragm, often producing pleurisy of the diaphragm.





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yields the *ricinic*, the *elaiodic*, and the *margaritic* acids.

**RICKETS.** See *Rachitis*. Dr. Good thinks it probable that the English word is derived from the Saxon *ricg* or *rick*, a heap or hump, particularly as applied to the *back*, which also it denotes in a second sense: hence *ricked*, or *ricket*, means "hump-backed;" hence we also derive *hay-rick*, "a heap of hay;" and not, as Dr. Johnson has given it, from "reek," to smoke.

**RIGA BALSAM.** Baume de Carpathes, from the shoots of the *Pinus Cembra*, previously bruised, and macerated for a month in water. The same fir yields also the Briançon turpentine.

**RIGOR** (*rigeo*, to be stiff). Rigidity; a coldness, attended by shivering.

**RIMA.** A fissure, a crack, or cleft; a narrow longitudinal opening.

*Rima glottidis.* The fissure of the glottis, or the longitudinal aperture through which the air passes into and from the lungs. It is bounded laterally by the *chordæ vocales*.

**RING, FEMORAL.** An opening bounded in front by Poupart's ligament, behind by the pubes, on the outer side by the femoral vein, on the inner by Gimbernat's ligament.

1. *External abdominal ring.* A triangular opening above the crest of the pubes, formed by separation of the fibres of the aponeurosis of the obliquus externus.

2. *Internal abdominal ring.* An oblique opening in the fascia transversalis, about half an inch above Poupart's ligament.

**RINGENT** (*ringo*, to grin). A term applied in botany to certain corollas, the petals of which cohere into the form of a mouth, which *gapes* on pressing the sides, as in Antirrhinum.

**RINGWORM.** The vulgar designation of the *Herpes circinatus* of Bateman. It appears in small circular patches, in which the vesicles arise only round the circumference.

*Ringworm of the scalp.* Scalled Head; or the *Porrigo scutulata* of Bateman. It appears in distinct and even distant patches, of an irregularly circular figure, upon the scalp, forehead, and neck. The former is the *vesicular*, the latter the *pustular*. ringworm.

**RISORIOUS** (*risus*, laughter). The laughing muscle of Santorini; a thin muscular plane, which arises before the parotid gland, and proceeds towards the angle of the mouth.

**RISUS SARDONICUS.** A species of

convulsive laughter, sometimes closely resembling the smile and laughter of health, especially in infants, but often more violent.

**ROASTING.** A chemical process, by which mineral substances are divided, some of their principles being volatilized, and others changed, so as to prepare them for further operations.

**ROB** (*rob*, dense, Arab.). An old term for an inspissated juice.

*Rob anti-syphilitique*, par M. Laffecteur, Medecin Chimiste. The principal ingredient is corrosive sublimate. A strong decoction of the *arundo phragmatis*, or bulrush, is made, with the addition of sarsaparilla and aniseeds towards the end, which is evaporated and made into a rob or syrup, to which the sublimate is added.

**ROBORANT** (*roboro*, to strengthen). A medicine which strengthens.

**ROCELLA TINCTORIA.** Dyers' Orchil; a lichen which yields the colouring matter, called *orchil* or *archil*, and, according to Dr. Kane, the various substances named erythryline, erythrine, amarythrine, telerythrine, and rocelline. *Litmus*, formerly referred to this plant, is now said to be probably the produce of *Lecanora tartarea*.

**ROCHE ALUM.** *Rock Alum.* [See *Alumen rupeum*.]

**ROCHE'S EMBROCATION FOR HOOPING-COUGH.** Olive oil mixed with about half its quantity of the oils of cloves and amber.

**ROCHE LIME.** Quick-lime: the designation of limestone after it has been burned and its properties changed.

**ROCHELLE SALT.** *Sel de Seignette.* Tartrate of potash and soda.

**ROCK SALT.** *Sal-gem.* The name given to beds of salt found at Northwich in Cheshire, in Spain, Poland, &c.

**RODENTIA** (*rodo*, to gnaw). Glires, or gnawing animals, as the beaver, the hamster, the rat, &c.

**ROLLER.** A long, broad ligature, used in surgery for keeping the parts of the body in their places.

**ROSACEÆ.** The Rose tribe of dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants and shrubs with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* polypetalous; *stamens* perigynous; *ovaria* superior, solitary, or several, *fruit* 1-seeded nuts, or acini, or follicles containing several seeds.

1. *Rosa canina.* Common Dog-rose, the fruit of which constitutes the *hip* or *hep*, employed for the conserve.

2. *Rosa Gallica.* French or Red Rose,



the dried petals of which constitute the *red rose-leaves* of the shops.

3. *Rosa centifolia*. The Hundred-leaved or Cabbage-Rose, the petals of which are the Provins or Cabbage-rose leaves of the shops. This rose is used for the distillation of *rose-water*, and for preparing the English *attar of roses*.

ROSACIC ACID. The name given by Proust to a peculiar acid, supposed to exist in the *lateritious sediment* deposited from the urine in some stages of fever.

ROSALIA (*rosa*, a rose). The ancient and classical term for the modern and unclassical term *Scarlatina*, or Scarlet Fever.

ROS CALABRINUS. Dew of Calabria; a designation of the officinal manna.

ROSE CAMPHOR. A solid oil of roses, one of the two volatile oils composing *attar of roses*; the other is a liquid oil. The former is a stearopten, the latter an elaopten.

ROSEMARY. The *Rosmarinus officinalis*, a Labiate plant, used in the manufacture of Hungary water. The flowers are termed *anthos*, from *ἄνθος*, a flower, signifying that they are the *flowers* par excellence; just as we call cinchona *the bark*, and the inspissated juice of the poppy opium, or *the juice*.—Pereira.

ROSEOLA (*roseus*, rosy). Rose-Rash; a rose-coloured efflorescence, variously figured, mostly circular and oval, without wheals or papulæ, occasionally fading and reviving; not contagious.

ROSE PINK. A pigment prepared by dyeing chalk or whiting with a decoction of Brazil wood and alum.

ROSIN. A substance obtained from some species of *Pinus*. See *Resina*.

[ROSMARINUS. See *Rosemary*.]

[ROSTRATE (*rostrum*, the beak of a bird). Beaked; in botany, terminating in a long, hard process.]

ROSTRUM. The beak of birds, the snout of beasts. A ridge, also called the *azygous process*, observed on the median line of the guttural or lower aspect of the sphenoid bone.

ROSULATE. Having the leaves or other parts arranged in clusters, like the petals of a double rose, owing to contraction of the internodes of the stem.

ROSY DROP. Carbuncled face; the *Acne rosacea* of Bateman. Shakspeare, describing the physiognomy of a hard drinker, tells us, that "his face is all bubukles, and whelks, and knobs, and

flames of fire!" In Ireland these protuberances are called *grog-blossoms*.

ROTACISMUS. Faulty pronunciation of the letter R; a species of psellismus.

ROTAL ACTION OF AFFINITY. A term applied to the *inductive* action of affinity, as exhibited in the Voltaic circle.

ROTATE. Wheel-shaped; applied, in botany, to a calyx or corolla of which the tube is very short, and the segments spreading, like the radii of a wheel, as in borago.

ROTATION (*rota*, a wheel). The motion of a wheel; the revolving motion of a bone round its axis.

ROTATOR (*rota*, a wheel). The name of a muscle which *wheels* any part round; as the lateral portions of the deltoïdes muscle enable the arm to perform the guards in fencing.

ROTIFERA (*rota*, a wheel, *fero*, to carry). The second class of the *Diplo-neura*, or Helminthoida, consisting of minute, transparent, soft, aquatic animals, with distinct muscular and nervous systems, and having the appearance of revolving wheels, produced by the rapid movement of the cilia placed round the mouth.

ROTULA (dim. of *rota*, a wheel). A little wheel; and hence the knee-pan. Also, a preparation of sugar and a volatile oil, called a lozenge, or a *drop*.

ROUGE. A pigment containing precipitated carthamin intimately mixed with finely divided talc.

ROYAL STITCH. The name of an old operation for the cure of Bubonocèle. It consisted in putting a ligature under the neck of the hernial sac, close to the abdominal ring, and then tying that part of the sac, so as to render it impervious, by the adhesive inflammation thus excited.

RUBE'DO (*rubeo*, to be red). A diffused redness, as that of blushing.

RUBEFACIENT (*rubefacio*, to make red). A substance which, when applied to the skin, induces a redness without blistering.

RUBEOLA (*ruber*, red). Measles; an eruption of crimson stigmata, or dots, grouped in irregular circles, or crescents, occurring for four days, and terminating in minute furfuraceous scales.

RUBIA TINCTORUM. Dyers' Madder, the root of which constitutes the *madder* of commerce.

[RUBIGINOUS. "Of the colour of rust.]

RUBIGO. Mildew in plants; also, the rust of metals.



RUBULA (*rubus*, a blackberry or raspberry). A classical name, used by Dr. Good, instead of the barbarous term *Frambæsia*, or Yaws.

[RUBUS TRIVIALIS. Dewberry.

[*Rubus villosus*. Blackberry. These are indigenous plants, of the natural order Rosaceæ. The root, which is the officinal part, is tonic and very astringent; and a decoction of it is a favourite and useful remedy in diarrhœa.]

RUGA. A wrinkle. Hence the terms *rugose*, wrinkled, and *rugosity*, applied to a wrinkled surface, as the mucous membrane of the stomach.

RUGINE (*ruga*, a wrinkle). An instrument employed for removing the diseased surface of bones.

RUMEX. A genus of Polygonaceous plants, rarely used. *Rumex acetosa* is the common Sorrel, which, from its use as a salad, has been termed *green sauce*. The herb and root of *Rumex hydrolapathum*, or the Great Water Dock, were formerly used under the name of *herba et radix Britannicæ*. [The roots of *Rumex Britannica*, *R. obtusifolius*, and *R. aquaticus* are officinal, the two first in the U. S., and the last in the Dublin Pharmacopœia. Those of *R. patientia*, *R. alpinus*, *R. crispus*, *R. acutus*, and *R. sanguineus*, have also been employed, and possess the same properties as the officinal. The roots of *Rumex* are astringent and somewhat tonic, and are supposed to be also alterative. The roots of *R. aquaticus* and *R. Britannica* are the most astringent. The roots of *R. crispus*, *R. obtusifolius* and *R. alpinus*, unite laxative with their tonic and astringent properties. Dock root is given in powder or decoction, and it is also applied externally in the form of ointment, cataplasm, and decoction, in cutaneous eruptions, ulcerations, &c.]

RUMINANTIA (*rumino*, to chew the cud). Pecora, or animals which chew the cud, as the deer. See *Omasum*.

RUMINATED. A term applied in botany to the albumen in certain cases, in which it is perforated in various directions by dry cellular tissue, as in nutmeg.

RUMINATION. A voluntary regurgitation of food for further mastication; peculiar to the ox, sheep, and other animals having numerous stomachs; it is commonly called *chewing the cud*.

RUNCINATE. Hook-backed; having

its segments pointing downwards, like the teeth of a saw, as the leaf of taraxicum.

RUNNER. A prostrate aerial stem, forming at its extremity roots and a young plant, which itself gives origin to new runners, as in strawberry.

RUPERT'S DROPS (so called from their being first brought to England by Prince Rupert). Glass drops with long and slender tails, which will bear a smart stroke of a hammer; but burst into atoms, with a loud report, if the surface be scratched, or the tip of the tail broken off. They are made by dropping melted glass into cold water, which condenses the outer surface, and imprisons the heated particles while in a state of repulsion.

RUPIA (*ῥύπος*, filth; as indicative of the ill smell and sordid condition of the diseased parts). Properly, *Rhypia*. Sordid Blain; an eruption of flat, distinct vesicles, with the base slightly inflamed; containing a sanious fluid; scabs accumulating, sometimes in a conical form; easily rubbed off, and soon reproduced.

RUPTURE (*rumpo*, to break). A protrusion of some part of the abdominal viscera, but principally of the intestine.

RUPTURING. A mode of dehiscence, in which the pericarp is spontaneously perforated by holes, as in antirrhinum.

RUSPINI'S TINCTURE FOR THE TEETH. Root of the Florentine iris ℥viiij.; cloves ℥j.; rectified spirit Oij.; ambergris ℥j.

RUSPINI'S STYPTIC. Dr. A. T. Thompson says, that he has discovered this to be little more than a solution of *gallic acid* in alcohol, diluted with rose-water. A simple solution of gallic acid, he says, is equally effective.

RUTACEÆ. The Rue tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants, with *leaves* alternate, dotted; *flowers* symmetrical; *petals* alternate with the divisions of the calyx; *stamens* hypogynous; *ovarium* entire, celled; *fruit* capsular.

*Ruta Graveolens*. Common or Garden Rue; a plant formerly extolled as antispasmodic, emmenagogue, and anthelmintic, and still used in the form of *rue tea* in domestic medicine.

RU'TILIN (*rutilus*, quasi *rufulus*, fiery-red). The name given by Braconnot to the product of the decomposition of salicin by sulphuric acid.





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nected with the sacrum; hence we have sacro-iliac symphysis, sacro-spinal ligament, sacro-vertebral angle, &c.

**SAFFLOWER.** *Bastard saffron.* The flowers of the *Cathamus tinctorius*, imported, in flaky masses, for the use of dyers.

**SAFFRON** (*zafaran*, Arabic). A substance consisting of the stigmata and part of the styles of the *Crocus sativus*, or Saffron crocus. See *Polychroite*.

1. *Hay saffron.* *Crocus in fœno.* The stigmata with part of the style, carefully dried. Dr. Pereira says that one grain of good commercial saffron contains the stigmata and styles of nine flowers; hence 4,320 flowers are required to yield an ounce of saffron.

2. *Cake saffron.* *Crocus in placontâ.* Formerly, compressed hay saffron, but the cakes now sold are made of safflower and gum-water.

**SAGAPENUM.** A concrete gum-resin, the produce of an unknown Persian plant, supposed, though without sufficient evidence, to be the *Ferula Persica*. The best kind occurs in tears; a commoner kind occurs in soft masses, and is called *soft sagapenum*.

**SAGITTA'LIS** (*sagitta*, an arrow). The name of the *arrow-like* suture of the cranium. See *Suture*.

**SAGITATE** (*ságitta*, an arrow). Arrow-headed; applied, in botany, to leaves which are pointed at the apex, and gradually enlarge at the base into two acute lobes, as in *sagittaria*.

**SAGO** (*saga*, the Java word for bread). A farina obtained from the medulla or pith of the *Sagus Rumphii*, the Malay or Rumphius's Sago Palm, and other species of palm. In the state of powder it is called *sago meal* or *flour*; it occurs also *granulated*, and this is either *pearl sago*, or common *brown sago*.

**SAL.** A Salt. A definite compound of an acid with an alkaline, or salifiable base. Salts are distinguished by the six following prefixes:

1. *Super*, denoting excess of acid in general, as *super-tartrate* of potash.

2. *Sub*, denoting excess of the base, as *sub-borate* of soda. See *Sub-salt*.

3. *Bi*, denoting two equivalents of acid, as *bi-sulphate* of potash.

4. *Quadr*, denoting four equivalents of acid, as *quadr-oxalate* of potash.

5. *Sesqui*, denoting one equivalent and a half of acid, as *sesqui-carbonate* of ammonia.

6. *Oxy*, denoting the presence of a perfect oxide, as *oxy-muriate*.

7. *Deliquescent salts* are those which attract moisture from the air, and become liquid, as the nitrates of lime and magnesia.

8. *Efflorescent salts* are those which lose a portion of their water of crystallization, and fall into powder, by exposure to the air, as sulphate and phosphate of soda. By a strong heat the whole of the water is expelled, and the salt, if soluble, is dissolved, undergoing what is called *watery fusion*.

9. *Permanent salts* are those which undergo no change on exposure to the air.

10. *Decrepitating salts* are those which burst, when heated, with a crackling noise, into smaller fragments, as the nitrates of baryta and lead.

11. *Neutral salts* are those in which the base is perfectly saturated with the acid. It does not, however, follow that neutrality and saturation accompany each other: an alkali may unite with an acid so as to saturate it, though it still manifests alkaline properties.

12. *Double salts*, formerly called *triple salts*, are composed of one acid and two bases, of two acids and one base, or of two different acids and two different bases.

13. *Native salts* are mineral bodies, resembling precious stones or gems in their external character, and so named to distinguish them from artificial salts.

14. *Sulpho-salts* consist of compounds, both of which contain sulphur.

15. *Haloid salts* are compounds of metals with bodies such as chlorine, iodine, &c., but not containing oxygen and sulphur.

16. *Sub-salts*, or neutral salts, are those in which the excess of oxide does not stand in the relation of base to the acid.

17. *Common salt*, or Bay salt, a muriate of soda, is procured, by evaporation, from sea-water, or from the produce of brine springs.

18. *Essential salts* are procured from the juices of plants by crystallization.

19. *Fixed salts* are prepared by calcining, then boiling the matter in water, straining off the liquor, and evaporating all the moisture, when the salt remains in the form of a powder.

20. *Volatile salts* are procured principally from animal substances, or the fermented parts of plants.

*Sal absinthii.* Salt of wormwood, or the sub-carbonas potassæ.

*Sal Ægyptiacum.* Egyptian salt, or the nitras potassæ.



*Sal alembroth.* A compound muriate of mercury and ammonia.

*Sal alkalinus volatilis.* Volatile alkaline salt, or the sub-carbonas ammoniæ.

*Sal ammoniacum.* Sal ammoniac; so called from its having been once manufactured in Egypt, near the temple of Jupiter Ammon; sometimes contracted into *salmiac*; it is the murias ammoniæ.

*Sal ammoniacum acetatum, or liquidum, or vegetabile.* Acetated, or liquid, or vegetable, salt of ammonia; the liquor ammoniæ acetatis.

*Sal ammoniacum fixum.* Fixed salt of ammonia, or the calcii chloridum.

*Sal ammoniacum martiale.* Martial salt of ammonia, or the ferrum ammoniacum.

*Sal ammoniacum secretum.* Secret salt of ammonia, or the sulphas ammoniæ, so called by its discoverer, Glauber.

*Sal ammoniacum volatile.* Volatile salt of ammonia, or the sub-carbonas ammoniæ.

*Sal Anglicum.* Epsom salt, or the sulphas magnesia.

*Sal antimonii.* Salt of antimony, or the antimonium tartarizatum.

*Sal aquarum vel lucidum.* Salt of water, or the shining salt, or the nitras potassæ.

*Sal argenti.* Salt of silver, lunar caustic, or the nitras argenti.

*Sal auri philosophicum.* The bi-sulphate of potash, or sal enixum.

*Sal catharticus amarus, or Anglicanus.* Bitter, or English, purging salt, Epsom salt, or the sulphas magnesiæ.

*Sal catharticus Glauberi.* Glauber's purging salt, or the sulphas sodæ.

*Sal chalybis.* Salt of iron, or the sulphas ferri.

*Sal commune, or culinare,* common or culinary salt; the murias sodæ, or chloride of sodium.

*Sal cornu cervi volatile.* Volatile salt of hartshorn, or the sub-carbonas ammoniæ.

*Sal de duobus.* The sulphas potassæ, formerly called fixed nitre, sal polychrest, &c.

*Sal digestivus.* Digestive salt, or the murias sodæ.

*Sal digestivus Sylvii.* Digestive salt of Sylvius, or the acetas potassæ

*Sal diureticus.* Diuretic salt, or the acetas potassæ.

*Sal enixum.* The bi-sulphate of potash, or sal auri philosophicum.

*Sal essentielle vini.* Essential salt of wine, or the acetas potassæ.

*Sal fontium, vel fossilis* Fountain, or fossil salt, or the murias sodæ.

*Sal gemmæ, vel marinus.* Rock or sea salt, or the murias sodæ, also called sal fossilis, or fossil salt.

*Sal genistæ.* Salt of broom, obtained by burning the broom plant.

*Sal Glauberi.* Glauber's salt, or the sulphas sodæ.

*Sal herbarum, vel plantarum.* Salt of herbs, or of plants, or the sub-carbonas potassæ.

*Sal martis.* Martial salt, salt of iron, or the sulphas ferri.

*Sal martis muriaticum sublimatum.* Sublimated muriatic salt of iron, or the ferrum ammoniatum.

*Sal mercurii.* Salt of mercury, lunar caustic, or the nitras argenti.

*Sal microcosmicum.* Microcosmic salt, or triple phosphate of soda and ammonia.

*Sal mirabilis Glauberi.* Glauber's salt, or the sulphas sodæ.

*Sal muriaticus.* Muriatic salt, or the murias sodæ.

*Sal perlatum, or mirabile perlatum.* The phosphas sodæ, or tasteless purging salts.

*Sal polychrestus (Glaseri).* Polychrest salt of Glaser, or the sulphas potassæ cum sulphure.

*Sal polychrestus (Seignetti).* Polychrest salt of Seignette, or the soda tartarizata.

*Sal prunella, or crystal mineral.* The nitras potassæ, cast into cakes or round balls, after fusion.

*Sal rupellensis.* Rochelle salt, salt of Seignette, or the soda tartarizata.

*Sal Saturni.* Salt of lead, or the acetas plumbi.

*Sal sedativum Hombergi.* Sedative salt of Homberg, or boracic acid.

*Sal Seidlitzense.* Epsom salt, or the sulphas magnesiæ.

*Sal sodæ.* Salt of soda, or the sub-carbonas sodæ.

*Sal succini.* Salt of amber, or the acidum succinicum.

*Sal tartari.* Salt of tartar; an old appellation for the carbonas potassæ purissimus; but applied to the sub-carbonas potassæ.

*Sal vegetabilis.* Vegetable salt, or the tartras potassæ.

*Sal vitrioli.* Salt of vitriol, or the sulphas zinci.

*Sal volatile.* Volatile salt, or the sub-carbonas ammoniæ.

*Sal volatile salis ammoniaci.* Volatile salt of sal ammoniac, or the sub-carbonas ammoniæ.

*Salt, arsenical neutral, of Macquer.* The super-arsenias potassæ.



*Salt, bay.* The sedil chloridum, as procured by solar evaporation.

*Salt, culinary, or common.* The sodii chloridum, or muriate of soda.

*Salt, febrifuge of Sylvius.* Regenerated sea salt, or the murias potassæ.

*Salt, fusible.* The phosphas ammoniæ.

*Salt, fusible, of urine.* The triple phosphate of soda and ammonia.

*Salt, green.* The name given by the workmen, in the mines of Wieliczka, to the upper stratum of native salt, which is rendered impure by a mixture of clay.

*Salt, marine argillaceous.* The murias aluminæ.

*Salt, nitrous ammoniacal.* The nitras ammoniæ.

*Salt of benzoïn.* Benzoic acid.

*Salt of canal.* The sulphas magnesiæ.

*Salt of colcothar.* The sulphas ferri.

*Salt of lemons, essential.* Salt of sorrel, or the super-oxalæ potassæ.

*Salt of Seidlitz.* Dr. Grew's salt, or the sulphas magnesiæ.

*Salt of tartar.* The carbonas potassæ, formerly fixed nitre, mild vegetable alkali, and subcarbonate of potash.

*Salt of wisdom.* A compound muriate of mercury and ammonia.

*Salt-petre.* Sal petræ. Literally, rock salt; nitre, or the nitras potassæ.

*Salt, sedative.* Boracic acid.

*Salt, spirit of.* Muriatic acid.

*Salt, sulphureous, of Stahl.* The sulphite of potass.

[SALAAM CONVULSION. A peculiar form of convulsion occurring in children, and characterized by repeated bobbing of the head forwards.]

SALACITY (*salax*, salacious). The natural orgasmus of the sexual system.

SALEP. The prepared and dried tubers of several Orchideous plants. *Indigenous salep* is prepared from the *Orchis mascula*, *Orchis latifolia*, &c. *Oriental salep* is the produce of other Orchideæ. The salep of Cachmere is said to be procured from a species of *Eulophia*.

SALICACEÆ (*salix*, the willow). The Willow tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* achlamydeous, amentaceous; *ovarium* superior, 1 or 2-celled; *fruit* coriaceous; *seeds* indefinite, comose.

SALICARIÆ. The Loosestrife tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbs with *leaves* opposite, entire; *flowers* polypetalous; *calyx* tubular; *stamens* perigynous; *carpella* concrete; and a superior ovary with several cells.

SALICIN (*salix*, the willow). A vegetable-alkali found in about fourteen spe-

cies of *Salix*, and eight species of *Populus*.

SALICYL. The hypothetical radical of the salicylous and salicylic acids, &c.

SALIFIABLE BASE (*sal*, a salt, *fi*, to become). A substance which forms definite compounds with an acid, and which, when liquid, or in a state of solution, has an alkaline reaction. The acid, of whatever kind, was denominated by Lavoisier, the *salifying principle*.

SALINE (*sal*, salt). That which contains salt, or is of the nature of salt.

SALIVA (*σίαλος*). The insipid, transparent, viscous liquid, secreted by the salivary glands, principally the parotid, and discharged into the mouth by the duct of Steno.

[SALIVARY CALCULI. Concretions which form in the salivary glands or their excretory ducts.]

SALIVARY GLANDS. The name of three glands, situated on each side of the face behind and beneath the lower jaw, for the purpose of secreting and excreting the saliva. They are the *parotid*, the *sub-maxillary*, and the *sub-lingual* glands.

SALIVATION. *Ptyalism*. Augmented secretion of the mucous follicles of the mouth and salivary glands, accompanied with tenderness and inflammation of these parts.

SALIX. The Willow; a genus of plants, whose barks in many cases possess great bitterness, combined with astringency, and have been employed as substitutes for cinchona.

SALPINGO- (*σάλπιγξ*, *σάλπιγγος*, a tube). A term applied, in combination with others, to the levator palati mollis, in consequence of this muscle arising from the Eustachian tube. See *Staphylinus*.

1. *Salpingo-pharyngeus*. That part of the palato-pharyngeus which arises from the mouth of the Eustachian tube.

2. *Salpingo-staphylinus* (*σταφυλή*, uvula). The name given by some writers to the peristaphylinus internus.

SALSEPARIN. The name given by Thubeuf to *smilacin*, a principle of sarsaparilla.

SALTPETRE. *Sal petræ*. Nitre, or the nitrate of potash. See *Nitre*.

SALVATELLA (*salvo*, to preserve). A vein of the foot, the opening of which was said to preserve health, and to cure melancholy.

SALVE. A popular term for an ointment, cerate, &c.

[SALVIA OFFICINALIS. Sage. A labiate plant, principally used as a con-





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fleshy substance which, in the peach, lies between the epicarp, or skin, and the endocarp, or stone.

[SARCOCOLLA. See *Sarz*.

[*Sarcocollin*. A peculiar substance obtained from sarcocolla.

[SARCOLEMMA (*σὰρξ*, flesh, *λαμμα*, a coat). The delicate tubular sheath which binds together the elements of muscular fibre. It is distinct from the areolar tissue, which binds the fibres into fasciculi.]

SARCOMA (*σὰρξ*, flesh). The name formerly given to all excrescences which had the consistence of flesh.

SARDONIC. A term applied to a convulsive kind of *laughter*, which, according to the ancients, was occasioned by inflammation or wounds of the diaphragm. Virgil has "Sardois amarior herbis;" this Sardinian plant was perhaps a species of *ranunculus*, the juice of which, when drunk, produced madness, together with distortions of the face, so peculiar as to resemble laughter.

SARMENTUM. The name given by Linnæus and others to that modification of the aerial stem called a *runner*.

SARSAPARILLA (*zarzaparilla*, Spanish, from *zarza*, a bramble, and *parilla*, a vine). *Sarza*. The roots of several species of *Smilax*. The following varieties occur in the market:

1. *Jamaica sarsaparilla*. Red-bearded sarsaparilla, perhaps the root of the *Smilax officinalis*. Its bark has a *red* tint, and its roots are furnished with numerous fibrous rootlets called the *beard*. It is imported in bundles of spirally-folded roots, and is hence called *sarsaparilla rotunda*.

2. *Brazilian sarsaparilla*. Lisbon, Portugal, or Rio Negro sarsaparilla, said to be the root of the *Smilax siphilitica*. It is brought over unfolded, with its roots tied in bundles in a parallel direction, and hence called *sarsaparilla longa*.

3. *Lima sarsaparilla*. Formerly brought from Lima, now from Valparaiso; probably the root of the *Smilax officinalis*. It is imported folded.

4. *Honduras sarsaparilla*. Mealy sarsaparilla, so termed from the *mealy* appearance which it presents when broken; probably the root of the *Smilax officinalis*. It is imported folded. [This is the variety most used in the United States.]

5. *Vera Cruz sarsaparilla*. The root of the *Smilax medica*. It is imported unfolded.—*Pereira*.

SARTORIUS (*sartor*, a tailor). The muscle by means of which the tailor

crosses his legs. It arises from the spinous process of the ilium, and is inserted into the inner tubercle of the head of the tibia.

SARX (*σὰρξ*, *σαρκός*). Flesh; the muscular parts of animals.

1. *Sarco-cele* (*κήλη*, a tumour). A fleshy enlargement of the testis, also called *hernia carnosæ*.

2. *Sarco-colla* (*κόλλα*, glue). The concrete juice of the *Peneæ sarcocolla*, a native plant of Africa, so named from its supposed power of agglutinating wounds. [It is said to be purgative.]

3. *Sarco-derm* (*δέρμα*, skin). The name given by some botanists to the parenchyma of fruits.

4. *Sarcoma*. *Sarcosis*. A fleshy tumour.

[SARZA. An officinal synonyme of *Sarsaparilla*.]

SASSAFRAS WOOD. The wood of the *Sassafras officinale*, a tree of the order *Lauraceæ*. The beverage called *saloop* consists of sassafras tea, flavoured with milk and sugar.

*Sassafras nuts*. The seeds of some Lauraceous plant, said to be a species of *Nectandra*.

[*Sassafras medulla*. The pith of the stems of *Laurus Sassafras*. By maceration in water it yields a mucilage which is useful as a soothing collyrium in some inflammations of the eye, and as a drink in irritations of the mucous surfaces, &c.]

[*Sassafras radicis cortex*. Bark of *Sassafras* Root. A mild stimulant, sudorific and alterative. It is generally used in combination with sarsaparilla or guaiacum.]

SASSOLIN. Native boracic acid, found on the edges of hot springs near Sasse, in the territory of Florence.

SATELLITE VEINS. *Venæ comites*. The veins which *accompany* the brachial artery as far as the bend of the cubit.

SATURATION (*saturo*, to satisfy; from *satur*, full). This term is applied in the two following senses, viz.

1. A fluid, which holds in solution as much of any substance as it can dissolve, is said to be *saturated* with it. Thus, water will dissolve about one-third of its weight of common salt, and if more be added it will remain solid.

2. When two principles, which have united to form a new body, are in such proportion that neither predominates, they are said to be *saturated* with each other, or the affinities are said to be satisfied. If otherwise, the predominant principle is said to be sub-saturated, or



under-saturated, and the other super-saturated, or over-saturated.

**SATURNUS.** The ancient designation of lead, from the planet of that name.

**SATYRIASIS** (*satyrus*, a satyr). Lascivious madness. As it occurs in males, it is the *satyriasis furens* of Cullen; as it occurs in females, it is the *nymphomania furibunda* of Sauvages.

[**SAURIA** (*σαῦρα*, a lizard). An order of the class Reptilia, comprising the lizard tribe; the crocodile, &c.]

**SAXONY BLUE.** An intensely deep blue, imparted by dyeing with sulphate of indigo. [See Blue.]

**SCAB** (*scabo*, to scratch). A hard substance, formed by a concretion of the fluid discharged from superficial ulcerations.

[**SCABEUS.** The herb of Erigeron heterophyllum, and H. Philadelphicum.]

**SCABIES** (*scabo*, to scratch). An eruption of minute pimples, occurring chiefly between the fingers, and in the flexures of the joints; terminating in scabs. It is called popularly, in English, *itch*.

**SCABROUS.** Rough; covered with hard, short projections from the cuticle.

**SCALA.** Literally, a ladder, or a flight of stairs. Hence—

*Scala of the cochlea.* The two cavities which result from the presence of the lamina spiralis, or spiral septum of the cochlea. They are, in fact, two halves of a canal, and are separately designated as the *scala tympani* and the *scala vestibuli*.

**SCALE'NUS** (*σκαληνός*, a geometrical figure with three unequal sides). The name of two muscles, the *anticus* and the *posticus*, which bend the head and neck, &c. They arise from the transverse processes of the vertebræ of the neck, and are inserted into the first and second ribs.

**SCALL.** An old English term, derived from the Saxon *scala*, or *sceala*, used much in the same sense as the word *scale*.

*Dry Scall* is the psoriasis of Bateman; *moist or humid scall*, the impetigo of the same writer.

**SCALPEL** (*scalpo*, to scrape). Originally a raspatory, or instrument for scraping diseased bones, &c. The term now signifies a common straight knife, used in surgery.

**SCAMMONIA.** Scammony; a term applied by pharmacologists to purgative resinous substances obtained from plants

of the orders *Convolvulaceæ* and *Asclepiadaceæ*.

1. *Virgin scammony.* Lacryma, or superior Aleppo, scammony, the produce of the *Convolvulus Scammonia*. Scammony of inferior quality occurs in commerce, under the names of *seconds* and *thirds*.

2. *French or Montpellier Scammony.* A substance made, in the south of France, with the expressed juice of *Cynanchum Monspeliacum*, mixed with different resins and other purgative substances.

**SCAPE.** A designation, in botany, of the axis of inflorescence, which, in stemless plants, proceeds immediately from the ground, or near it, as in Cowslip.

**SCAPHA** (*σκαφή*, a skiff, from *σκάπτω*, to hollow). A boat made of a hollowed tree. Hence, the term is applied to—

1. The depression of the outer ear which separates the two roots of the anti-helix.

2. The *nodose bandage*; a double-headed roller, employed for stopping hæmorrhage, or for securing the compress after the performance of arteriotomy in the temples.

**SCAPHOIDES** (*σκαφή*, a skiff; *εἶδος*, likeness). Resembling a scapha, or skiff; the designation of a bone of the carpus, and of the tarsus; and synonymous with the term *navicular*, as applied to the fossa which separates the two roots of the anti-helix.

**SCAPTIN.** A brown, almost tasteless extractive, procured from the *Digitalis purpurea*.

**SCAPULA.** The shoulder-blade. Its upper surface is traversed by the *spine*, or *dorsum scapulæ*, a ridge of bone terminating in the *acromion*, or the point of the shoulder. The flat surface is sometimes called *venter*.

**SCARABÆUS.** The Beetle. The larvæ of this insect, called *beetle-grubs*, constitute a variety of anal worms.

**SCARF-SKIN.** The epidermis, or outermost layer of the skin.

**SCARIFICATION** (*scarifico*, to scarify). The making of small incisions, or punctures, for the purpose of abstracting blood, fluid in anasarca, or air in emphysema.

[**SCARIFICATOR.** An instrument for making scarifications. It usually consists in a number of short lancets arranged on pivots in a metallic box, and so constructed with springs that all the lancets may be made to instantaneously project, and penetrate the skin over which they are applied.]



**SCARIOUS.** Dry, thin, and shrivelled.

**SCARLATINA.** A barbarous term, apparently of British origin, which has superseded the original and more classical name, *Rosalig*, or Scarlet Fever; or it may be from the Italian *scarlatino*, the colour scarlet. It was named by Morton, *morbilli confluentes*; by Hoffmann, *rubæola rossalia*; and by Heberden, *febris rubra*.

**SCELOTYRBE** (σκέλος, the leg, τύρβη, commotion). Literally, leg-commotion. A contracted and palsied state of the limbs; an affection supposed to resemble our sea-scurvy. The *scelotyrbe festinans* of Sauvages is the *shaking palsy* of Mr. Parkinson. Sauvages speaks of chorea under the name of *sclerotyrbe Sancti Viti*.

**SCHEELE'S GREEN.** A green pigment, consisting of the arsenite of copper. See *Arsenicum*.

**SCHEROMA** (ξηρός, dry). A dry inflammation of the eye.

**SCHINDYLE'SIS** (σχινδύλλησις, the act of splitting into small pieces, from σχίζω, to cleave). A form of immovable joint. See *Articulation*.

**SCHNEIDERIAN MEMBRANE.** The *pituitary membrane*, which secretes the mucus of the nose; so named from Schneider, who first described it.

**SCIATICA** (corrupted from *ischias*, derived from ἰσχον, the hip). Hip-gout; inflammation of the aponeurotic parts of the glutæi muscles; [neuralgia of the sciatic nerve.]

**SCIATIC NERVE.** The termination of the sacral or sciatic plexus; it is the largest of all the nerves.

**SCILLA MARITIMA.** The Sea Onion, or Official Squill, a plant of the order *Liliaceæ*. Two kinds of squill occur in commerce, the *white* and the *red*, so called from the colour of the scales of the bulb. Squill was used by the Egyptians under the mystic title of the *eye of Typhon*.

*Scillitin*. The bitter active principle of the bulb of the scilla maritima.

**SCIRRHUS** (σκίρρος, a fragment of marble; a hard tumour). This term was formerly employed to denote every kind of induration which remained after an attack of inflammation; it now denotes the morbid condition which precedes cancer in the ulcerated state.

**SCITAMINEÆ.** The Ginger tribe of monocotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants with a creeping, often-jointed, *rhizome*; leaves simple, sheathing; flow-

ers tripetaloidous; *stamens* 3, distinct; *ovarium* 3-ceiled; *fruit* capsular, 3-celled, many-seeded: *seeds* with or without an arillus.

**SCLERENCEPHALIA** (σκληρός, hard, ἐγκέφαλος, the brain). Induration, or hardening of the brain.

**SCLERIASIS** (σκληρός, hard). *Sclerosis*. A hard tumour, or induration.

**SCLEROGEN** (σκληρός, hard, γεννάω, to produce). The matter of lignification which is deposited on the inner surface of the cells of plants, contributing to their thickness.

**SCLEROMA** (σκληρός, hard). The name given by Chambon to the fibrous bodies sometimes found in the uterus.

**SCLEROPHTHALMIA** (σκληρός, hard, ὀφθαλμός, the eye). Protrusion of the eyeball. Inflammation of the eye, attended with hardness. [Ætius applies this term to hordeolum. Its signification is unsettled.]

**SCLEROTICA** (σκληρός, hard). The dense fibrous membrane which, with the *cornea*, forms the external tunic of the eye-ball.

1. *Sclerotic-ectome* [*Sclerectomia*] (ἐκτομή, excision). The removing of a portion of the sclerotic and choroid coats, for the purpose of forming an artificial pupil.

2. *Sclerotitis*. Sclerotic inflammation.

**SCOBs** (*scabo*, to scratch). Any kind of powder or dust, produced by sawing, filing, or boring. Hence we have *scob*s *guaiaci*, the shavings, turnings, or raspings of guaiacum wood. See *Storax*.

**SCOLIOSIS** (σκολιός, crooked). Crookedness; distortion of the vertebral column; rachitis.

[**SCOLOPENDRUM OFFICINARUM.** Harts-tongue. A fern, the leaves of which were formerly esteemed deobstruent, and astringent.]

[**SCOPARIUS.** The fresh tops of *Cytisus Scoparius*.]

**SCORBUTUS.** Scurvy. This is a barbarous term, probably derived from the Slavonic word *scorb*, with a Latin termination. Scorbutus has also been termed *gingibrachium* and *gingipedum*, from its affecting the gums, arms, and legs, and it is usually distinguished by a set of symptoms designated by the term *putrescent*.

**SCORIA** (σκωρία, from σκῶρ, excrement). The scum or dross of metals; the refuse or useless part of any substance; excrement.

**SCOTO'MA** (σκότος, darkness). Pl. *Scotomata*. Dark appearances before the eyes; an affection attendant upon various





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**SEBATE.** A salt formed by the union of sebatic acid with a salifiable base.

**SECALE CEREALE.** Common Rye; a grass yielding *rye-flour*, which is employed in making bread. *Pulmentum*, or *jusculum secalinum*, is rye-pottage.

*Secale cornutum.* Spurred rye, or ergot; a disease of the grain, caused by the presence of a parasitic fungus. See *Ergota*.

**SECERNENTS** (*secerno*, to separate). The name of those vessels whose function it is to deposit matters separated from the blood, for the reproduction of the several parts of the body.

**SECOND SIGHT.** A kind of phantasm, in which fearful forms of dead or living persons appear, occurring in northern nations. See *Phantasm*.

**SECRETION** (*secerno*, to separate). A substance *secreted* or separated from the blood, by the action of a secreting organ. Secreted substances are of two kinds; viz.

1. *Excretions.* Substances which existed previously in the blood, and are merely eliminated from it, as the urea, which is excreted by the kidneys; and the lactic acid and its salts, which are components both of the urine and of the cutaneous perspiration.

2. *Secretions.* Substances which cannot be simply separated from the blood, since they do not pre-exist in it, but are newly produced from the proximate components of the blood, by a chemical process, as the bile, the semen, the milk, mucus, &c.

**SECUNDINES** (*secundus*, second). The after-birth, consisting of the placenta and its membranes. In botany, the *secundine* is the interior of the two sacs of the ovule.

**SEDATIVES** (*sedo*, to allay). Medicinal agents which depress the vital powers without previous stimulation.

**SEDIMENT** (*sedeo*, to sit). That which subsides, or settles at the bottom of any liquid; dregs.

[**SEDUM ACRE.** Small houseleek. A plant of the family Crassulaceæ. The fresh herb and the expressed juice have been given as an antiscorbutic, emetic, cathartic, and diuretic; and they have been used as an external application to warts, cancerous and malignant ulcers, &c.]

**SEIDLITZ POWDERS.** Two drachms of tartrate of potassa and soda, and two scruples of bi-carbonate of soda, in a blue paper; and half a drachm of powdered tartaric acid in a white paper. Dissolve the former in half a pint of spring water, and add the latter. This preparation cannot be said to resemble the mineral

water of Seidlitz, except in its purgative property.

**SELENIUM** (*σελήνη*, the moon). A name sometimes given to the pure crystallized specimens of gypsum.

**SELENITE** (*σελήνη*, the moon). A metal discovered in the sulphur of Fahlun, and named from its strong analogy to another metal, *tellurium*, which is named from *tellus*, the earth. It combines with oxygen, forming the *selenious* and *selenic* acids.

**SELIBRA** (*semis*, half, *libra*, a pound). Half a pound; six ounces.

**SELLA TURCICA** (*sella*, a seat). A designation of a part of the sphenoid bone, resembling a Turkish saddle, and likewise termed *sella equina* and *sella sphenoides*.

**SEMEIOLOGY** (*σημείον*, a sign, *λόγος*, an account). That branch of medicine which treats of the signs of diseases.

**SEMEN** (*sero*, to sow). The fecundating fluid of the male, consisting of three distinct elements, viz. a fluid, granules, and animalcules or *spermatozoa*.

**SEMEN-CONTRA.** *Semencine*; *barbotine*. A strong aromatic bitter drug imported from Aleppo and Barbary as a vermifuge, and produced, according to Batka, by the *Artemisia Sieberi*.

**SEMI.** A Latin prefix, derived from *semis*, denoting *half*. In Greek compounds, the term *hemi-* is correctly employed.

1. *Semi-amplexicaul.* Half stem-embracing; applied to leaves which partially sheath the stem.

2. *Semi-anatropous.* A term denoting the same as *amphitropous*, except that in the former the ovule is parallel with the funiculus, while in the latter it is at right angles with it.

3. *Semi-circular canals.* Three bony passages of the internal ear, situated in the substance of the petrous portion of the temporal bone, and opening into the vestibule. One of these is *perpendicular*, the second *oblique*, and the third *horizontal*.

4. *Semi-cupium.* A half-bath; a bath which reaches only to the hip; called by the French, *demi-bain*.

5. *Semi-flosculous.* A term applied to those florets of the Compositæ, which are ligulate, or strap-shaped, as in *Taraxacum*. The limbs of the cohering petals cohere on one side of the floret, giving it the appearance of *half a floret*.

6. *Semi-lunar fibro-cartilages.* Two falciform plates of fibro-cartilage, situated around the margin of the head of the tibia.



7. *Semi-lunar ganglia*. Two ganglia, situated on each side of the aorta, on a level with the cœliac artery.

8. *Semi-lunar notch*. An indentation, in the form of a half-moon, between the coracoid process and the superior border of the scapula.

9. *Semi-lunar valves*. Three semi-circular valves, which guard the orifice of the pulmonary artery. Similar valves are placed around the commencement of the aorta.

10. *Semi-metals*. A term formerly applied to those bodies which possess the qualities of metals, with the exception of malleability.

11. *Semi-membranosus*. A muscle arising from the tuber ischii, and inserted into the head of the tibia. It bends the leg.

12. *Semi-spinales*. Two muscles connected with the transverse and spinous processes of the vertebræ.

13. *Semi-tendinosus*. A muscle arising from the tuber ischii, and inserted into the tibia; it is the *semi-nervosus* of Winslow. It bends the leg.

SEMOLINA. A preparation of flour, made up by moisture into little balls.

[SEMPERVIVUM TECTORUM. Common Houseleek. A plant of the family Joubarbea, employed in the recent state as a cooling application to stings of venomous insects, ulcers, &c.]

SENECA SNAKEROOT. The root of the *Polygala Senega*. The name of this plant is derived from its having been employed by the *Senegaroo* Indians as a remedy for the bite of the rattlesnake.

*Senegin*. A name given to *polygalic acid*, the active principle of the senega root, residing in its cortical part.

[SENECIO VULGARIS. Common Groundsel. A European composite plant, used sometimes, bruised, as an external application to painful swellings and ulcers.]

SENNA. A general term for the dried leaves of several species of *Cassia*. Their purgative principle has been procured in a separate form, and called *cathartine*.

1. *Tinnevelly senna*. The leaves of the *Cassia elongata*, the finest senna of commerce.

2. *Acute-leaved senna*. The leaves of the *Cassia acutifolia*; the principal part of the senna consumed in Great Britain, is produced by this species; it is, however, much adulterated.

3. *Mecca senna*. The leaves of the *Cassia lanceolata*, according to Forskhal.

4. *Tripoli senna*. The leaves of the

*Cassia Æthiopica*, of very uniform appearance.

5. *Aleppo and Italian senna*. The leaves of the *Cassia obovata*, of inferior quality: this species is probably identical with the *Cassia obtusa* of Roxburgh.

[6. *Alexandria Senna*. The leaflets of *Cassia acutifolia*, *C. obovata*, and sometimes *C. Æthiopica* always mixed with the leaves of *Cynanchum Argel*, and sometimes with those of *Tephrosia Apollinea*.

[7. *American Senna*. The leaves of the *Cassia Marylandica*.]

SENSIBILITY (*sentio*, to perceive).

A term expressing, generally, the state of the feelings or character, but employed in physiology to denote a property belonging exclusively to animal life, and always connected with the nervous system. To avoid this ambiguous signification, the term *sensitivity* has been suggested, which may bear the same relation to the nervous system, as contractility bears to the muscular.

1. *Sensible*. An ambiguous term, applied in the French language, to a body capable of receiving, of producing, or of conducting sensations. In English, part of the difficulty may be removed by employing the word *sentient* in the first, and *sensitive* in the third of these cases; but we have still a fourth, and that the most ordinary use of the word *sensible*, as expressing the state of the intellectual powers.

2. *Sensation*. A term generally applied to the effect produced on the sensorium by an impression transmitted to it by a nerve. Dr. Bostock would extend the term to all the actions of the nervous system, including both the organic and animal sensibility of Bichat, and the nervous and sensorial powers of Dr. Philip.

3. *Perception*. A mode or species of sensation, corresponding, to a certain extent, with Bichat's animal sensibility, and more nearly with Dr. Phillip's sensorial powers.

4. *Sentiment*. A term employed by Magendie, and some other French writers, as nearly synonymous with *perception*. Bichat uses the word *tact* in nearly the same sense. Legallois, however, employs the word *sentiment* as correlative to *mouvement*, expressing nervous action generally.

5. *Perceptivity*. A term suggested to express the power which certain parts of the nervous system possess of exciting perceptions. Richerand employed *perceptibilité* in this sense.—*Bostock*.



**SENSORIUM** (*sentio*, to perceive). A term applied to a supposed centre of perception, residing in the brain, from which volition originates, and to which all impressions are referred or conveyed, before they excite perceptions.

**SEPAL**. A term of uncertain origin, denoting each division of the *calyx* in plants. When these are distinct from each other, the calyx is called *polysepalous*; when they cohere by their margins, the calyx is termed *monosepalous* or more correctly *gamosepalous*.

**SEPIA**. The Cuttle-fish; a genus of Cephalopods, the bone of which, when ground into powder, constitutes *inkle*, and is sometimes used as a dentifrice. The pigment called *sepia* is obtained from the ink-bag of an oriental species.

**SEPTIC** (*σήπω*, to putrefy). Relating to putrefaction; causing putrefaction.

**SEPTICIDAL**. That kind of dehiscence in which the septa of a compound fruit separate each into two lamina.

**SEPTIFRAGAL**. That kind of dehiscence in which the backs of the carpels separate from the septa, which adhere to the axis.

**SEPTUM** (*sepēs*, a hedge). Literally, an enclosure, or fenced place.

1. *Septum auricularum*. The partition which separates the right from the left auricle of the heart.

2. *Septum ventriculorum*. The partition which separates the right from the left ventricle of the heart.

3. *Septum lucidum*. The internal boundary of the lateral ventricle of the brain, so called from its being thin and semi-transparent.

4. *Septum narium*. The cartilaginous partition of the nostrils.

5. *Septum transversum*. The diaphragm, which separates the thorax from the abdomen. This term is also applied to the *tentorium cerebelli*, which separates the cerebrum from the cerebellum.

6. *Septum pectiniforme*. An incomplete partition, which divides the cavity of the corpus cavernosum into two lateral portions.

7. *Septum recto-vaginal*. A vascular lace-work, which connects the rectum with the vagina.

8. *Septum scroti*. A partition formed by the dartos, dividing the scrotum into two equal cavities, and separating the testes.

9. *Septum* or *dissepiment*, in botany, denotes a partition found in a compound ovary, formed by the united sides of two cohering carpels. There are, conse-

quently, as many septa as there are carpels.

**SEQUE'LA** (*sequor*, to follow). A morbid affection which *follows* another, as, anasarca after scarlatina, &c.

**SEQUESTRUM** (*sequestro*, to sever). The portion of bone which is detached in necrosis.

**SERICEOUS**. Silky; covered with long, fine, appressed hairs, giving the surface a silky appearance.

**SERICIC ACID**. *Myristic acid*. An acid obtained from the solid portion of the butter of nutmegs, the seeds of the *Myristica moschata*.

*Sericine*. A white crystalline fat, forming an ingredient of the butter of nutmegs, and composed of sericic acid and glycerine.

**SERPENTARIA**. Virginian Snake-root, or Birthwort; a species of *Aristolochia*. It received its name from its root having been used as a remedy for the bites of serpents.

**SERPI'GO** (*serpo*, to creep). Ring-worm, or tetter. It is so called from its *creeping* over the surface of the skin.

[*Serpiginous*. A term given to certain superficial ulcers, tetter, &c., which as they heal in one part extend in another.]

**SEROSITY**. A colourless, limpid fluid, which oozes out from coagulated *serum*, on being subjected to pressure.

**SERRA**. Literally, a saw. A dentation, or tooth-like articulating process of certain bones, as those of the cranium.

1. *Serratus magnus*. A muscle of the lateral thoracic region, arising by fleshy serrations from the upper ribs, and inserted into the whole length of the scapula.

2. *Serratus posticus*. The name of two muscles of the back, the *superior* and the *inferior*, arising from some of the vertebrae, and inserted by serrations into several of the ribs.

3. *Serrate*. Sawed; having the edge divided into sharp, straight-edged teeth, pointing upwards like a saw. When the serrations are themselves serrate, the margin of the leaf is termed *bi-serrate*.

**SERRE-ARTE'RE**. An instrument invented by Deschamps, for compressing the artery, and tightening the ligature in the operation for aneurysm.

**SERRE-NŒUD**. An instrument used in applying ligatures, and consisting of a long, narrow, round piece of silver, terminating at one end in a little ring, or hole; and at the other, in a kind of groove, or notch.

**SERTULUM**. A name applied by some continental botanists to the simple





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the disease for which it is a remedy, or the object for which it should be employed.]

**SIGMOID** (the Greek letter  $\Sigma$ , *sigma*, and *εἶδος*, likeness). Resembling the letter  $\Sigma$ , as applied to a *flexure of the colon*, where it forms a double curve in the iliac region; and to the *semicircular valves*, which guard the orifice of the pulmonary artery, and of the aorta.

**SILEX**. Flint; an oxide of silicon, forming the basis of chalcedony, cornelian, jasper, &c.

**SILICA**. Silicious earth; the oxide of silicon, constituting almost the whole of *silex* or flint. It combines with many of the metallic oxides, and is hence sometimes called *silicic acid*.

**SILICON**. *Silicium*. An elementary body constituting the basis of silica.

**SILQUA**. A fruit consisting of two carpels cohering together, the placentæ of which are parietal, and separate from the valves, presenting a kind of frame called a *replum*, and connected by a membranous expansion, as in the stock.

*Silicula*. A designation of the *siliqua*, when it is very short, or broader than it is long, as in Candytuft. The term is a diminutive of *siliqua*.

**SILVAN**. The name given by Werner to Tellurium.

**SILVER**. A metal occurring native in mines, and in combination with other metals. See *Argentum*.

1. *Horn silver*. Chloride of silver; a compound resembling horn, and which, like that substance, may be cut with a knife.

2. *Fulminating silver*. An explosive substance, formed of oxide of silver combined with ammonia.

**SILVIC ACID**. An acid procured from the resin of the Scotch fir.

**SIMARUBACEÆ**. The Quassia tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* polypetalous; *stamens* twice as many as the petals, hypogynous; *ovarium* 4- or 5-celled; *fruit*, indehiscent drupes.

*Simaruba amara*. Bitter Simaruba, or Mountain Damson, the root of which yields the *simaruba bark* of the shops. From its use in dysentery, the Germans have termed it *dysentery bark*.

**SIMILOR**. The designation of an alloy of zinc and copper.

**SIMPLE**. A general name for all herbs which have any medicinal value.

**SINAPIS SEMINA**. Mustard seeds; the seeds of the *sinapis nigra* and *alba*, which, when reduced to flour, form the

well-known condiment *mustard*. A peculiar substance has been obtained from black mustard-seeds, and called *sinapisin*.

**SINAPISM** (*sinapis*, mustard). An external stimulant, formed of the farina of mustard seeds, made into a paste with crumbs of bread, and vinegar; [or with water.]

**SINCIPUT**. The fore part of the head. The back part is called *occiput*.

**SINEW**. The ligament which joins two bones.

**SINGULIS DIEBUS**. Every or each day, denoting a time finite and determinate. But, *in dies singulos* means daily, or from day to day, denoting a progression of time. Quack medicines are advertised *in dies singulos*, and are swallowed by the public *singulis diebus*.

**SINGULTUS**. This term properly signifies *sobbing*. See *Hiccup*.

**SINUATE**. Having a wavy margin, irregularly convex and concave.

**SINUS**. A gulf. Hence it denotes a cavity or a cell within the substance of a bone, as of the forehead; also, a large venous canal, as those of the dura mater.

1. *Sinuses of the dura mater*. Certain channels which traverse the dura mater in various points, for the reception of the venous blood.

2. *Sinuses of Morgagni*. The numerous small foramina which open upon the surface of the mucous lining of the urethra.

3. *Sinus aortici*. The fossæ situated between the semilunar valves and the cylinder of the aorta.

4. *Sinuses, pulmonary*. Three pouches situated between the semilunar valves and the cylinder of the pulmonary artery.

5. *Sinus pocularis*. A cup-like pouch of mucous membrane, situated at the commencement of the caput gallinaginis.

6. *Sinus urogenitalis*. A sinus existing in the embryo of the mammalia and of man. It is a cavity or canal, opening externally, in which the excretory ducts of the Wolffian bodies, the ureters, and the efferent parts of the generative apparatus terminate internally. This canal is also prolonged into the urachus, and is subsequently divided into a *pars urinaria* and a *pars genitalis*.

7. *Sinus terminalis*. A circular venous canal, which surrounds the area vasculosa in the chick.

**SIRIASIS** (*σιρῆσις*, a cavity). An affection described by Paulus as an inflammation about the cerebrum, in which the



brain is said oftentimes to mortify within three days; it is so named from the bones about the fontanelle, or sometimes the membrane only, being depressed or drawn in. The term is also derived from *σειριος*, the dog-star, as implying a sun-stroke.

**SITIOLOGY** (*σίτιον*, food, a *λόγος*, a description). A treatise on food.

**SIVVENS** or **SIBBENS**. The Scotch word for the wild raspberry, applied to the disease called Yaws, just as the French term *framboise* has been used for the same purpose, from fancied resemblance.

**SIXTH SENSE**. A term applied to *muscular* sensation, arising from the sensitive department of the fifth pair, and the compound spinal nerves.

The *Seventh* or *Visceral sense*, is a term applied to the *instinctive* sensations arising from the ganglionic department of the nervous system.

**SIZE**. The *buffy coat* which appears on the surface of coagulated blood drawn in inflammation. The surface of the coagulum is frequently contracted, puckered up at its edges, and concave in the centre: the blood is in such cases said to be *cupped*.

**SKELETON** (*σκέλλω*, to dry up). The dry bony frame-work of an animal, which sustains the other organs. When the bones are connected by their own ligaments, the skeleton is called *natural*; when joined by wires or plates of silver, iron, &c., it is termed *artificial*. The skeleton in man is divided into *trunk* and *extremities*.

1. The *Trunk* consists of a middle part and two extremities. The middle part is formed by the vertebral column and the chest. The vertebral column is composed of twenty-four bones, called *vertebræ*, and is divided into three regions, the cervical, the dorsal, and the lumbar.

2. The *Upper Extremity of the Trunk* is the head, which comprehends the cranium and face. The face is divided into the upper and lower jaw. The *lower extremity* of the trunk is the pelvis.

3. The *Superior* or *Thoracic Extremities* consist each of four parts, viz. the shoulder, the arm, the fore-arm, and the hand. The last of these is subdivided into the carpus, the metacarpus, and the fingers.

4. The *Inferior* or *Abdominal Extremities* are each divided into three parts, viz. the thigh, the leg, and the foot. The last of these is subdivided into the *tarsus*, the *metatarsus*, and the toes.

**SKIN**. The organ of touch. It is composed of three layers, the *cutis*, *dermis*, or true skin; the *rete mucosum*, which gives the colour to the skin; and the *cuticle*, epidermis, or scarf-skin.

**SKIN-BOUND DISEASE**. A peculiar affection of infancy, originating in chronic inflammation of the cellular membrane. The whole surface of the body is swelled and hard, and the skin is cold and tight-bound.

[**SLAVERING**. Drivelling.]

**SLING**. A bandage for supporting a wounded limb.

[**SLEEP**. The cessation of the activity of the cerebral hemispheres and ganglia of special sense, while the medulla oblongata and spinal cord is in complete functional activity.]

**SLOUGH**. A thin, foul, or mortified substance in a moist state which frequently appears on the surface of parts in the states of suppuration and ulceration. [The disorganized part separated in *sphacelus*.]

**SMALL POX**. A term derived from *poc*, Saxon, a bag or pouch; the epithet *small* was added in the fifteenth century, on the introduction of the *great* pox, or syphilis. See *Variola*.

**SMALT**, or **SMALTZ**. An oxide of cobalt, melted with silicious earth and potash. When ground very fine, it is known by the name of *powder-blue*; it is used in the arts, and in the painting of earthenware.

**SMEGMA PREPUTII** (*σμηγμα*, soap). The name of the odorous humour secreted by the *glandulæ odoriferæ*, from its tendency to solidity, like *soap*.

**SMILACEÆ**. The *Smilax* tribe of Monocotyledonous plants. Herbaceous climbing plants; *flowers* hexapetaloidous, hermaphrodite, sometimes diœcious; *stamens* 6; *ovarium* 3-celled; *fruit* a berry.

1. *Smilax aspera*. The plant generally supposed to produce Indian sarsaparilla, and hence Mr. Garden has named a new principle he has found in it, *smilasperic acid*. Dr. Lindley, states, however, that the sarsaparilla of India is chiefly the root of the *Hemidesmus Indicus*, an Asclepiadaceous plant.

2. *Smilax sarsaparilla*. A species growing in the [middle and] Southern United States, and not known to possess any medicinal properties.

3. *Smilax purhampuy*. A species highly extolled by Ruiz, who calls it *China Peruviana*, as one of the very best kinds of sarsaparilla. Dr. Lindley supposes it to be identical with *Smilax officinalis*.



4. *Smilax syphilitica*. A South American species, which, according to Dr. Pereira, yields Lisbon or Brazilian sarsaparilla.

5. *Smilax officinalis*. A species growing on the banks of the Magdalena, and supposed by Dr. Pereira to produce *Jamaica sarsaparilla*, the most valuable kind in the market.

6. *Smilax China*. A species growing in China, the rhizome of which forms one of the *China roots* of the shops, and is recommended as a substitute for sarsaparilla.

7. *Smilacin*. A principle procured from sarsaparilla, and designated by the various names of *pariglin*, *salseparin*, and *parallinic acid*.

SMILASPERIC ACID. A peculiar volatile substance procured from the root of *Hemidesmus Indicus*. The name was occasioned by the belief that the root was that of the *Smilax aspera*.

SNAKEROOT. *Radix serpentariae*. The root of the *Aristolochia serpentaria*, or Virginia snakeroot, formerly termed alexipharmic, on account of its fancied power of curing the bite of the rattlesnake and of a mad dog.

[*Black snakeroot*. *Cimicifuga racemosa*.

[*Button snakeroot*. *Eryngium aquaticum*.

[*Canada snakeroot*. *Asarum Canadense*.

[*Seneka snakeroot*. *Polygala Senega*.]

SNEEZING. A convulsive action of the muscles of the chest, from irritation of the Schneiderian membrane.

SNOW BLINDNESS. An affection of the eyes, caused by the reflection of light from the snow; the Esquimaux wear as a preventitive against it a kind of goggles, called *snow-eyes*, made of extremely light wood, resting by a bridge on the nose, like spectacles, and with a narrow slit, through which they look.

SOCIA PAROTIDIS. The name of a second portion of the parotid gland, which is frequently developed from the duct, while on the masseter muscle.

SODA. An alkali procured from the ashes of marine plants; formerly called the *mineral alkali*, from its being found native, under the name of *natron*, in mineral seams or crusts.

1. *Soda tartarizata*. Tartrate of soda and potass, formerly called *sel de seignette*, *sal rupellensis*, or *Rochelle salt*, *sal polychrest*, &c.

2. *Soda acetata*. Acetate of soda, formerly called *terra foliata tartari crystallizata*, or *terra foliata mineralis*.

3. *Sodæ bi-boras*. Bi-borate of soda, or borax; when heated, it becomes a friable mass, called *calcined borax*; at a still higher temperature, it passes into a transparent glass, called *glass of borax*, which is anhydrous.

4. *Sodæ carbonas*. Carbonate of soda, also called the sub-carbonate, mild mineral or fossil alkali, aerated mineral alkali, and *natron carbonicum*.

5. *Sodæ hypochloris*. Hypochlorate of soda, commonly called *chloride of soda*, *Labarraque's soda disinfecting liquid*, *oxymuriate of soda*, and *chloruret of the oxide of sodium*.

6. *Sodæ murias*. Muriate or hydrochlorate of soda, *chloride of sodium*, or *common salt*.

7. *Sodæ nitras*. Nitrate of soda, also termed *cubic*, *quadrangular*, or *rhomoidal nitre*; employed for pyrotechnical purposes, and as a manure.

8. *Sodæ phosphas*. Phosphate of soda, formerly called *alkali minerale* and *sal mirabile perlatum*. In the shops it is sold as *tasteless purging salts*.

9. *Sodæ sulphas*. Sulphate of soda, formerly called *natron vitriolatum*, *sal catharticus Glauberi*, or *Glauber's salt*.

SODA-WATER. A beverage formed by a solution of the carbonate of soda in water, which is afterwards impregnated with more carbonic acid than is sufficient for saturation. The *bottled soda water*, of the shops is merely carbonic acid water.

SODIUM. A peculiar metal, constituting the basis of soda. *Soda* is the protoxide.

*Sodii chloridum*. Chloride of sodium, also called *muriate* or *hydrochlorate of soda*, *culinary salt*, and *common salt*.

SOFT PALATE. *Velum pendulum palati*. A soft movable curtain, appended to the extremity of the vault of the palate, and separating the mouth from the pharynx.

SOFTENING. *Ramollissement*. A term employed to denote a diminution of the natural and healthy consistence of organs.

*Softening of the Brain*. *Mollities cerebri*. An affection of the brain, in which it is found to be pulpy or pasty, sometimes as *liquescent as soup*.

SOL. The Sun; the name given to gold by the former chemists. See *Luna*.

SOLANACEÆ. The nightshade tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants or shrubs, with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* monopetalous, regular; *stamens* inserted in the corolla; *ovarium* 2-celled; *fruit* succulent.





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in the pine-apple, the mulberry, the bread-fruit, &c.

**SORUS** (*σωρός*, a heap). The botanical term for each cluster of sporuliferous thecæ developed on the under surface of the fronds of Ferns.

**SOUND**. An instrument which is introduced into the bladder, for the purpose of ascertaining the presence of a calculus.

**SOUNDS**. A gelatinous substance, constituting the swimming-bladder of the fish.

**SPADIX**. A form of inflorescence, in which the flowers are arranged close together upon a succulent axis, which is enveloped in a sheath, or *spathe*, as in Arum.

*Spadicose*. Having the organs of reproduction arranged upon a spadix, as Arum.

[**SPARADRAPUM**. Sparadrap. A general term for all adhesive plasters spread upon muslin or any other tissue.]

**SPARGANOSIS** (*σπαργάω*, to tumefy). A term applied by Dioscorides to puerperal tumid-leg. See *Phlegmasia dolens*.

**SPARTUM JUNCEUM**. Spanish Broom; a Leguminous plant, the seeds of which have been employed in dropsical affections.

**SPASM** (*σπάω*, to draw). Cramp; irregular contraction of the muscles.

1. *Constrictive spasm* is attended with contraction, rigidity, or both; as wry-neck, lock-jaw, tetanus, &c.

2. *Clonic spasm* is the violent agitation of one or more muscles, in sudden and irregular snatches, as hiccough, sneezing, &c.

3. *Synclonic spasm* is the tremulous, simultaneous, and chronic agitation of various muscles; as St. Vitus's dance, shaking palsy, &c.

4. *Tonic spasm* consists in contraction of a contractile organ. When there are alternate contraction and relaxation, the spasm is called *clonic*.—*Laennec*.

**SPASMOLOGY** (*σπάσμα*, a spasm, *λόγος*, a description). A treatise on spasms or convulsions.

**SPASM CYNICUS**. The Sardonic grin. If one side of the face only be affected, the affection is denominated *tortura oris*. See *Sardonicus*.

**SPATHE**. A large bract, which envelops the spadix of the Arum.

*Spathaceous*. Having the organs of reproduction enclosed within a spathe, or large sheathing bract.

**SPATULA** (dim. of *spatha*, a spattle).

An instrument for spreading salves or ointments.

*Spatulate*. Like a spatula; oblong, with the lower end much contracted, as the leaf of daisy.

**SPECIFIC**. An infallible remedy for any particular disease.

**SPECULUM**. Literally, a glass. An instrument for facilitating the examination of parts, and also the performance of operations on them, as the speculum uteri, &c.

**SPECULUM METAL**. An alloy of about two parts of copper and one of tin; used for making mirrors.

**SPERMA** (*σπείρω*, to sow). *Semen*. The seminal fluid. The seed of plants.

1. *Spermatic cord*. A cord consisting of the vessels and nerves which pass to and from the testis, enclosed in several tunics or fasciæ.

2. *Spermatic canal*. The oblique space in the abdominal parietes, near to Poupart's ligament, which transmits the spermatic cord.

3. *Spermato-cele* (*κήλη*, a tumour). An enlargement of the testis, supposed to be produced by the semen.

4. *Spermo-derm* (*δέρμα*, skin). The testa, primine, or external membrane of the seed of plants. The term is sometimes applied, collectively, to all the integuments of the seed.

5. *Spermato-zoa* (*ζῶον*, an animal). Animalcules found in the semen of animals, and sometimes, though much more rarely, in plants. In the former, they occur in the vas deferens and in the vesiculæ seminales; in the latter, in cryptogamic plants, and perhaps in the pollen grains of the higher orders of plants.

[6. *Spermatorrhœa* (*ρῆω*, to flow). Spermorrhœa. Seminal flux.]

**SPERMACETI** (*σπέρμα*, semen, and *κῆτος*, a whale). *Cetaceum*. A substance found principally in the head of the *Physeter macrocephalus*, or Great headed Cachalot. Absolutely pure spermaceti is called *cetine*.

**SPHACELISMUS** (*σφάκελος*, gangrene). A term simply denoting gangrene, but also signifying "agitation from excessive pain;" and hence, probably, it has been employed as synonymous with *phrenitis*.

**SPHACELUS** (*σφάζω*, to destroy). Complete mortification; generally, preceded by *gangrene*, the incomplete state.

There is a form of *sphacelus*, which generally occurs in infants, and young children, attacking the mouth and cheeks,



and the external parts of the female organs of generation. It has been termed *noma*, *cheilocace*, *stomacace gangrenosa seu maligna*, *necrosis infantilis*, *gangrenous aphthæ*, *water-canker*, &c.

**SPHENOID** (*σφην*, a wedge, *εἶδος*, likeness). Wedge-like, as applied to a bone of the skull, which *wedges in* and locks together most of the other bones.

1. *Sphenoïdal*. A term 'applied to wedge-like *fissures* and *cells* of the sphenoid bone.

2. *Spheno-palatine ganglion*. The largest of the cranial ganglia, situated in the pterygo-palatine fossa.

3. *Spheno-salpingo-staphylinus*. A designation of the circumflexus palati muscle, from its origin and insertion.

4. *Spheno-staphylinus*. A designation of the levator palati mollis, from its arising from the sphenoid bone, and being inserted into the velum palati.

**SPHINCTER** (*σφίγγω*, to contract). A muscle, whose office it is to close the aperture around which it is placed.

1. *Sphincter ani*. A thin layer of muscular fibres, surrounding the anus like an ellipse, is termed *sphincter ani externus*; another layer embracing the lower extremity of the rectum, is called *sphincter ani internus*.

2. *Sphincter oris*. A name of the orbicularis oris, or muscle situated round the mouth.

3. *Sphincter vesicæ*. An incorrect designation of a few transverse fibres found at the neck of the bladder; they do not surround the neck, and therefore cannot act as a sphincter.

**SPHYGMOMETER** (*σφυγμῶς*, the pulse, *μέτρον*, a measure). The name of an instrument which renders the action of the arteries apparent to the eye.

**SPICA**. Literally, an ear of corn; a clove of garlic. The name of a bandage, so called from its turns, or *doloires*, being thought to resemble the rows of an ear of corn.

**SPICA DESCENDENS**. The *uniting bandage*, used in rectilinear wounds; it consists of a double-headed roller, with a longitudinal slit in the middle, three or four inches long. The roller having one head passed through the slit, enables the surgeon to draw the lips of the wound together.

**SPIGELIA MARILANDICA**. Carolina Pink, or Perennial Wormgrass; an American plant, named from Adrian Spigelius, and collected and sold by the Cherokee Indians. It is a much valued anthelmintic in the United States.

**SPIKE**. A form of inflorescence, in which all the buds of an elongated branch develop as flower-buds, without forming peduncles, as in barley. Compare *Raceme*.

*Spikelet* or *Locusta*. A small spike; an integral portion of the inflorescence of wheat, and other grasses.

[**SPIKE, OIL OF**. See *Lavandula spica*.]

**SPIKENARD**. A perfume and stimulant medicine procured from the *Nardostachys Jatamansi*, an Indian plant of the order *Valerianaceæ*.

**SPILUS** (*σπίλος*, a spot). A congenital spot, appearing to consist of a partial thickening of the rete mucosum, sometimes of a yellow, or yellowish-brown, sometimes of a bluish, livid, or nearly black colour. Compare *Nævus*.

**SPINA**. Literally, a thorn: hence it is sometimes applied to the back-bone, from the *thorn-like* process of the vertebræ. It sometimes denotes the shin-bone.

*Spinalis dorsii*. A muscle of the back, which, with its fellow, forms an ellipse, inclosing the spinous processes of all the dorsal vertebræ.

**SPINA BIFIDA** (*bis*, twice, *findo*, to cleave). *Hydro-rachitis*. Literally, the cloven spine. This term denotes—

1. A disease attended with an incomplete state of some of the vertebræ, and a fluid swelling, commonly situated over the lower lumbar vertebræ.

2. An analogous tumour, sometimes occurring on children's heads, attended with an imperfect ossification of a part of the cranium.

**SPINA VENTOSA**. A term first used by the Arabian writers to designate a disease, in which matter formed in the interior of a bone, and afterwards made its way outward, beneath the skin. The word *spina* was employed before the time of the Arabians, to express the nature of the pain attendant on the disease; and *ventosa* was added by them, from the resemblance of the affection to emphysema. [*Spina ventosa* is analogous to the encysted tumour of soft parts. It consists of an equable expansion of the laminæ of bone, forming a cavity in the interior, occupied by a fluid not always purulent; sometimes only puriform, sometimes clear and glairy. The parietes, as the cavity slowly enlarges, are more and more attenuated; at some points they become only membranous, and ultimately the membrane too may give way. No osseous deposit accompanies the dilatation, as in chronic abscess; for the mor-



bid process is from the first independent of and unconnected with the inflammatory. The cavity is lined by a membrane more of a serous than of a pyogenic character; and sometimes membranous septa subdivide, as in the multilocular serous cysts.— Miller.]

**SPINAL CORD.** *Medulla spinalis.* The medullary matter contained within the *spina*, or vertebral column.

[**SPIRÆA TOMENTOSA.** *Spiræa*, Ph. U. S.; Hardback. An indigenous shrub of the natural order Rosaceæ. The root is the only officinal part, but the whole plant possesses tonic and astringent properties, and has been used in cholera infantum, diarrhœa, &c. The best form of administration is the extract, of which the dose is gr. v. to gr. xv.]

**SPIRAL VESSELS.** *Trachenchyma.* Long cylindrical tubes, tapering to each end, and having an elastic spiral fibre generated within them; these are the type of the *vascular tissue* of plants.

**SPIRIT OF SALT.** A concentrated solution of muriatic acid gas in water. It is also known by the name of *marine*, or *muriatic acid*.

**SPIRITUS.** Spirit; a general term, comprising all inflammable liquors obtained by distillation, as brandy, geneva, &c. The first spirit known in Europe was made from grapes, and sold as a medicine in Italy and Spain, under the name of *alcohol*. The Genoese afterwards prepared it from grain, and sold it under the name of *aqua vitæ*.

1. *Spiritus rectificatus.* Rectified spirit, or alcohol in nearly its highest state of concentration, commonly called *spirit of wine*. It varies from 54 to 60, or even 64 per cent. over *proof*, in the language of Sikes's hydrometer.

2. *Spiritus tenuior.* Proof spirit, or rectified spirit mixed with water.

3. *Spiritus vini Gallici.* Brandy; an ardent spirit obtained by the distillation of wine.

4. *Spiritus sacchari.* Rum; an ardent spirit obtained by distillation from the fermented skimmings of the sugar boilers' molasses, &c.

5. *Spiritus frumenti compositus.* Compound corn spirit, obtained by distillation from fermented infusions of corn, as *gin*, *whiskey*, and the various *Compounds*.

6. *Spiritus, in pharmacy.* Alcoholates, or spirits; alcoholic solutions of volatile substances, generally vegetable, obtained by distillation, and used in medicine.

**SPLANCHNON** (*σπλάγχνον*). A viscus or intestine.

1. *Splanchno-logy* (*λόγος*, an account). A description of the viscera; one of the divisions of the study of anatomy.

2. *Splanchnic Nerves.* These are two in number on each side, distinguished into the *great*, which pass behind the stomach, and terminate in the semilunar ganglion; and the *small*, which communicate with the former, and terminate in the renal ganglion.

[3. *Splanchnic cavities.* The cavities of the cranium, chest, and abdomen.]

**SPLEN** (*σπλήν*). The Spleen; an organ situated on the posterior part of the left hypochondrium. Its outer surface is convex; the inner is divided by a groove, called the *fissure of the spleen*. Hippocrates calls the spleen the *left*, and Aristotle the *bastard, liver*, from the alliance which subsists between them.

1. *Splen-algia* (*ἄλγος*, pain). *Splenis dolor*. Pain in the spleen. *Ague-cake*. *Splenalgia congestionis* is the most usual of the chronic spleen diseases prevalent in India.

2. *Splen-emphraxis* (*ἐμφράσσω*, to obstruct). Congestion of the spleen.

3. *Splen-itis.* Inflammation of the spleen; it appears to be principally seated in the proper membrane of the spleen.

4. *Splenius.* A muscle of the back, resembling the spleen; it is single at its origin, and divides into the *splenius capitis* and the *splenius colli*, which have distinct insertions. The two splenii are so named from their lying, like surgical splints, along the side of the neck; both together they have the appearance of the letter Y; the complexus being seen between them in the upper part of the angle.

**SPLENIZATION.** A change induced in the lungs by inflammation, in which they resemble the substance of the *spleen*. This state differs from hepatization in the absence of the granules, and a consequently darker and more uniform texture; in appearance it resembles that condition of the lung produced in pleuropneumonia, called by Laennec *carification*.

**SPLINT BONE.** The fibula, or small bone of the leg; so named from its resembling a surgical splint.

**SPLINTS.** Long, thin pieces of wood, tin, &c., used for preventing the ends of broken bones from moving, so as to interrupt the process of their uniting.

**SPLIT-CLOTH.** *Scissum linteum.* A bandage for the head, consisting of a central part, and six or eight tails, or heads.





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thou couldst stammer, that thou mightest pour out of thy mouth, as wine comes out of a narrow-mouthed bottle, either too much at once, or none at all."

**STANNUM.** *Plumbum album.* Tin; a metal, occurring plentifully in Cornwall, &c. It is found united with sulphur and copper, and is then called *tin pyrites*; when combined with oxide of iron and silex, it is called *tin-stone*, and *wood-tin*.

1. *Stannum foliatum.* Tin foil; an alloy composed chiefly of tin, with a small portion of lead, and sold in the form of a leaf of about 1-1000th part of an inch in thickness.

2. *Stanni pulvis.* Powder of tin; granulated tin; a remedy for tape-worm.

3. *Stanni limatura.* Tin filings.

**STAPEDIUS.** A small muscle arising from the interior of the pyramid, and inserted into the neck of the *stapes*.

**STAPES.** Literally, a stirrup. A stirrup-like bone of the internal ear.

**STAPHISAGRIA.** Staves-acre, a species of *Delphinium*, the seeds of which are principally employed in powder, mixed with hair-powder, for destroying pediculi of the head. Their active properties depend on a peculiar alkaline principle, called *delphia*, or *delphinia*.

**STAPHYLE'** (*σταφυλή*, a bunch of grapes). A Greek term for the uvula, which enters into the designations of several muscles of the palate. Thus, *peri-staphylinus externus* is a synonyme of the circumflexus palati; *peri-staphylinus internus*, of the levator palati mollis. Then, the palato-pharyngeus has been distinguished by Winslow into three portions, with reference to its origin, viz. the *peristaphylo-pharyngæus*, or upper, *pharyngo-staphylinus*, or middle, and *thyro-staphylinus*, or lower portion.

**STAPHYLOMA** (*σταφυλή*, a bunch of grapes). [*Staphyloma corneæ*.] An increase in the size of the cornea, almost invariably accompanied by more or less opacity. Also a protrusion of the iris through openings of the cornea [*staphyloma iridis*]; that of the whole iris, after general slough of the cornea, is called *staphyloma racemosum*.

[*Staphyloma scleroticæ*. Morbid prominence of the sclerotica, consisting of one or more elevations; a frequent consequence of choroiditis.]

**STAPHYLORRHAPHIA** (*σταφυλή*, the palate, *ῥαφή*, a suture). Suture of the palate.

**STAR-ANISE.** *Anisum stellatum.* The fruit of the *Illicium anisatum*, a Magno-

liaceous plant. By distillation it yields the oil of star-anise, or *oleum badiani*, employed by liqueur-makers.

**STARCH.** A substance obtained from vegetables, particularly from tuberose roots, and the grains of gramineous plants. See *Amylum*.

**STASIS** (*στάω*, to stand). Stagnation of the blood, or of the humours.

[**STATIC CAROLINIANA.** Marsh Rosemary. An indigenous plant of the natural order Plumbaginaceæ, the root of which is powerfully astringent.]

**STATISTICS.** A term applied to the investigation and exposition of the actual condition of states and countries.

*Medical statistics* consist in the application of numbers to illustrate the natural history of men in health and disease.

**STEAM.** The vapour of water raised to a high degree of elasticity by heat. Steam is always of the same temperature as the water from which it rises, and, accordingly, the terms *high pressure steam*, steam produced at a high temperature, and steam of great density, may be considered as synonymous terms.

**STEARIC ACID** (*στέαρ*, suet). An acid procured from animal and vegetable fats, and from the bile of many animals.

**STEARINE** (*στέαρ*, suet). A solid crystallizable substance, the essential part of all kinds of suet. Compare *Elain*.

**STEAROPTEN** (*στέαρ*, suet). The solid portion of a volatile oil. See *Elaopten*.

**STEARO-RICINIC ACID.** An acid procured by distillation from castor oil.

**STEATOCELE** (*στέαρ*, suet, *κήλη*, a tumour). A tumour seated in the scrotum, and consisting of a suety substance.

**STEATOMA** (*στέαρ*, fat). A wen, or encysted tumour, containing a *fat-like* matter.

**STEEL.** Carburetted iron. The proportion of carbon is supposed to amount at an average, to 1-140th part. Steel is usually divided into three sorts, according to the method in which it is prepared, viz. *natural steel*, *steel of cementation*, and *cast steel*.

**STELLA.** *Stellated Bandage.* A bandage, so named from its forming a star, or cross, on the back. It is a roller, applied in the form of the figure '8' so as to keep back the shoulders.

**STEPHENS' (Mrs.) REMEDY FOR STONE.** This consisted of lime, which was produced by calcining the shells of eggs and snails, and made into pills with soap. A decoction was also administered,



consisting of chamomile, fennel, parsley, and burdock, together with a portion of Alicant soap. [The British parliament paid Mrs. Stephens' £5000 to make public this nostrum!]

**STENON'S DUCT.** The duct of the parotid gland, discovered by Stenon.

[**STERCUS.** Excrement.]

*Stercus Diaboli.* Devil's dung, a term applied by the Germans to *assafœtida*, owing to its disagreeable taste and odour. To some, however, it is a most grateful condiment, and has acquired the very different appellation of *cihus deorum*, or *food of the gods*.

[*Stercoraceous.* Relating to, or of the nature of excrement.]

**STERILITY** (*sterilis*, barren). Barrenness. Impotence in the male; inability to conceive in the female.

**STERNUM.** The breast bone. It is divided into two or three parts, terminating below in the ensiform cartilage.

1. *Sterno-clavicular.* The designation of a ligament extending from the sternum to the clavicle.

2. *Sterno-cleido-mastoïdeus.* A muscle arising by two origins from the summit of the sternum and the sternal portion of the clavicle, and inserted into the mastoid process of the temporal bone. It turns the head to one side, and bends it forwards.

3. *Sterno-hyoïdeus.* A muscle arising from the sternum, and inserted into the os hyoides. It depresses the larynx, and furnishes a fixed point for the depressors of the jaw.

4. *Sterno-thyroïdeus.* A muscle arising from the sternum, and inserted into the thyroid cartilage. It draws the larynx downwards.

**STERNUTATIO** (*sternuto*, to sneeze often). Sneezing. Hence the term *sternutatories*, or ptarmics, applied to medicines which excite sneezing. See *Errhines*.

**STERTOR** (*sterto*, to snore in sleeping). The Latin term for snoring or snorting.

**STETHOSCOPE** (*στήθος* the breast, *σκοπέω*, to explore). An instrument, invented by Laënnec, to assist the ear in examining the morbid sounds of the chest. See *Auscultation*.

**STHENIC** (*σθένος*, strength). A term applied by Dr. Brown to diseases produced according to his theory, by accumulated excitability. All other diseases were supposed to be occasioned by exhausted excitability, and were marked by indirect debility: these he termed *a-sthenic*.

**STIBIUM.** The ancient term for the

ore of antimony. Hence, Berzelius described the antimonious and antimonie acids, under the names *stibious* and *stibic*.

**STIGMA** (*στίζω*, to prick). A small red speck. Stigmata are generally distinct from each other; when livid, they are termed *petechiæ*.

*Stigma, in plants.* The upper extremity of the pistil. It has been termed the pistillary *spongelet*, from its property of absorbing the fecundating matter contained in the anther.

**STILLICIDIUM** (*stillo*, to ooze in drops, *cado*, to fall). Strangury; a discharge of the urine *guttatim*, or in drops. Also, the act of pumping upon any part.

[**STILLINGIA SYLVATICA.** Queen's Root. An indigenous plant of the natural order Euphorbiaceæ. The root is much used in the southern states and is said to be purgative and alterative.]

**STIMMI** (*στίμμι*, quo aliquid στρίβεται, densatur). *Stibium*. A substance, probably antimony, which the ancients used to apply to the eyelids, for the purpose of contracting them, and thus giving the eyes an appearance of largeness, which was considered a mark of beauty.

**STIMULANT** (*stimulus*, a goad). An agent which increases the vital activity of an organ. When this effect is produced in all the organs or functions, the agent is termed a *general stimulant*; when limited to one or two organs, a *local stimulant*; when it affects merely the part to which it is applied, it is called an *irritant*.

**STIPES.** A term applied to the stem of endogenous trees, to the stalk of the mushroom, etc.

*Stipitate.* Stalked; that which is furnished with a stalk, as the pappus of some composite plants. The term does not apply to the petiole of a leaf, or the peduncle of a flower.

**STIPULE.** A small leaf-like organ, attached to the base of the petiole of the leaf in many plants. See *Ochrea*.

*Stipulate.* Furnished with stipules; *exstipulate*, having no stipules.

**STITCH.** A spasmodic action of the muscles of the side, accompanied with pain, produced by running, etc.

**STOMACACE'** (*στόμα* the mouth, *κακός* bad). Literally, mouth disease, or canker; ulceration of the mouth, generally a symptom of scurvy.

**STOMACHIC.** A medicine which stimulates and strengthens the powers of the stomach.

[**STOMATITIS** (*στόμα*, the mouth). Inflammation of the mouth.]



[*Stomatitis, pseudomembranous.* Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the mouth, attended with the exudation of lymph on its surface.]

**STOMACHUS** (*στόμα*, a mouth, *χεω*, to pour). The stomach; an expansion of the alimentary canal, situated in the left hypochondriac region, and extending into the epigastric. The orifice communicating with the œsophagus is called the *cardia*; that communicating with the duodenum, the *pylorus*. The upper space between the two orifices is usually termed the *small curvature*; the lower space, the *large curvature* of the stomach.

**STOMATE** (*στόμα*, a mouth). An oval space, lying between the sides of the cells in the epidermis of plants, and above a cavity in the subjacent tissue.

**STONE BLUE.** This is indigo, mixed with starch or whiting.

**STONE POCK.** Tubercular tumours of the face, the *acne indurata* of Bateman.

**STORAX.** The name of various substances, some of which are produced by the *Styrax officinale*, while others are referred to a plant belonging to *Liquidamber*. Dr. Pereira notices the following varieties:—

1. *Storax in the tear.* *Styrax* in grains. Yellowish-white or reddish-yellow tears, about the size of peas. This, and *white storax*, are very rare.

2. *Amygdaloid storax.* Occurs in masses, interspersed with white tears, giving them an amygdaloid appearance. This, and white storax, were formerly imported rolled up in a monocotyledonous leaf, under the name of *cane* or *reed storax*.

3. *Reddish-brown storax.* Differs from the preceding in the absence of the white tears, and in the presence of saw-dust.

4. *Black storax.* Occurs in reddish-brown masses, apparently formed of a balsam, which has been melted and inspissated by heat with saw-dust.

5. *Liquid storax.* Usually considered as the produce of a *Liquid amber* but more recently referred to the *Styrax officinalis*.

6. *Scobs styracina.* Under this name, Dr. Pereira includes several substances sold as storax, but which are evidently fine saw-dust impregnated with a sufficiency of some resinous liquid, in some cases perhaps *liquid storax*, to give them cohesiveness. These are common storax, solid or cake storax, drop or gum storax, and hard blackish storax.

**STRABISMUS** (*στραβις*, i. q. *στρεβλός*, twisted). Squinting; an affection in

which the optic axes of the eyes are not directed to the same object. In the *convergent* form, the eye turns inward, towards the nose; in the *divergent*, it turns outward, towards the temple.

**STRAMONIUM.** Thorn-apple; a species of *Datura*, yielding an active principle called *daturia*. In some parts of Europe this plant is vulgarly called *herbe aux sorciers*, from its intoxicating effects, in which it resembles belladonna.

[**STRANGULATION.** The close constriction of a part. Thus a hernia is said to be in a state of *strangulation* when the contents of the rupture are so constricted by the margins of the opening through which they have passed as to interrupt or suspend their natural offices or functions. In *legal medicine* it means the constriction of the trachea, by a ligature around the neck; or by the application of pressure through the fingers or otherwise to the trachea.]

**STRANGURY** (*στράγγις*, a drop, *οὔρον*, urine). Discharge of the urine with pain and *by drops*; the *dysuria* of Sauvages, &c.

**STREMMMA** (*στρέψω*, to turn). A strain, or sprain, of a joint.

**STRIA.** A streak or groove. Hence the term *corpora striata*, denoting two streaky eminences in the lateral ventricle of the brain.

**STRICTURE** (*stringo*, to bind). A contracted state of some part of a tube or duct. Stricture also denotes, in *strangulated hernia*, the narrowest part of the opening through which the viscera protrude.

**STRIDOR DENTIUM.** *Brygmus*. Grinding or gnashing of the teeth.

**STRIGIL, or STRIGILIS.** A scraper or flesh-brush; an instrument used in bathing, for removing dirt or perspiration from the body.

**STRIGOSÉ.** A term applied to a surface which is covered with stiff hairs.

**STROBILE.** *Cone.* An amentiform fruit, in which the carpels are scale-like, spread open, and bear naked seeds; the scales are woody and coherent in the pine, thin and without cohesion in the hop.

**STRONTIUM.** The metallic base of Strontia, so called from Strontian, a mining village in Argyleshire.

*Strontia, strontian, or strontites.* An alkaline earth, of which the metallic base is strontium.

**STROPHIOLATE.** A term applied to the umbilicus of seeds, when they are surrounded by irregular protuberances, called *strophiolæ* or *carunculæ*.





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degree of oxidation, as in sub-sulphurous acid, or that which is intermediate between the sulphurous and hyposulphurous acids.

1. *Sub-arachnoïdean fluid*. An abundant serous secretion, situated between the arachnoïd and the pia mater.

2. *Sub-arachnoïdean space*. The space between the arachnoïd and the spinal cord.

3. *Sub-clavian*. The designation of an artery, situated under the clavicle. The *right* arises from the arteria innominata; the *left* separates from the aorta at the termination of its arch.

4. *Sub-clavius*. A muscle arising from the cartilage of the first rib, and inserted into the lower surface of the clavicle. It brings the clavicle and shoulder forwards and backwards.

5. *Sub-cutaneus*. Beneath the skin; a name of the platysma myoïdes.

6. *Sub-diaphragmatic*. The designation of a *plexus*, furnished by the solar plexus, and distributed to the diaphragm.

7. *Sub-lingual*. The name of a *gland*, situated beneath the mucous membrane of the floor of the mouth, on each side of the frænum linguæ.

8. *Sub-mastoid*. The name of a branch given off by the seventh pair of nerves, as it passes out from the stylo-mastoid foramen.

9. *Sub-maxillary*. The name of a *gland*, situated on the inner side of the ramus of the lower jaw; and of a *ganglion* which occurs on a level with the sub-maxillary gland.

10. *Sub-mental*. The name of an artery and veins running beneath the chin.

11. *Sub-resin*. The name given by Bonastre to that portion of a resin which is soluble only in boiling alcohol, and is thrown down again as the alcohol cools, forming a kind of seeming crystallizations. It is a sort of *stearine of resins*.

12. *Sub-salt*. Originally, a salt which contained an excess of base. This term now relates to atomic composition, a true *sub-salt* being that in which there is less than one atom of acid to each atom of base: thus, the *sub-carbonate* of soda is no longer a *sub-salt*, but is generally termed *carbonate* of soda.

13. *Sub-scapularis*. A muscle arising from all the internal surface of the scapula, and inserted into the humerus. It pulls the arm backwards and downwards.

14. *Sub-sternal*. The name of the lymphatics beneath the sternum.

15. *Sub-sultus* (*salio*, to leap). Twitch

ings; sudden and irregular snatches of the tendons.

16. *Sub-tepidus* (*tepidus*, warm), Luke-warm. In this term, the preposition diminishes the quality.

17. *Sub-uberes* (*ubera*, the breasts). A term applied to children during the period of suckling, in contra-distinction to those who have been weaned, or the *ex-uberes*.

SUBER. The species of *Quercus*, or Oak, which yields the *cork* of commerce.

1. *Suberic acid*. A crystalline acid, obtained by the action of nitric acid on cork.

2. *Suberin*. The name applied by Chevreul to cork, when deprived of the substances which are taken up by water, alcohol, and ether.

SUBLIMATION. The process by which volatile substances are raised by heat, and again condensed into the solid form; it is, in fact, dry distillation. The substances so obtained are called *sublimates*.

SUBLIMIS. A designation of the flexor digitorum communis muscle, from its being more superficial than the flexor profundus.

SUBSTANTIA (*substo*, to stand one's ground). Substance or matter.

1. *Substantia perforata antica*. A whitish substance, situated at the inner extremity of the fissure of Sylvius, and perforated by numerous openings for vessels.

2. *Substantia perforata media*. A white substance at the bottom of a triangular cavity between the crura cerebri, perforated by several apertures for vessels.

SUBSTANTIVE. A term applied by Dr. Paris to those medicinal agents which possess an inherent and independent activity. Those which are in themselves inert, but are capable of imparting impulse and increased energy to the former, when combined with them, are termed *adjective constituents*.

SUBULATE. Awl-shaped; linear, tapering to a fine point, as the leaves of ulex.

SUCCEDANEUM (*succedo*, to follow after). A medicine substituted for another.

SUCCENTURIA'TUS (one who supplies the place of another, from *succenturio* [sub, centurio], the substitute of a centurion). Supplementary; the former name of the pyramidal muscles of the abdomen, and of the supra-renal capsules.

SUCCINIC ACID (*succinum*, amber). An acid derived from the distillation of



amber, and found also in the resin of some Coniferous plants.]

**SUCCUS.** Juice; the expressed liquor of a fruit or plant.

*Succus spissatus.* Inspissated juice, prepared by expressing the juices from fresh plants, and evaporating them in a water-bath.

*Succulent.* Very cellular and juicy.

**SUCCUSSION.** A mode of exploring the chest, by forcibly shaking the patient's body, and observing the sounds which are thereby produced, as in pneumothorax, &c.

**SUCKER.** *Surculus.* A term applied in botany to a modification of the aerial stem, consisting of a branch which proceeds from the neck of a plant beneath the surface of the ground, and becomes erect as soon as it emerges from the earth, producing leaves and branches, and subsequently roots. It has been termed *soboles*.

**SUCTION** (*sugo*, to suck). The act of sucking; a term applied to the raising of liquids through a tube, by means of a piston, which lifts and sustains the weight of the atmosphere from that part of the well which is covered with the tube, leaving it to press on the other parts of the surface.

**SUCTORIA** (*sugo*, to suck). The third class of the *Diplo-neura*, or Helminthoïda, comprising the *entozoa*; and a few other similar helminthoid animals, which have their mouth adapted for sucking fluid aliment.

**SUDOR** (*sudo*, to sweat). Sweat; the vapour which passes through the skin, and condenses on the surface of the body.

1. *Sudor Anglicus.* The sweating fever; a contagious pestilential fever of one day, which appeared in England in the 15th and 16th centuries.

2. *Sudorifics* (*fio*, to become). Medicines which occasion sweating.

3. *Sudamina.* Miliaria; vesicles resembling millet-seeds, appearing in puerperal fever, typhus, &c.

4. *Sudatorium.* The hot-air bath. At a temperature of 85°, profuse perspiration is produced.

5. *Sudoriferous canals.* Minute spiral follicles, distributed over the whole surface of the skin, for the secretion of the sweat.

**SUFFI'TUS** (*suffio*, to fumigate). Fumes of burning substances, used for inhalation, as tar fumes. See *Halitus*.

[**SUFFOCATION** (*sub*, under, *fauz*, the throat). Arrest of the respiratory

function, by any cause which operates independently of external pressure.]

**SUFFRUTEX.** An under-shrub; a plant which differs from the *frutex*, or shrub, in its perishing annually, either wholly or in part; and from the *herb*, in having branches of a woody texture, which frequently exist more than one year, as in the tree *Mignonette*.

**SUFFUSION** (*suffundo*, to pour down; so called because the ancients supposed opacity to be caused by something running under the crystalline humour). A term employed by Celsus, &c., to denote generally imperfection or loss of sight, whether arising from cataract or from affection of the nervous structure. The latter has sometimes been called *suffusio nigra*, or *cataracta nigra*, from the natural blackness of the pupil. The *ὕπὸχυμα*, or *ὕπὸχυσις*, of the earlier Greek writers, includes amaurosis and cataract; the latter was afterwards called *γλαύκωμα*.

**SUGAR.** A general term for several substances which agree in having a sweet taste, but differ in other respects. See *Saccharum*.

**SUGILLATION** (*sugillo*, to discolour the skin by a blow). Ecchymosis, or extravasation of blood.

**SULCUS.** A groove or furrow; generally applied to bones. The depressions by which the convolutions of the brain are separated, are termed *sulci*, or furrows. See *Anfractus*.

**SULPHAMIDE.** A compound containing the radical sulphurous acid, combined with amidogen. See *Amides*.

**SULPHAS.** A sulphate. A combination of sulphuric acid with a base.

1. *Sulphas potassæ.* Formerly called *kali vitriolatum*, vitriolated tartar, *sal de duobus*, *arcanum duplicatum*, &c.

2. *Sulphas ferri.* Commonly called green vitriol or copperas; formerly *sal martis*, *ferrum vitriolatum*, &c.

3. *Sulphas sodæ.* Formerly called vitriolated natron, *sal mirabile*; and now Glauber's salt.

4. *Sulphas zinci.* Commonly called white vitriol, white copperas, vitriolated zinc, &c.

5. *Sulphas calcis.* Selenite, anhydrite, gypsum, plaster of Paris, or alabaster.

6. *Sulphas magnesiæ.* Formerly called vitriolated magnesia, *sal catharticus amarus*; and now Epsom salt.

7. *Sulphas ammoniæ.* Formerly called by Glauber, *secret ammoniacal salt*.

8. *Sulphas barytæ.* Formerly called vitriolated heavy spar, *cawk*, &c.

9. *Sulphas cupri.* Commonly called



blue stone, blue vitriol, mortooth, lapis cœruleus, Roman vitriol, &c.

**SULPHATOXYGEN.** According to the new view of compound radicals, this body is the *sulphate radical* of sulphate of soda, the oxygen of the soda being referred to the acid; its compounds are termed *sulphatoxides*.

**SULPHO-SALTS.** These are merely double sulphurets, in the constitution of which Berzelius has traced a close analogy to salts.

**SULPHOLEIC ACID.** A double acid, consisting of oleic acid and concentrated sulphuric acid.

**SULPHOVINIC ACID.** The name given by Vogel to an acid, or class of acids, which may be obtained by digesting alcohol and sulphuric acid together with heat. It seems probable that this acid is merely the hypo-sulphuric, combined with a peculiar oily matter.

**SULPHUR.** *Brimstone.* A crystallized, hard, brittle substance, dug up in some parts of Italy and Sicily, and manufactured in this country by roasting the sulphuret of iron or *martial pyrites*.

1. *Sulphur crudum.* Rough or crude sulphur, the result of the distillation of native sulphur.

2. *Sulphur rotundum.* Stick, roll, or cane sulphur; refined sulphur, which has been cast into wooden moulds, and is hence also called *sulphur in baculis*.

3. *Sulphur sublimatum.* Sublimated sulphur, commonly termed *flowers of sulphur*, from its occurring in the form of a bright yellow powder.

4. *Sulphur vivum.* The dregs remaining after the purification of sulphur, also called sulphur caballinum, horse-brimstone, &c.

5. *Sulphur præcipitatum.* Precipitated sulphur, commonly called *milk of sulphur*; a white hydrate, consisting of sulphur and a little water.

6. *Oleum sulphuratum.* Sulphurated oil, or balsam of sulphur, prepared by dissolving sublimed sulphur in olive oil.

7. *Alcohol of sulphur.* The former absurd name of bi-sulphuret of carbon.

8. *Sulphuric acid.* An acid produced by the burning of sulphur, mixed with nitrate of potash. It was formerly called *oil of vitriol*, because it was distilled from a substance of mineral origin, called *vitriol* on account of its imperfect resemblance to green glass. This acid, when obtained in the latter way, emits white vapours on exposure to the air, and is hence called *fuming sulphuric acid*.

9. *Sulphurous acid.* The fluid formed

by the vapour of sulphur imbibed by water. It was formerly called volatile sulphurous acid, and, from the old mode of preparing it, *spirit of sulphur by the bell*.

10. *Sulphuretum.* A sulphuret; a combination of sulphur with a base.

11. *Sulphuretted hydrogen.* Hydro-sulphuric acid; a noxious gas, consisting of hydrogen and sulphur vapour.

12. *Sulph-indilic acid.* A blue acid, formed by the action of sulphuric acid upon indigo. The purple substance which appears during the reaction is called *sulpho-purpuric acid*.

13. *Sulpho-cetic acid.* An acid formed by heating sulphuric acid in contact with ethal, in a water-bath, and agitating the mixture.

14. *Sulpho-glyceric acid.* An acid obtained by acting upon glycerine, the sweet principle of oils, with sulphuric acid.

**SULPHUREOUS WATERS.** *Hepatic waters.* Mineral waters impregnated with hydro-sulphuric acid.

**SULPHUR LOZENGES.** Sublimed sulphur one part, sugar eight parts, tragacanth mucilage q. s.; used in asthma and in hæmorrhoids.

**SUPER.** A Latin preposition, signifying *on, upon, beyond*.

1. *Super-cilium* (*cilium*, the eyelid). The eyebrow; the projecting arch of integument, covered with short hairs, which forms the upper boundary of the orbit.

2. *Super-ficial* (*facies*, the face, or the outer surface). That which is upon the surface, as the *fascia* which is placed, beneath the integument, over every part of the body.

3. *Super-ficialis volæ.* The name of a branch of the radial artery, which is distributed to the muscles and integuments of the *vola*, or palm.

4. *Super-fætation.* Literally, the impregnation of a person already pregnant. This is a term formerly applied to a supposed subsequent conception, in cases in which a dead and apparently premature fœtus is discharged with a living one at a common birth.

**SUPERBUS.** A name sometimes given to the levator menti, and to the rectus superior, from the expression of *pride* which the action of these muscles imparts.

**SUPERIOR.** A term applied to the fruit when it has no cohesion with the calyx, the latter being then termed the *inferior*. Contrariwise, a cohering calyx is termed superior, the invested fruit being then termed inferior.





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to maintain them in their proper situation, as in the union of most of the bones of the face.

III. *Sutures, distinguished according to their situation on the skull.*

1. *Coronal suture*, which passes transversely over the skull, and is named from its being situated at that part of the head upon which the *corona*, or crown, given to the conquerors in the games, was formerly placed.

2. *Sagittal suture*, which passes from the middle of the superior margin of the frontal to the angle of the occipital bone, and is named from its *arrow-like* or straight course. It is sometimes continued down the frontal bone to the nose; this part is then named the *frontal suture*.

3. *Lambdoidal suture*, which begins at the termination of the sagittal suture, and extends on each side to the base of the cranium; it is named from its resemblance to the Greek  $\Lambda$ , *lambda*. The small separate bones, which sometimes occur in this suture, have been called *ossa triquetra*, or *Wormiana*.

4. *Squamous suture*, which joins the superior portions of the temporal bones to the parietals, and is so named from its *scaly* overlapping appearance. Near the occipital angle it loses this character, and is termed *additamentum suturæ squamosæ*.

SUTURE, IN BOTANY (*suo* to sew).

A term applied to the junction of the valves of a simple carpel, as the legume. The junction corresponding to the margins of the carpellary leaf, is called the *ventral suture*; that which corresponds to the midrib of the carpellary leaf, is the *dorsal suture*.

SUTURE IN SURGERY (*suo*, to sew).

The union of the edges of a wound by stitches, according to the following modes:—

1. *Interrupted Suture*. So named from the interspaces between the stitches. The needle is carried from without, inwards to the bottom, and so on from within outwards.

2. *Uninterrupted, or Glover's Suture*. The needle is introduced first into one lip of the wound from within outwards, then into the other in the same way; and so on for the whole track.

3. *Quilled, or Compound Suture*. This is merely the interrupted suture, with this difference, that the ligatures are not tied over the face of the wound, but over two quills, or rolls of plaster, or bougies, which are laid along the sides of the wound.

4. *Twisted Suture*. Generally used in the operation for hare-lip, &c. Two pins being introduced through the edges of the wound, the thread is repeatedly wound round the ends of the pins, from one side of the division to the other, first transversely, then obliquely, from the right or left end of one pin, to the opposite end of the other, &c.

5. *False or Dry Suture*. "In the *sutura sicca*, so called in opposition to the *sutura cruenta*, where blood followed the needle, some adhesive plaster was spread on linen, having a selvage; a piece of this was applied along each side of the wound (the selvages being opposed to each other), and then drawn together by sewing them with a common needle, without bloodshed.—*Carwardine*.

SWEET SPITTLE. *Dulcedo sputorum* of Frank. An increased secretion of saliva, distinguished by a sweet taste.

[SWIETENIA FEBRIFUGA. An East Indian tree of the family Meliaceæ, the bark of which possesses tonic properties, and is much used in India as a substitute for Peruvian bark.]

SWIETENIA MAHAGONI. The Mahogany tree, a native of the hotter parts of America. The bark is used in the West Indies, as a substitute for Peruvian bark, but is inferior to it.

SYCONUS. An aggregate fruit, consisting of a fleshy rachis, having the form of a flattened disk, or of a hollow receptacle, with distinct flowers and dry pericarps, as in the fig, the dorstenia, &c.

SYCO'SIS (*σῦκον*, a fig). *Mentagra*. An eruption of inflamed, fleshy, darkish-red tubercles on the bearded portion of the face, and on the scalp; gregarious; often coalescing: discharge partial and sanious. The disease is named from the granulated and prominent surface of the ulceration which ensues, and which somewhat resembles the soft inside pulp of a fig.

SYLVIC ACID. One of the acids composing colophony, or resin of turpentine; the other is called *pinic acid*. The former is also called *alpha-resin*, the latter *beta-resin*.

SYMBOLS, CHEMICAL. An abbreviated mode of expressing the composition of bodies. The elementary substances, instead of being written at full length, are indicated by the first letter of their names, a second letter being employed when more than one substance begins with the same letter,—thus C stands for carbon, Al for aluminium, As for Arsenic, &c.



[**SYMPHYTUM OFFICINALE.** Comfrey. A European plant of the family Boraginæ, the root of which contains a great abundance of mucilage, and a little tannin, and has been much used as a demulcent. It is given in decoction.]

[**SYMPLOCARPUS FÆTIDUS.** Barton. *Dracontium fœtidum.* See *Dracontium.*]

**SYN-** (σύν). A preposition, signifying *with, together, &c.*—N. B. For the sake of euphony, the final *n* of the preposition is changed into *m*, before the labials *b, m, p, ph, ps, &c.*; into *s, l, r*, before those letters; and is entirely omitted when followed by two consonants, or a double one. Hence we have—

1. *Sym-blepharon* (βλέφαρον, the eyelid). A connexion of the lid to the globe of the eye.

2. *Sym-metry* (μέτρον, a measure). The exact and harmonious proportion of the different parts of the body.

3. *Sym-pathetic ink.* A solution of chloride of cobalt. The characters made on paper with this preparation, when dry, will be invisible; on being held to the fire, the writing will assume a bright blue or green colour; as the paper cools, the colour will again disappear, in consequence of its absorbing moisture from the air; and the phenomenon may be reproduced many times in succession.

4. *Sym-pathetic nerve.* A nerve consisting of a chain of ganglia, extending along the side of the vertebral column from the head to the coccyx, communicating with all the other nerves of the body, and supposed to produce a *sympathy* between the affections of different parts.

5. *Sym-pathy* (πάθος, affection). The consent, or suffering together, of parts. Thus, pain is felt at the termination of the urethra in calculus of the bladder; vomiting is produced by irritating the fauces; vascular action is induced in the kidney on the application of cold to the skin; &c.

6. *Sym-phoresis* (φορέω, to carry). Congestion. In the present day we speak of "simple vascular irritation," which is likewise termed *active congestion*.

7. *Sym-physis* (φύω, to grow). The growing together, or connexion of bones, which have no manifest motion, as the symphysis pubis. Hence, *symphysiotomy* is the operation of dividing the symphysis pubis.

8. *Sym-ptom* (πτῶμα from πίπτω, to fall).

A sign or mark by which a disease is characterized.

9. *Sym-ptomatology* (σύμπτωμα, a symptom, λόγος, a description). That branch of medicine which treats of the diagnosis, or symptoms of diseases.

10. *Syn-antherous* (anther). Growing together by the anthers. See *Syngenesious*.

11. *Syn-arthritis* (ἄρθρον, a joint). That form of articulation in which the bones are intimately and *immovably* connected together. See *Articulation*.

12. *Syn-carpous* (καρπός, fruit). A term applied to the carpels of a plant, when they cohere together, as in Poppy. When distinct from each other, they are called *apocarpous*, as in *Ranunculus*.

13. *Syn-chondrosis* (χόνδρος, cartilage). Articulation by means of intervening cartilage.

14. *Syn-chronous* (χρόνος, time). That which occurs in equal times, as the strokes of the pulse; a term synonymous with *isochronous*.

15. *Syn-chysis* (συγχύω, to confound or dissolve). Literally, a confusion, or a melting; a term applied to the confusion of the humours of the eye, from blows, attended with rupture of the internal membranes and capsules; or to the conversion of the vitreous humours into a fluid state.

16. *Syn-clonus* (κλόνος, agitation). Multiplied, or compound agitation; a species of *spasm*.

17. *Syn-cope* (συγκόπτω, to cut down). *Leipothymia*; *animideliquium*. Fainting or swoon; a sudden suspension of the heart's action, accompanied by cessation of the functions of the organs of respiration, internal and external sensation, and voluntary motion.

18. *Syn-desmology* (σύνδεσμος, a ligament, λόγος, a description). A description of ligaments.

19. *Syn-desmosis* (σύνδεσμος, a ligament; from σύν, together, and δέω, to bind). The connexion of bones by ligament.

20. *Syn-echia* (ἔχω, to hold). Literally, an adhesion; that of the uvea to the crystalline capsule is called *synechia posterior*; that of the iris to the cornea, *synechia anterior*.

21. *Syn-genesious* (γένεσις, generation). A term applied to anthers which grow together by their margin, as in the *Compositæ*. A better term is *syn-antherous*.

22. *Syn-izesis* (συνίζω, to coalesce). *Con-sidentia pupillæ*. *Atresia iridis*. Collapse of the pupil.

23. *Syn-neurosis* (νεῦρον, a nerve). The



connexion of bones by ligament, formerly mistaken for nerve.

24. *Syn-ochus* (συνέχω, to continue). Continued fever; the common fever of this climate. The milder form has been termed *synochus mitior*; the more intense *synochus gravior*. See *Febris*.

25. *Syn-ovia* (ὠὸν, an egg). A peculiar liquid found within the capsular ligaments of the joints, which it lubricates. The term is of obscure origin, and appears to have been employed by Paracelsus to designate a disease; or it may have been applied to the fluid in question, from its resemblance to the albumen of egg. It has been termed unguen articulaire, axungia articularis, &c.

26. *Syn-thesis* (σύν, together, θέσις, position). A generic term in surgery, formerly comprehending every operation by which parts, which had been divided, were re-united. Also, the anatomical connexion of the bones of the skeleton. And, in chemistry, it signifies the formation of any body from its elements; as opposed to *analysis*, or the resolution of a body into its component parts.

27. *Sys-sarcosis* (σάρξ, σαρκός, flesh). The connexion of bones by muscle, as of the os hyoides.

28. *Sy-stole* (συστέλλω, to contract). The contraction of the heart, auricles, and arteries; opposed to *diastole*, or their dilatation.

**SYNAPTASE.** A peculiar matter obtained from the sweet and the bitter almond.

**SYPHILIS.** *Lues Venerea*. The Venereal Disease; vulgarly called *Pox*, formerly *Great Pox*, as distinguished from *Variola*, or *Small-pox*.

*Syphiloid disease*, or bastard pox, comprehends many affections resembling *sypphilis*, but differing in the progress of their symptoms, and the means of cure.

**SYRIGMUS** (συρίσσω, to hiss). Ringing, or tinkling; a sharp, shrill, continuous sound.

[**SYRINGA VULGARIS.** Common Lilac. The leaves and fruit of this well known garden plant belonging to the family *Jasminæ*, are said to be tonic and febrifuge, and are used in France for the cure of intermittent fever.]

**SYRU'PUS.** A syrup. A solution of sugar in water, in watery infusions, or vegetable juices; the proportions are generally two parts of sugar to one of the fluid.

*Syrupus domesticus*. A name given, in the time of Sydenham, to the syrup of buckthorn, from its extensive use as a medicine for children.

[The following are the officinal syrups of the Ph. U. S., with the mode of preparing them:—

[1. *Syrupus*. Ph. U. S. Refined sugar, lbijss.; water, Oj. Dissolve the sugar in the water with the aid of heat, remove any scum which may form, and strain the solution while hot.

[2. *Syr. allii*. Fresh garlic sliced, ℥vj.; distilled vinegar, Oj.; refined sugar, lbij. Macerate the garlic in the vinegar, in a glass vessel for four days; then express the liquor, and set it by that the dregs may subside; lastly, add the sugar to the clear liquor, and proceed in the manner directed for syrup. P. U. S. Useful in chronic catarrhal affections, particularly in children. Dose for a child a year old, a teaspoonful.

[3. *Syr. Amygdalæ*. Syrup of almonds; syrup of orgeat. Sweet almonds, blanched, lbj.; bitter almonds, do, ℥iv.; Water, Oij.; sugar, lbvj. Rub the almonds in a marble mortar into a fine paste, adding during the trituration three fluid ounces of the water, and a pound of the sugar. Mix the paste thoroughly with the remainder of the water, strain with strong expression, add the remainder of the sugar to the strained liquor and dissolve it, with the aid of a gentle heat. Strain through fine linen, allow to cool, and then preserve in well closed bottles in a cool place. P. U. S. Orange-flower water, in the quantity of half a pint is an agreeable and useful addition. It is demulcent, nutritious, and slightly sedative.

[4. *Syr. Aurantii corticis*. Syrup of orange-peel. Orange-peel, bruised, ℥ij.; boiling water, Oj.; refined sugar, lbijss. Macerate the orange-peel in the water in a covered vessel for twelve hours, and strain: then add the sugar. P. U. S. Stomachic.

[5. *Syr. Ipecacuanhæ*. Syrup of Ipecacuanha. Macerate, Ipecacuanha, in coarse powder, ℥j., for fourteen days in diluted alcohol, Oj., and filter. Evaporate the filtered liquor to f℥ij., and again filter; then mix with syrup, Oij., and evaporate by means of a water bath to the proper consistence. P. U. S. Emetic and expectorant. Dose for an adult (emet.), f℥j. to f℥ij. For a child one or two years old from f℥j. to f℥ij.

[6. *Syr. Kramericæ*. Syrup of rhatany. Extract of rhatany, ℥ij.; dissolve in water, Oj.; and filter; then add sugar lbijss. P. U. S. Astringent. Dose for an adult, f℥ss; for a child 1 or 2 years old, gtt. xv. to gtt. xx.

[7. *Syr. Limonis*. Syrup of lemons.





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**T BANDAGE.** The peculiar bandage of the body, so named from its resemblance to the letter T. There is also a *double T* bandage, which has two perpendicular pieces sowed to the transverse one.

**TABACI FOLIA.** Tobacco; the dried leaves of the *Nicotiana tabacum*. The specific name is perhaps derived from *tabac*, an instrument used in America for smoking tobacco; by some it is derived from *Tobago*, or from *Tabasco*, a town in New Spain.

**TABASHEER.** A siliceous substance found in the joints of the bamboo, sometimes fluid, but generally in a concreted state. In foreign countries it is termed *bamboo milk*, salt of bamboo, and bamboo camphor. The word is derived from the Persian *schér*, or the Sanscrit *kschirum*, signifying milk.

**TABELLA** (dim. of *tabula*, a table). A tablette, or lozenge.

**TABES.** Literally, a wasting or melting; hence applied to consumption, and other emaciating diseases.

1. *Tabes dorsalis*. Decline, from intemperate indulgence in libidinous pleasures, so called from the weakness which it causes in the back or loins.

2. *Tabes mesenterica*. Mesenteric disease; tuberculous disease of the abdomen, &c. It has been termed by Sauvages, *scrofula mesenterica*, as indicative of scrofulous diathesis, and of the organs in which it appears; and by the French, *carreau*, which seems to refer to the hard and cushion-like prominence of the abdomen; it has also been termed *entero-mesenterite*.

3. *Tabes saturnina*. *Tabes sicca*. Wasting of the body produced by lead.

**TABULA VITREA.** The glassy table; a term applied to the dense internal plate of the skull.

**TACAMAHAÇA.** A resin procured from the *Calophyllum Calaba*, a Guttiferous plant of the East Indies; it has been termed *oleum mariæ*, green balsam, &c.

**TÆNIA.** The Tape-worm; an intestinal worm. See *Vermis*.

**TÆNIA** (*τείνω*, to stretch). A ligature; a long and narrow riband.

1. *Tænia hippocampi*. *Tænia fimbriata*; or the plaited edges of the processes

of the fornix, which pass into the inferior cornua of the ventricles of the brain.

2. *Tænia semicircularis*. A white line running between the convex surface of the optic thalami and the corpora striata.

3. *Tænia Tarini*. A yellowish 'horny band,' which lies over the vena corporis striata, first noticed by Tarinus. It is a thickening of the lining membrane of the ventricle.

**TAFIA.** *Cane spirit*. A spirit obtained, by distillation from the fermented juice of the sugar-cane.

**TAHITI ARROW-ROOT.** *Otaheite salep*. A nutritious fecula, prepared from the root of the *Tacca pinnatifida*, a native of the Molucca isles, and of the islands of the Pacific Ocean.

**TALC.** A foliated mineral, nearly allied to mica, and sometimes used as a substitute for glass.

**TALIACOTIAN OPERATION.** A mode of forming a new nose from the integuments of the forehead, or from the arm, &c. of another person. The statue of Gaspar Taliacotius stands in the anatomical theatre at Bononia, holding a nose in his hand.

**TALIPES** (*talus*, the ankle, *pes*, foot). Club-foot; a distortion of the feet, occasioned by the balance of the action of muscles being destroyed. See *Clubfoot*.

**TALLICOONAH** or **KUNDAH OIL.** The oil procured from the seeds of the *Carapa Toulouconna*, a tree growing abundantly in Sierra Leone, much esteemed as an anthelmintic.

**TALLOW.** Animal fat, melted, and separated from the fibrous matter mixed with it. There are the white and yellow *candle tallow*, and the common and Siberian *soap tallow*.

**TALPA.** Literally, a mole. Hence, it is a tumour under the skin, compared to a mole under the ground. Sometimes it signifies an encysted tumour on the head.

**TALUS.** Literally, a die, or a hucklebone, with which a game of dice was played. Hence the term is used for the *astragalus*, a bone of the tarsus resembling an ancient die.

**TAMARINDI PULPA.** The pulp or preserved fruit of the *Tamarindus Indica*, a Leguminous plant, named from the terms *tamar*, a date, and *Indus*, in reference to its Indian origin.



**TANACETUM VULGARE.** Common Tansy; a European Composite plant, occasionally used for culinary purposes, and for making *tansy tea*. It contains an acid, called *tanacetic acid*.

**TANGHICIN.** *Tangin-camphor*. The active principle of the poisonous kernel of the *Cerbera Tanghin*, an Apocynaceous plant of Madagascar.

**TANNIC ACID.** An acid occurring in the bark of all the varieties of *Quercus* and many other trees, and in gall-nuts, from which it is procured in greatest purity. What is commonly called *tannin* is tannic acid mixed with some foreign matters.

1. *Artificial tannin*. Produced by the action of nitric acid on charcoal, or on substances containing charcoal.

2. *Tanno-gelatin*. A yellow flocculent precipitate, caused by a mixture of tannic acid with a solution of gelatine. It is the essential basis of leather, being always formed when skins are macerated in an infusion of bark.

**TANTALUM.** A metal found in the Swedish minerals *tantalite* and *yttrantalite*, and named on account of the insolubility of its oxide in acids, in allusion to the fable of Tantalus. It is identical with Columbium.

**TAPETUM** (*τάπητος*, tapestry). Literally, a cloth wrought with various colours; a term applied by some anatomists to the inner surface of the choroid, and, by Bell, to that portion which has also been known as the *tunica Ruyschiana*. Mr. Dalrymple denies that any such structure occurs in the human eye.

**TAPIOCA.** A fecula prepared from the root of the *Janipha Manihot*. There are two kinds, viz. the *granular tapioca*, occurring in lumps or granules; and *tapioca meal*, a white amylaceous powder, supposed to be identical with *Brazilian arrow-root*.

**TAPPING.** The operation of puncturing the abdomen, and drawing off the fluid, in dropsy. See *Paracentesis*.

**TAR.** A thick, black, unctuous substance, chiefly obtained from the pine, and other turpentine trees, by burning them in a close smothering heat.

*Tar-water*. A once celebrated remedy, made by infusing tar in water, stirring it from time to time, and, lastly, pouring off the clear liquor, now impregnated with the colour and virtues of the tar.

**TARANTISMUS** (*tarantula*, an animal whose bite is supposed to be cured only by music). The dancing produced by the bite of the tarantula; an affection,

described by Sauvages, which appears to constitute a form of chorea.

[**TARANTULA.** A species of venomous spider, the bite of which was said to be cured by music.]

**TARAXACUM.** The root of the *Leontodon Taraxacum*, or Dandelion, a plant of the order Compositæ.

*Taraxacine*. A crystallizable substance extracted from the milky Juice of the above plant.

**TARAXIS** (*ταράσσω*, to confound). A slight inflammation of the eye.

**TARRAS, or TERRAS.** A volcanic earth, found in Germany and Sweden, and used as a cement.

**TARSUS.** The instep; the space between the bones of the leg and the metatarsus. Also, the thin cartilage situated at the edges of the eyelids.

[*Tarsal*. Relating to the tarsus.]

**TARTAR EMETIC.** Tartrate of antimony and potass. See *Antimony*.

**TARTAR OF THE TEETH.** The popular name for a concretion which encrusts the teeth. It appears to be a deposit from the saliva.

**TARTAREOUS MOSS.** The *Lecanora tartarea*, a cryptogamic plant, of the order *Algaceæ*, which yields the *red* and *blue cudbear*. In Holland, *litmus* is prepared from this plant.

**TARTARIC ACID.** An acid existing in many fruits, and in several roots, but prepared only from the juice of the grape, in which it occurs in the form of *tartar*, or bi-tartrate of potash.

1. *Para-tartaric acid*. An acid contained in the cream of tartar of the wines of the Vosges.

2. *Tartralic acid*. The first modification of tartaric acid, when exposed to a temperature of about 342°. The second modification is called *tartrelic acid*. The paratartaric acid undergoes similar modifications by exposure to heat.

3. *Tartro-vinic acid*. Obtained by boiling tartaric acid with absolute alcohol.

4. *Tartro-carbydric acid*. Obtained by treating pyroxylic, or wood spirit, with tartaric acid. See *Carbydrogen*.

5. *Tartras*. A tartrate; a salt formed by the union of *tartaric acid* with a base. The Edinburgh Pharmacopœia formerly made use of the term *tartris*, or tartrite.

**TARTARUM.** Tartar, or the bi-tartrate of potash; a salt which precipitates during the fermentation of wine, owing to its insolubility in alcohol. In the crude state, it is called *argol*; when purified, it is termed *cream of tartar*.



1. *Serum lactis tartarizatum*. Cream of tartar whey; prepared by adding about two drachms of the bi-tartrate to a pint of milk.

2. *Oleum tartari per deliquium*. A liquid procured by exposing carbonate of potash, called salt of tartar, to the air; it attracts water, and changes its form.

TAURIN (*taurus*, an ox). A neutral substance, derived from unprepared ox-bile.

TAXIS (*τάσσω*, to put in order). The operation of reducing a hernia with the hand.

TEA OIL. An oil procured from the seeds of the *Camellia oleifera* of China, by expression. The Chinese term it *cha yew*, which signifies *tea oil*.

TEARS. The peculiar fluid which lubricates the eye. This term denotes, *in chemistry*, any fluid falling in drops, as gums or resins, exuding in the form of tears.

TEEL SEEDS. The produce of the *Sesamum orientale*, an Indian plant of the order *Pedaliaceæ*. The seeds yield a bland fixed oil, called *gingilic oil*.

TEGUMENT (*tego*, to cover). A covering of the body, as the cuticle, &c.

TELA. A web of cloth; a term applied to *web-like* tissues.

1. *Tela cellulosa vel mucosa*. The cellular tissues of organized bodies. It occurs in all parts of the animal body in general, and is termed *intermedia vel laxa*; it surrounds all the organs, and is then called *stricta*; penetrates into their interstices, and is then designated *stipata*; and is the basis of all, serving in one sense to unite, and in another to separate them, and is then named *organica vel parenchymalis*. It has been supposed to consist merely of mucus.

2. *Tela adiposa*. The adipose tissue of animals, consisting of an aggregation of microscopic vesicles, grouped together, and connected by laminar cellular tissue. It is the reservoir of the fat. See *Tissue*.

3. *Tela araneorum*. Spider's web, or cobweb; employed as a styptic, and internally, in America, in intermittents.

4. *Tela choroïdea*. A membranous prolongation of the pia mater in the third ventricle; it is also called *velum interpositum*.

[TELANGIECTASIS (*τηλε*, remote, *αγγειον*, vessel. *εκτασις*, dilatation). *Nævus maternus*. Aneurism from Anastomosis. Dilatation of vessels remote from the heart.]

TELLURIUM (*tellus*, the earth). A

rare metal, of a brilliant silvery-white lustre.

TEMPERAMENT (*tempero*, to mix together, to temper). *Crisis*. A mixture or tempering of elements; a notion founded on an ancient doctrine of four qualities, supposed to *temper* each other; these are, in the abstract, hot, cold, dry, moist; in the concrete, fire, air, earth, water. Thus we have—

1. The *Sanguine* or *Sanguineous* temperament, indicative of the predominance of the sanguineous system; supposed to be characterized by a full habit, soft skin, ruddy complexion, blue eyes, red or auburn hair (the *flavus* of the Romans, and the yellow-haired of the Scotch), frequent pulse, large veins, and vivid sensations.

2. The *Melancholic*, or atrabilarious temperament. This is described as existing in a firmer and thinner frame than in the preceding case, with a dark complexion, black hair, and a slow circulation; the nervous system is less easily moved; the disposition is grave and meditative (*meditabundus*. Gregory).

3. The *Choleric*, or bilious temperament. This is intermediate between the two preceding, and is marked by black curling hair, dark eyes, a swarthy, and at the same time ruddy, complexion, a thick, rough, hairy skin, and a strong and full pulse.

4. The *Phlegmatic*, or pituitous temperament. This differs from all the preceding in the laxity of the skin, the lighter colour of the hair, and the greater sluggishness of the faculties both of animal and physical life.

TEMPERATURE (*tempero*, to mix various things in due proportions). The comparative degree of active heat accumulated in a body, as measured by an instrument, or by its effects on other bodies.

TEMPERING. The operation of heating iron to a certain extent, indicated by the colour presented on the surface of the metal.

TEMPORA (pl. of *tempus*, time). The temples, or that part of the head on which the hair generally begins to turn gray, thus indicating *the age*.

*Temporalis*. A muscle arising from the temporal fossa and the semicircular line bounding it, and inserted into the upper part of the coronoid process of the lower jaw. It draws the lower jaw upward.

TENACITY (*teneo*, to hold). The degree of force with which the particles of





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hours, the paroxysm generally commencing about noon, and usually remaining under twelve hours. It occasionally exhibits the *catenating* and *protracted* varieties. See *Quotidian*.

**TERTIUM SAL** (*tertius*, third). A neutral salt, so named from its constituting a *third* body, different from the acid and the alkali which compose it.

**TEST** (*testis*, a witness). A re-agent; a substance which, being added to another substance, *tests* or distinguishes its chemical nature or composition.

*Test paper*. Paper dipped several times in a filtered infusion of litmus, and dried after each immersion, until it is of a deep purple colour.

**TESTA**. A shell. The shell of the *Ostrea edulis*, or Oyster.

1. *Testæ præparatæ*. Prepared shells. The shells are to be well cleaned with boiling water, and then treated as in the preparation of chalk.

2. *Testa*, in *Botany*. A general term for the integuments of the seed, from its frequently presenting a glossy, *shell-like* appearance. The term is sometimes limited to the outermost of these integuments.

**TESTIS** (literally, a witness, quasi *testis virilitatis*). *Orchis*. A testicle; the designation of two glandular bodies, also called *didymi*, situated in the scrotum.

1. *Testes muliebres*. A former designation of the ovaries in women.

2. Of the *Tubercula quadragemina* of the brain, the two upper are named the *nates*; the two lower, the *testes*.

**TESTUDO**. Literally, a shell-crab, or tortoise. A term under which Vogel has described a species of wen, or cyst, containing a fluid, which readily hardens into horn or nail.

[**TETANIC**. Appertaining to tetanus.]

**TETANUS** (*τείνω*, to stretch). Literally, *stretched* or *stiff*, but used substantively for contraction of the muscles of voluntary motion, attended with tension and rigidity of the parts affected. Its varieties are founded on the particular manner in which the body is bent:—

1. *Trismus* or *Locked Jaw*, in which the effects are confined to the flexor muscles of the jaw or throat.

2. *Tetanus*, in which all the body is affected, and becomes rigid, but retains its ordinary straightness; its effects are confined to the posterior and anterior muscles.

3. *Emprosthotonos*, in which the body

is bent forward; tetanus of the *flexor* muscles.

4. *Opisthotonos*, in which the body is bent backwards; tetanus of the *extensor* muscles.

5. *Pleurosthotonos*, in which the body is drawn to one side; this is the *tetanus lateralis* of Sauvages.

6. Tetanus is also distinguished, according to its intensity, into the *acute* and the *chronic*; *traumatic*, arising from wounds; and *idiopathic*, from various causes.

**TETRADYNAMIA** (*τετρας*, four, *δύναμις*, power). The fifteenth class of Linnæus's system of plants, characterized by the presence of six stamens, of which four are long, two short, as in Stock.

*Tetradynamous*. Having six stamens, of which two pair are longer than the third pair.

**TETRANDRIA** (*τετρας*, four, *ἀνδρ*, male). The fourth class of plants in Linnæus's system, characterized by the presence of four stamens of equal length. See *Didynamia*.

*Tetrandrous*. Having four stamens of about equal length.

**TETTER**. A corruption from the French *dartre*, or the Greek *δαρτός*. This term has been used synonymously with scall; but its proper meaning is *Herpes*.

[**TEUCRIUM CHAMÆDRYS**. German-herb. A European Labiate plant, the leaves and tops of which have been employed as a mild corroborant, in uterine, gouty, rheumatic, and scrofulous affections and intermittent fevers.]

[*Teucrium Marum*. Cat thyme. A warm, stimulating, aromatic bitter, recommended for hysteria, amenorrhœa, &c.]

[*Teucrium Scordium*. Water germander. Formerly esteemed as a corroborant in low forms of diseases.]

**THALAMIFLORÆ**, (*thalamus*, a bed, *flos*, a flower). A sub-class of Exogenous plants, having a calyx and corolla, petals distinct, and stamens hypogynous. Every part of the flower springs separately from the thalamus, without contracting cohesion with each other, as in Ranunculaceæ.

**THALAMUS** (*θάλαμος*, a bed). A term applied to a part of the brain from which the optic nerve arises. The *thalami nervorum opticorum* were termed by Gall the inferior great ganglia of the brain.

**THALLUS**. A term applied to the lobed frond of *lichens*, and to the bed of fibres from which many *fungi* arise; it is generally employed to denote the combination of stem and leaves in the lower cryptogamic plants.



**THEA.** A genus of plants of the order Ternstroemiaceæ, including the *Thea viridis*, or green tea, and the *Thea bohea*, or black tea.

*Thein.* A crystallizable substance, obtained by Oudry from tea. It is identical with *caffein*.

**THEBAIN.** *Paramorphia.* A white crystalline substance, with alkaline properties, procured from opium. Its name is derived from that of *Thebes*, an ancient city of Egypt.

**THECA** (θέω, to put). A caso or sheath. Hence, the dura mater of the spinal cord is sometimes called *theca vertebralis*.

*Theca in plants.* A term applied to the cavity of the anther, to the sporangium of ferns, to the urn of mosses, &c.

**THECAPHORE** (θήκη, a capsule, φέρω, to bear). The stalk upon which the ovary of plants is sometimes seated. It is synonymous with *gynophore*, *podogynium*, &c.

**THEDEN'S BANDAGE.** A particular bandage, sometimes employed in brachial aneurism; it begins from the fingers, and extends gradually to the axilla. Scarpa says that it ought to be called the *bandage of Genga*.

**THENAR** (θέναρ). *Vola.* The palm of the hand. A muscle extending the thumb.

**THEOBROMA CACAO.** A plant of the order *Sterculiaceæ*, the seeds of which, when roasted and made into a paste with vanilla, constitute *chocolate*. The fragments of the seed-coats, mixed with portions of the kernels, form *cocoa*.

*Theobromine.* A crystallizable substance, obtained from the above plant, resembling *caffein*.

[**THEORY.** A connected arrangement of facts, according to their bearing on some real or hypothetical law. An *hypothesis* has been distinguished from theory, as an assumption which is conceived to afford a support to a discovered law. The abstract principles of any science or art considered without reference to practice.]

**THERAPEUTICS** (θεραπεύω, to heal). That branch of medicine which relates to the treatment of diseases. It is distinguished into *general* and *special* therapeutics.

**THERIACA** (θηριακός, from θηρίον, a beast). Originally, a medical preparation against the bite of serpents, and against poison in general; a term now applied to treacle.

**THERMÆ** (θέρμη, heat). Warm baths or springs.

**THERMOMETER** (θέρμη, heat, μέτρον, a measure). Literally, a *measurer*

of heat; an instrument for comparing the degree of active heat existing in other bodies, by its effect in expanding a column of mercury.

1. *Fahrenheit's Thermometer.* That arrangement of the scale of the instrument, in which the space between the freezing and the boiling points of water, under a medium pressure of the atmosphere, is divided into 180 parts, or degrees, the freezing being marked 32°, and the boiling 212°. This scale was adopted by Fahrenheit, because he supposed, erroneously, that 32 of those divisions below the freezing point of water (which was therefore 0 on his scale) was the zero, or greatest degree of cold.

2. *Centigrade Thermometer.* This is the thermometer of Celsius, which is used in France, and is the most convenient in practice: it consists in that arrangement of the scale, in which the freezing point is marked 0, or zero; and the boiling point, 100.

3. *Reaumur's Thermometer.* In this scale, the freezing point is marked 0, or zero, and the boiling point 80°. The degrees are continued of the same size, below and above these points, these below being reckoned negative.

4. These different modes of graduation are easily convertible: the scale of Centigrade is reduced to that of Fahrenheit by multiplying by nine and dividing by five; that of Reaumur to that of Fahrenheit by dividing by four instead of five: or that of Fahrenheit to either of these, by reversing the process. Thus—

$$C. 100^{\circ} \times 9 = 900 \div 5 = 180 + 32^{\circ} = 212^{\circ} F.$$

$$R. 80^{\circ} \times 9 = 720 \div 4 = 180 + 32^{\circ} = 212^{\circ} F.$$

Or, by reversing the order—

$$F. 212^{\circ} - 32 = 180 \times 5 = 900 \div 9 = 100^{\circ} C.$$

$$F. 212^{\circ} - 32 = 180 \times 4 = 720 \div 9 = 80^{\circ} R.$$

5. A Table is added, showing the correspondence of the three thermometers:

| Fahrenheit. | Centigrade. | Reaumur. |
|-------------|-------------|----------|
| 212         | 100         | 80       |
| 200         | 93.33       | 74.66    |
| 190         | 87.77       | 70.22    |
| 180         | 82.22       | 65.77    |
| 170         | 76.66       | 61.33    |
| 160         | 71.11       | 56.88    |
| 150         | 65.55       | 52.33    |
| 140         | 60          | 48       |
| 130         | 55.55       | 43.55    |
| 120         | 48.88       | 39.11    |
| 110         | 43.33       | 34.66    |
| 100         | 37.77       | 30.22    |
| 90          | 32.22       | 25.77    |
| 80          | 26.66       | 21.33    |
| 70          | 21.11       | 16.88    |
| 60          | 15.55       | 12.44    |



| Fahrenheit. | Centigrade. | Reaumur. |
|-------------|-------------|----------|
| 50          | 10          | 8        |
| 40          | 4.44        | 3.55     |
| 32          | 0           | 0        |
| 20          | -6.66       | -5.33    |
| 10          | -12.22      | -9.77    |
| 0           | -17.77      | -14.22   |

**THERMOSCOPE** (*θέρμη*, heat, *σκοπέω*, to observe). The name of a particular kind of thermometer, which shows or exhibits the changes of heat to the eye. So, *pyroscope* is the name of a particular kind of pyrometer.

**THERMOSTAT** (*θέρμη*, heat, *ἵσθημι*, to fix). A self-acting apparatus for regulating temperature, constructed on the principle of the unequal expansion of metals by heat.

**THORAX** (*θώραξ*). The chest; or that cavity of the body which contains the heart and lungs.

*Thoracic duct*. The great trunk formed by the junction of the absorbent vessels. See *Ductus*.

**THORIUM**. A metal obtained from a black mineral, called *thorite*, and named from the Scandinavian deity Thor. *Thorina* is considered to be a protoxide.

[**THRIDACE**. The inspissated expressed juice of the *Lactuca sativa*.]

**THROMBUS** (*θρόμβος*, coagulated blood). A clot of blood. Also, a tumour, formed by a collection of extravasated, coagulated blood, under the integuments after bleeding. When not considerable, it is generally termed *ecchymosis*.

**THRUSH**. The popular name for *Aphtha*. The vesicles of this disease have been called by some writers "little white specks, or sloughs," or merely "a white fur," from attending only to the ultimate state of the eruption. See *Aphtha*.

**THUS** (*θύω*, to sacrifice). Frankincense; or the *abietis resina* of the pharmacopœia.

[**THUYA OCCIDENTALIS**. *Arbor vitæ*. An indigenous Coniferous tree. A decoction of the leaves and small twigs have been used in intermittent fever, scurvy, rheumatism, &c. The oil obtained from the leaves by distillation has been given as an anthelmintic.]

**THYMIOSIS**. A name given by Swediaur to *Frambœsia*, arranged by him under the division of cachectic ulcers.

**THYMUS** (*θύμος*, a kind of onion; a small blister on the flesh, &c.) A conglomerate gland, situated in the thorax of the fœtus, part of which remains during youth, and the whole of which usually disappears in old age.

[**THYMUS VULGARIS**. Thyme. A Labiate plant, well known as a pot-herb; and occasionally used in baths, fomentations, and poultices, with other aromatic herbs.]

**THYREO-** (*θυρεός*, a shield). Names compounded with this word belong to parts attached to the *thyreoïd* (*εἶδος*, likeness), or shield-like cartilage of the larynx.

1. *Thyreo-arytænoïdeus*. A muscle arising from the thyreoïd, and inserted into the arytænoïd cartilage. It widens the glottis.

2. *Thyreo-epiglottideus*. A muscle arising from the thyreoïd cartilage, and inserted into the side of the epiglottis. It has been divided by Albinus into the *major* and the *minor*.

3. *Thyreo-hyoïdeus*. A muscle arising from the thyreoïd cartilage, and inserted into the os hyoïdes. It brings the larynx and hyoïd bone towards each other.

4. *Thyreo-pharyngeus*. A designation of the constrictor inferior muscle, from its arising from the thyreoïd cartilage.

5. *Thyreo-staphylinus*. A designation of the palato-pharyngeus muscle, from its origin and insertion.

[**THYROID CARTILAGE**. The largest cartilage of the larynx. It consists of two alæ, which meet in front at an acute angle, and form the projection termed *pomum Adami*.]

**THYROID GLAND**. A body composed of two oval lobes, which are situated one on each side of the trachea, and are connected together by means of an *isthmus*, which crosses its upper rings.

**THYRSUS**. A form of inflorescence, consisting of a panicle, the middle branches of which are longer than those of the apex or base, as in lilac.

**THYSANOURA** (*θύσσω*, obsolete; from *θύω*, to move rapidly, *οὐρά*, a tail). Insects which jump by means of their tail, as the spring-tail.

**TIBIA**. Literally, a flute or pipe. The shin-bone; or the great bone of the leg, so named from its resemblance to a pipe, the upper part representing the expanded or trumpet-like end; the lower part, the flute end of the pipe.

*Tibialis*. The name of two muscles of the tibia, the *anticus* or flexor, and the *posticus* or extensor tarsi tibialis.

**TIC**. A sound expressive of the action it imports; derived from the pungent stroke of pain, resembling the bite of an insect; or from the sound made by horses, which bite the manger when thus affected. As a medical term it has generally been applied to the disease called—





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℥j.; diluted alcohol, f℥xx. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement. An excellent stomachic cordial.

[15. *Tr. Cinnamomi*. Tincture of cinnamon. Cinnamon, bruised, ℥iij.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement. Aromatic and astringent.

[16. *Tr. Cinnamomi Composita*. Compound tincture of cinnamon. Cinnamon, bruised, ℥j.; cardamom, bruised, ℥ss.; ginger, bruised, ℥iij.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[17. *Tr. Colchici Seminis*. Tincture of colchicum seed. Colchicum seed, bruised, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express and filter. It may also be made by displacement.

[18. *Tr. Colombæ*. Tincture of columbo. Columbo, bruised, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[19. *Tr. Conii*. Tincture of hemlock. Hemlock leaves, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[20. *Tr. Cubebæ*. Tincture of cubeb. Cubeb, bruised, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[21. *Tr. Digitalis*. Tincture of Foxglove. Foxglove, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[22. *Tr. Gallæ*. Tincture of galls. Galls, bruised, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement. Powerful astringent.

[23. *Tr. Gentianæ Composita*. Compound tincture of gentian. Gentian, bruised, ℥ij.; orange peel, ℥j.; cardamom, bruised, ℥ss.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[24. *Tr. Guaiaci*. Tincture of guaiac. Guaiac, powdered, ℥ss.; alcohol, Oij. Macerate fourteen days, and filter.

[25. *Tr. Guaiaci Ammoniata*. Guaiac, powdered, ℥iv.; aromatic spirit of ammonia, Oiss. Macerate for fourteen days, and filter.

[The following is the formula for the volatile tincture of guaiacum, recom-

mended as so efficacious by the late Dr. Dewees, in suppression of the menses, and dysmenorrhœa. Best guaiac, in powder, ℥iv.; carbonate of soda or potassa, ℥iiss.; pimento, in powder, ℥j.; diluted alcohol, ℥j. Digest for a few days. The volatile spirit of ammonia is to be added, *pro re nata*, in the proportion of one or two drachms, to every four ounces of the tincture; more or less agreeably to the state of the system. Dose a teaspoonful, morning, noon, and evening, in a wine-glassful of sweetened milk, or, where not contra-indicated, as much wine.

[26. *Tr. Hellebori*. Tincture of black hellebore. Black hellebore, bruised, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[27. *Tr. Humuli*. Tincture of hops. Hops, ℥v.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter.

[28. *Tr. Hyoscyami*. Tincture of henbane. Henbane leaves, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[29. *Tr. Iodini*. Tincture of iodine. Iodine, ℥j.; alcohol, Oj. Dissolve.

[30. *Tr. Iodini Composita*. Compound tincture of iodine. Iodine, ℥ss.; iodide of potassium, ℥j.; alcohol, Oj. Dissolve.

[31. *Tr. Jalapæ*. Tincture of jalap. Jalap, powdered, ℥viiij.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[32. *Tr. Krameriz*. Tincture of rhatany. Rhatany, powdered, ℥vj.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[33. *Tr. Lobeliæ*. Tincture of lobelia. Lobelia, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[34. *Tr. Lupulinæ*. Tincture of lupulin. Lupulin, ℥iv.; alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, and filter.

[35. *Tr. Myrrhæ*. Tincture of myrrh. Myrrh, bruised, ℥iv.; alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, and filter.

[36. *Tr. Olei Menthæ Piperitæ*. Tincture of oil of peppermint. (Essence of peppermint.) Oil of peppermint, f℥ij.; alcohol, Oj. Dissolve.

[37. *Tr. Menthæ viridis*. Tincture of oil of spearmint. Oil of spearmint, ℥ij.; alcohol, Oj. Dissolve.

[38. *Tr. Opii*. Tincture of opium (laudanum). Opium, powdered, ℥iiss.; di-



luted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter.

[39. *Tr. Opium Acetata*. Acetated tincture of opium. Opium, ℥ij.; vinegar, f℥xij.; alcohol, Oss. Rub the opium with the vinegar, then add the alcohol, macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter.

[40. *Tr. Opium Camphorata*. Camphorated tincture of opium (paregoric elixir). Opium, powdered, benzoic acid, each, ℥j.; oil of anise, f℥j.; clarified honey, ℥ij.; camphor, ℥ij.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, and filter.

[41. *Tr. Quassia*. Tincture of quassia. Quassia, rasped, ℥ij.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[42. *Tr. Rhei*. Tincture of rhubarb. Rhubarb, bruised, ℥ij.; cardamom, bruised, ℥ss.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[43. *Tr. Rhei et Aloës*. Tincture of rhubarb and aloes (sacred elixir). Rhubarb, bruised, ℥x.; aloes, powdered, ℥vj.; cardamom, bruised, ℥ss.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter.

[44. *Tr. Rhei et Gentianæ*. Tincture of rhubarb and gentian. Rhubarb, bruised, ℥ij.; gentian, bruised, ℥ss.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[45. *Tr. Rhei et Sennæ*. Tincture of rhubarb and senna (Warner's gout cordial). Rhubarb, bruised, ℥j.; senna, ℥ij.; coriander, bruised, fennel-seed, bruised, each, ℥j.; red sanders, rasped, ℥ij.; saffron, liquorice, each, ℥ss.; raisins, deprived of their seeds, ℥ss.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter.

[46. *Tr. Sanguinariæ*. Tincture of bloodroot. Bloodroot, bruised, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[47. *Tr. Saponis Camphorata*. Camphorated tincture of soap (soap liniment). Soap, in shavings, ℥iv.; camphor, ℥ij.; oil of rosemary, f℥ss.; alcohol, Oij. Digest the soap with the alcohol by means of a water bath till it is dissolved; then filter, and add the camphor and oil.

[48. *Tr. Scillæ*. Tincture of squill. Squill, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[49. *Tr. Sennæ et Jalapæ*. Tincture of

senna and jalap. Senna, ℥ij.; jalap, in powder, ℥j.; coriander, bruised, caraway, bruised, each, ℥ss.; cardamom, bruised, ℥ij.; sugar, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[50. *Tr. Serpentariæ*. Tincture of Virginia snakeroot. Virginia snakeroot, bruised, ℥ij.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[51. *Tr. Stramonii*. Tincture of stramonium. Stramonium seed, bruised, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[52. *Tr. Tolutani*. Tincture of tolu. Balsam of tolu, ℥ij.; alcohol, Oij. Macerate until the balsam is dissolved, then filter.

[53. *Tr. Valerianæ*. Tincture of valerian. Valerian, bruised, ℥iv.; diluted alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[54. *Tr. Valerianæ Ammoniata*. Ammoniated tincture of valerian. Valerian, bruised, ℥iv.; aromatic spirit of ammonia, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[55. *Tr. Zingiberis*. Tincture of ginger. Ginger, bruised, ℥viiij.; alcohol, Oij. Macerate for fourteen days, express, and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.]

**TINEA**. Literally, a moth-worm. A term applied to scald head, when the scabs have resembled moth-holes in cloth. This has been termed *favus*, when it resembles a honey-comb; and *achores*, when the discharge has been unusually acrimonious. See *Porrigo*.

**TINNITUS AURIUM** (*tinnio*, to tinkle, as metals). Ringing in the ears.

**TISSUE**. *Tela*. A web, or web-like structure, constituting the elementary structures of animals and plants.

1. *Cellular tissue*. An assemblage of whitish, filamentous, extensile, tenacious, and retractile laminæ, found in all parts of organized bodies, running in all directions, and leaving between them small spaces or *cellules* of variable extent.

2. *Adipose tissue*. A variety of the cellular, forming a reservoir for the *adeps*, or fat.

3. *Reticular tissue*. A variety of the cellular, in which the *cellules* are larger, and the laminæ and fibres by which they



are bounded much thinner and more delicate.

4. *Compact tissue*. A tissue formed by fibres placed so close together as to leave no intervals: it exists at the surface of bones, and forms the walls of the various apertures and canals which may occur in them. The bones of the skull consist of cellular tissue, called *diploë* or *medullium*, placed between two thin tables of *compact tissue*.

5. *Tissue, adventitious or accidental*. A morbid production in general, either of entirely new formation, or resembling any of the natural tissues of the body.

**TITANIUM** (*τίτανος*, calx). A metal which, in the form of *titanic acid*, constitutes several minerals, as menachanite, &c.

**TITUBATIO** (*titubo*, to stagger). *Fidgets*. General restlessness, accompanied with a perpetual desire of changing the position.

**TOBACCO**. The dried leaves of the *Nicotiana tabacum*, a plant indigenous to America; its peculiar principle is termed *nicotin*.

**TOLERANCE** (*tolero*, to bear). A term employed by Rasori to denote the power of bearing a remedy.

[**TOLUIDINE**. An organic base obtained from the oil of the balsam of Tolu. This new alkali is volatile, contains no nitrogen, and belongs to a class of bases represented by aniline.

[**TOLUTANUM**. Ph. U. S. Balsam of Tolu. The juice of the Myroxylon Tolutanum.]

**TOMBAC**. A white alloy of copper with arsenic, called *white copper*.

**TOMENTOSE**. Covered with tomentum.

**TOMENTUM**. Short, close down.

**TONGUE**. *Lingua*. The organ of taste and speech. See *Papilla*.

[**TONIC** (*τείνω*, to draw). A rigid contraction of the muscles, without relaxation, as in trismus, &c.]

**TONICS** (*τόνος*, tone, from *τείνω*, to stretch). Medicines which restore the *tension* and vigour of the muscular fibre, when it is weakened and relaxed.

**TONICITY**. A property of the muscles distinct from the true or Hallerian irritability, and probably dependent on an action of their nerves, and the nervous centres: by this power of the dilators of the larynx, this organ is kept open, whereas it becomes partially closed on dividing the recurrent nerves:—by this power the face is symmetrical, whereas it becomes distorted, when the seventh

nerve on one side is paralyzed:—by this power the sphincters are kept closed, &c.

The term *tonicity* is often used synonymously with *elasticity*, to denote that property of the muscular fibre.

[**TONKA BEAN**. The seed of the *Dipterin odorata*. Willd.]

**TONSILS** (*tondeo*, to clip, or shear). *Amygdalæ*. The round glands situated between the pillars of the velum palati.

*Tonsillitis*. Inflammation of the tonsils; a barbarous combination of the Latin word *tonsillæ* and the Greek termination *itis*.

[**TOOTH**. See *Dens*.]

**TOOTH-RASH**. A cutaneous disease, peculiar to infants. See *Strophulus*.

**TOPHUS** (*τόφος*, a crumbling gravel stone). A swelling which particularly affects a bone, or the periosteum.

*Tophaceous*. A term frequently applied to bodies, found in the lungs, resembling stone, and consisting of cartilage, with points here and there of incipient ossification.

**TOPICA** (*τόπος*, a place). Topical or local remedies; medicines applied to a particular part.

**TORCULAR HEROPHILI**. Literally, Herophilus's wine-press. A term applied to an irregular cavity; where the principal sinuses of the dura mater become confluent. The columns of blood, coming in different directions, were supposed to be *pressed* together in this part.

**TORMENTIL ROOT**. [Tormentilla, Ph. U. S.] The root of the *Potentilla tormentilla*, a European plant of astringent qualities, used in the Oreades for tanning leather.

**TORMINA** (plur. of *tormen*, not in use). Gripping; the pain which accompanies enteritis and diarrhoea.

**TORPOR** (*torpeo*, to be benumbed). Insensibility, mental or corporeal.

**TORRICELLIAN VACUUM**. The vacuum at the top of the column of mercury in a barometer, so called from *Torricelli*, the inventor of that instrument.

[**TORSION**. Twisting. Sometimes employed as a means of arresting arterial hæmorrhage. The artery is seized with forceps, drawn outwards, half an inch or more; the base of this isolated part is then seized by another pair of forceps, and held firmly, while the extremity of the vessel is twisted several times on itself, by means of the evellent forceps.]

**TORSION-BALANCE**. A delicate electrometer, so called because its principle consists in the *torsion* or twisting of a single fibre of the web of the silk-worm.





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gan into a solid unorganized substance, which is the mode of growth of the non-vascular textures, or *appositio*.

3. Transformation of the components of the blood into a fluid matter, which escapes on the free surface of the organ, or *secretion*. Müller.

**TRANSFUSION** (*transfundo*, to pour from one vessel into another). The operation of transfusing the blood of one animal into the veins of another.

**TRANSUDATION** (*transudo*, to perspire). The process by which fluids pass through porous substances. Thus, the arteries and veins are sometimes represented as being porous; and hence, as parting with contained fluids by transudation, and imbibing extraneous fluids by capillary attraction. See *Secretion*.

**TRANSVERSALIS** (*transversus*, across). That which is placed across or crosswise. Hence the terms—

1. *Transversalis abdominis*. A muscle arising from the cartilages of the seven lower ribs, &c., and inserted into the linea alba, and the crest of the ilium. It supports and compresses the bowels.

2. *Transversalis colli*. A muscle arising from the transverse processes of the second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth cervical vertebræ, and inserted into those of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh upper dorsal vertebræ. It turns the neck obliquely backwards and to one side.

**TRANSVERSUS**. That which is placed across or crosswise.

1. *Transversus auris* of Albinus. A muscle arising from the prominent part of the concha, and inserted opposite to the outer side of the anti-helix. It draws the parts to which it is connected towards each other, and stretches the scapha and concha.

2. *Transversus pedis*. A muscle arising from the metatarsal bone of the great toe, and inserted into that of the little toe.

3. *Transversus perinæi*. A muscle arising from the tuber ischii, and inserted into the middle line with its fellow. It is supposed to dilate the urethra.

**TRAPEZA** (*τράπεζα*). The Greek term for a table, or a table-cover.

1. *Trapezium*. A bone of the second row of the carpal bones, also called *os multangulum majus*. From its name it might be supposed to be square.

2. *Trapezoides os*. A bone of the second row of the carpal bones, smaller than the trapezium, and also called *os multangulum minus*.

3. *Trapezius*. A muscle so named from its lozenge form, arising from the superior

transverse line of the occipital bone, from the spinous processes of the seventh cervical, and of all the dorsal vertebræ, and inserted into the clavicle, the acromion, and the scapula. It is sometimes called *cucullaris*, from its resembling a cucullus, or monk's hood, hanging on the neck: and where it is united to its fellow in the nape of the neck, it is named *ligamentum nuchæ*, or *colli*. It draws the scapula according to the three directions of its fibres.

4. *Trapeziform*. Four-sided, with the opposite margins not parallel, as certain leaves.

**TRAUMATIC** (*τραῦμα*, a wound). Belonging to wounds; caused by wounds.

**TREACLE**. *Molasses*. The uncrystallizable part of common sugar.

**TREMOR** (*tremo*, to tremble). Trembling; tremulous agitation of the head, limbs, &c.

1. *Tremor mercurialis*. The shaking palsy; an affection of the nervous system induced by the inhalation or other application to the body of *mercurial vapours*.

2. *Tremor tendinum*. Shaking palsy. A morbid intermittent action of the spasmodic kind, which sometimes continues more or less constantly present through a series of years.

**TREPAN** (*τρυνάω*, to perforate). *Terebellum*; *modiolus*. A circular saw, for perforating the skull in the operation of *trepanning*. It resembles the instrument called a wimble, and is worked in the same manner. It is now superseded, in this country, by the *trepine*. See *Abap-tiston*.

**TREPINE**. An instrument used for perforating the cranium.

**TRIADELPHOUS**. Having the stamens disposed in three parcels or fasciculi.

**TRIANDRIA** (*τρεῖς*, three, *ἀνδρ*, a man). The third class in Linnæus's system of plants, in which there are three stamens.

*Triandrous*. Having three stamens of about equal length.

**TRIANGULARIS STERNI**. A muscle arising from the lower part of the sternum and ensiform cartilage, and inserted into the cartilages of the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth ribs. It is also called *sterno-costalis*. It depresses the ribs, and is a muscle of expiration.

*Triangularis labiorum*. A name frequently given to the depressor anguli oris, from its triangular shape.

**TRICEPS** (*tria capita habens*). Having three heads. Hence—

1. *Triceps auris*. A name frequently given to the posterior auris, in conse-



quence of this muscle arising by three distinct slips.

2. *Triceps extensor cubiti*. A muscle arising, by three heads, from the inferior border of the scapula, and from the os humeri, and inserted into the olecranon. It has been distinguished into the *extensor longus*, the *extensor brevis*, and the *brachialis externus*. It extends the forearm.

3. *Triceps extensor cruris*. This muscle extends the leg. It has been described as consisting of—

1. The *Vastus externus*, arising from the trochanter major, and inserted into the patella and fascia of the same joint;—

2. The *Vastus internus*, arising from the trochanter minor, and inserted into the patella and fascia; and

3. The *Cruræus*, arising from between the trochanters, and inserted into the patella. Under this portion is frequently found a muscle, termed *sub-cruræus*.

**TRICHIASIS** (*θρίξ, τριχός*, the hair). An unnatural direction of the cilia, in which they turn inwards against the eyeball. This affection has been called *pilare malum*; and, by Actuarius, *trichosis*.

*Distichiasis*, or “double row,” is a modification of this affection; not that there is properly a double row, but a partial series of cilia produced on the inner margin of the lid, in addition to the natural row.

[**TRICHINA SPIRALIS**. A species of entozoa, consisting of very minute oblong cysts, found in the muscles of voluntary motion.]

**TRICORNE** (*tria cornua*, three horns). A term applied to each lateral ventricle of the brain, from its three-horned shape. See *Cornu*.

**TRICOTOMOUS**. Having the divisions or ramifications always in threes.

**TRICUSPID** (*tres cuspides habens*). Having three points; a term applied to three triangular folds or *valves* situated between the right auricle and the right ventricle of the heart.

**TRIFACIAL** (*tres facies habens*). Triple-facial; a term applied to the fifth pair of nerves, the grand sensitive nerve of the head and face.

[**TRICOCEPHALUS**. See *Vermes*.]

[**TRICHURIS**. See *Vermes*.]

**TRIGASTRIC** (*τρεις, three, γαστήρ*, a belly). Three-bellied. A term applied to certain muscles.]

**TRIGEMINI** (*tres, three, geminus*, double). The name of branches of the

fifth pair of nerves, or *tri-facial*. See *Nerves*.

**TRIGO'NAL** (*τρεις, three, γωνία*, an angle). A term applied to a triangular space on the fundus of the bladder, where the mucous membrane is void of rugæ.

[**TRIGONELLA FÆNUMGRÆCUM**. Fenugreek. A European leguminous plant, the seeds of which are employed in Europe in the preparation of emollient cataplasms and enemata, and they enter into the composition of some ointments, etc.]

**TRIGYNIA** (*τρεις, three, γυνή*, female). The name given by Linnæus to those orders of plants in which there are three pistils.

[**TRIOSTEUM**. Ph. U. S. Fever-root. The root of *Triosteum perfoliatum*.]

[**TRIOSTEUM PERFOLIATUM**. Fever-root. An indigenous plant of the natural order Caprifoliaceæ. The root is cathartic in doses of gr. xx. to gr. xxx., and in larger doses emetic.]

**TRIPINNATE**. A term applied to a leaf in which there are three series of pinnation, viz., when the leaflets of a bipinnate leaf are themselves pinnate.

**TRIPOLI**. A mineral originally brought from Tripoli, consisting of silex and clay, and used for polishing and cleaning metals.

**TRIQUETRA**, (*tres, three*). *Ossa Wormiana*. The triangular bones sometimes found in the course of the lambdoidal suture.

**TRISMUS** (*τρίζω*, to gnash the teeth). Locked jaw. (See *Tetanus*.) The “nine day fits” of infants are termed *trismus nascentium*.

[**TRISPLANCHNIC** (*τρεις, three, σπλαγχνον*, viscus). Relating to the three orders of viscera. An epithet given by Chaussier to the great sympathetic nerve, from its distributing branches to the three great splanchnic cavities.]

[**TRITICUM HYBERNUM**. *Seminum farina*. Wheat flour.

[*Triticum repens*. Couch-grass. The decoction of the roots of this plant is slightly aperient and nutritive, and is used in some parts of Europe.]

**TRITERNATE**. A term applied to a leaf in which there are three series of ternation, viz.; when the leaflets of a biternate leaf are themselves ternate.

**TRITURATION** (*tritatus*, rubbed, from *teror*). The act of rubbing or pounding.

**TROCHANTER** (*τροχάω*, to run or roll). The name of two processes of the thigh-bone,—the *major* and the *minor*. They are named from their office of receiving



those large muscles which bend and extend the thigh, and turn it upon its axis. They form, as it were, shoulders to the thigh-bone.

*Intra-trochantral line.* A rough line, situated between the greater and lesser trochanters, to which the capsular ligament is attached, and into which the quadratus femoris is inserted.

**TROCHAR**, or **TROCAR** (*trois quart*, three-fourths; from its point being triangular). An instrument used for discharging aqueous fluids, &c., from different cavities of the body. It consists of a perforator or stilette, and a canula.

**TROCHISCUS** (dim. of *τροχος*, a wheel). A troche, lozenge, or round tablet; it is composed of powders made up, with glutinous substances, into little cakes, and afterwards dried.

[The following are the officinal Troches, Ph. U. S., with the formulæ for their preparation.

1. *Trochisci cretæ.* Troches of chalk. Prepared chalk, ℥iv.; gum arabic, in powder, ℥j.; nutmeg, in powder, ℥j.; sugar, in powder, ℥vj. Mix intimately, then add sufficient water to make a mass and divide into troches, weighing each ten grains.

2. *Trochisci Glycyrrhizæ et opii.* Troches of liquorice and opium. Powdered opium, ℥ss.; liquorice, sugar, gum arabic, in p, each ℥x.; oil of anise, f℥ij. Mix with water sufficient to make a mass; make into troches weighing each six grains. Demulcent and anodyne.

3. *Trochisci Ipecacuanhæ.* Troches of Ipecacuanha. Ipecacuanha, in powder, ℥ss.; sugar, in powder, ℥xiv.; arrow-root, in powder, ℥iv.; mucilage of tragacanth, a sufficient quantity. Mix, and divide into troches, each weighing ten grains. Expectorant.

4. *Trochisci magnesiæ.* Troches of magnesia. Magnesia, ℥iv.; sugar, lbj.; nutmeg, in powder, ℥j.; mucilage of tragacanth, a sufficient quantity. Rub the magnesia, sugar, and nutmeg together, add the mucilage, and form into troches, each weighing ten grains. Antacid.

5. *Trochisci menthæ piperitæ.* Troches of peppermint. Oil of peppermint, f℥j.; sugar, in powder, lbj.; mucilage of tragacanth, a sufficient quantity. Mix, and divide into troches, each weighing ten grains. Carminative.]

**TROCHLEA** (*τροχος*, a wheel). A kind of cartilaginous pulley. Hence—

1. *Trochlearis.* An articulation in which one part moves round another like a pulley. Also, a name of the obliquus

superior, or that muscle of the eye which passes through the *trochlea* or pulley.

2. *Trochleares.* Another name for the *nervi pathetici*, or nerves of the fourth pair, distributed to the trochlearis muscle of the eye.

**TROCHOIDES** (*τροχος*, a wheel, *ειδος*, likeness). Wheel-like; a species of diarthrosis, or movable articulation of bones, in which one bone rotates upon another; as the radius upon the ulna.

**TRONA.** The name given in Africa to the sesqui-carbonate of soda, imported from the coast of Barbary, where it is collected by the natives.

**TROPHOSPERM** (*τρέφω*, to nourish, *σπέρμα*, seed). The name given by Richard to the placenta in plants.

**TRUNCATE.** Terminating very abruptly, as if a portion had been cut off.

**TRUSS** (*trousse*, French). *Bracherium.* A bandage, or apparatus, for keeping a hernia reduced.

**TUBA** (*tubus*, a tube). A trumpet; a canal resembling a trumpet.

1. *Tuba Eustachiana.* A canal, partly bony, partly cartilaginous and membranous, which extends from the cavity of the tympanum to the upper part of the pharynx.

2. *Tubæ Fallopiæ.* The Fallopian tubes; two canals at the fundus uteri, of a trumpet form, described by Fallopius.

**TUBE OF SAFETY.** A tube open at both ends, inserted into a receiver, the upper end communicating with the external air, and the lower being immersed in water.

**TUBER** (*tumeo*, to swell). A protuberance or tuberosity.

1. *Tuber annulare.* A designation of the pons Varolii, the commencement of the medulla oblongata. This part of the brain has been not inappropriately designated *nodus encephali*, *nœud vital*, &c.

2. *Tuber cinereum.* An eminence of gray substance, forming part of the floor of the third ventricle.

3. *Tuber ischii.* A round knob, forming that point of the ischium upon which we sit; hence, this bone has been named *os sedentarium*.

4. The *Tuberosities* of the os humeri are two small prominences of unequal size, called *the greater* and *the smaller*, situated at the upper end of the bone, just behind the head.

**TUBER, OF PLANTS.** An annual thickened subterranean stem, provided at the sides with latent buds, from which new plants are produced, as the potato. When very small, it is called *tuberculum*





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2. *Tunica albuginea testis*. A thick fibrous membrane, constituting the proper tunic of the testis.

3. *Tunica arachnoidea*. A cobweb-like membrane, situated between the dura and pia mater.

4. *Tunica conjunctiva*, or *adnata*. A mucous membrane, which lines the posterior surface of the eyelids, and is reflected over the fore part of the globe of the eye.

5. *Tunica elytröides* (ἐλυτρον, vagina, εἶδος, likeness). *Tunica vaginalis*; the names under which the old anatomists confounded the fibrous with the serous coat of the scrotum.

6. *Tunica erythroïdes* (ἐρυθρός, red, εἶδος, likeness). The cremasteric covering of the spermatic cord and testis, formed by the expansion of the fibres of the cremaster muscle.

7. *Tunica nervea*. A former name of the fibrous coat of the intestines.

8. *Tunica Ruyschiana*. An inner lamina of the choroid membrane, so called after Ruysch, who first injected it.

9. *Tunica vaginalis testis*. A pouch of serous membrane derived from the peritoneum, and covering the testis.

10. *Tunica vasculosa testis*. A vascular membrane lying upon the inner surface of the tunica albuginea, and constituting the nutrient membrane of the testis.

11. *Tunica vasculosa retinae*. The inner and fibro-vascular lamina of the retina, which supports the outer, medullary, pulpy, or mucous lamina.

**TUNICATA** (*tunica*, a mantle). The first class of the *Cyclo-gangliata*, or *Mollusca*, comprising soft, aquatic, acephalous animals, having their body enveloped in an elastic tunic furnished with at least two apertures.

**TURBINATE** (*turbo*, a top). Top-shaped; inversely conical, and contracted towards the point.

**TURBINATED BONES** (*turbo*, a top). Two bones of the nostrils, so called from their being formed in the shape of a top, or inverted cone. They are also called the *inferior spongy bones*, to distinguish them from the upper spongy bones, which form part of the ethmoid bone; and from their spongy appearance, in which they resemble raised paste.

**TURGOR VITALIS** (*turgeo*, to be swollen). Turgescence, or orgasm; a state characterized by well-defined symptoms of active congestion, accompanied by copious though not morbidly-augmented secretions.

[**TURLINGTON'S BALSAM**. A popular expectorant and vulnerary. The following is the formula adopted by the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy for its preparation:—Alcohol Oviij.; benzoin ℥xij.; liquid storax ℥iv.; socotrine aloes ℥j.; Peruvian balsam ℥ij.; myrrh ℥j.; angelica root ℥ss; balsam of tolu ℥iv.; extract of liquorice root ℥iv. Digest for ten days, and strain.]

**TURMERIC** (*terra merita*). The tubers of the *Curcuma longa*, which yield a beautiful bright yellow colour.

*Turmeric paper*. Charta curcumæ. White, bibulous, or unsized paper, brushed over with tincture of turmeric, prepared by digesting one part of bruised turmeric in six parts of proof spirit.

**TURNBULL'S BLUE**. [See *Blue*.]

**TURNER'S CERATE**. [See *ceratum zinci carbonatis*.]

[**TURNING**. That operation, by which, without danger to the mother or her child, the position of the latter is changed, either for the purpose of rendering the labour more favourable, or for adapting the position of the child for delivering it artificially.]

**TURNSOLE**. A deep purple dye obtained from the *Crozophora tinctoria*, an Euphorbiaceous plant.

**TURIO**. A term applied, in botany, to a scaly bud, developed from a perennial subterranean root, as in asparagus.

**TURPENTINE**. *Terebinthina*. A term applied to a liquid or soft solid oleo-resinous juice of certain coniferous plants, as well as of the *Pistacia terebinthus*.

1. *Common turpentine*. *Terebinthina vulgaris*. The general name of oleo-resins obtained from several species of *Pinus*, the most important of which are the *American* or *white*, and the *Bordeaux* turpentine.

2. *Larch* or *Venice turpentine*. *Terebinthina laricea* seu *Veneta*. Obtained from the *Larix Europæa*, by boring the trunk of the tree.

3. *Strasburgh turpentine*. *Terebinthina argentoratensis*. Obtained from the *Abies picea*, by puncturing the vesicles of the bark.

4. *Canadian turpentine*. *Terebinthina Canadensis*. Obtained from the *Abies balsamea*, from vesicles between the bark and the wood. It is also called *Canada balsam*.

5. *Common frankincense*. *Abietis resina*. The spontaneous exudation of the *Abies communis*.



**TURPETH MINERAL.** The name given by chemists to the sub-sulphate of mercury.

**TURUNDA.** A pellet of bread, paste, &c. A tent for wounds.

**TUSSILAGO FARFARA.** Coltsfoot; a European Composite plant, employed as a popular remedy in pulmonary complaints.

**TUSSIS** (*tussio*, to cough). Bex. A cough. See *Pertussis*.

**TUTENAG.** The commercial name for the zinc or spelter of China; also the name of a white metallic compound, called *Chinese copper*.

[**TUTIA.** Tutty. Impure oxide of zinc.]

**TWINS.** *Gemini*. Twins are mostly produced at a common birth; but, owing to the incidental death of one of them while the other continues alive, there is sometimes a material difference in the time of their expulsion, and, consequently, in their bulk, or degree of maturity; giving us, according to Dr. Good, the following varieties:—

1. *Congruous twinning*. Of equal, or nearly equal growth, and produced at a common birth.

2. *Incongruous twinning*. Of unequal growth, and produced at different births.

**TWITCHING.** *Subsultus tendinum*.

Sudden or regular snatches of the tendons.

**TYLO'SIS** (*τύλος*, a callosity). A swollen and knotty state of the eyelids, in which their margin often loses altogether its natural form and appearance. Thickening of the lids has been also termed *pachy-blepharosis*; and, when attended with loss of the cilia, the affection has been termed *ptilosis*.

**TYMPANITES** (*τύμπανον*, a drum). Tympany; abdominal emphysema; dry dropsy, or wind dropsy. It is named from the drum-like distension of the abdomen.

**TYMPANUM** (*τύμπανον*, a drum). The drum of the ear; an irregular bony cavity, compressed from without inwards, and situated within the petrous bone.

**TYPHOMANIA** (*τύφος*, stupor, *μανία*, madness). An affection consisting in perfect lethargy of body, but imperfect lethargy of mind; wandering ideas, and belief of wakefulness during sleep.

**TYPHUS** (*τύφος*, stupor). Malignant fever. See *Febris*.

**TYRO'MA** (*τυρός*, cheese). A term applied by Dr. Craigie to tubercular secretion of the brain, from its *cheese-like* appearance.

**TYSON'S GLANDS.** *Glandulæ odoriferae*. Sebaceous glands situated around the corona penis.

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**ULCER** (*ἔλκος*, *ulcus*, a wound). A solution of continuity in any of the soft parts of the body, attended with a secretion of pus, or some kind of discharge. Ulcers are divided into—

1. *Local*, or those confined, like a primary syphilitic ulcer, to one spot.

2. *Constitutional*, or those liable to occur in any part, from general affection of the system.

3. *Specific*, or those occasioned by specific poisons, or by particular diatheses.

4. *Simple*, or those which do not appear to proceed from any specific disease, or morbid diathesis.

**ULCERATION.** The process by which sores, or ulcers, are produced; a function of the absorbents, attended by a solution of continuity, and the formation of pus.

**ULMACEÆ** (*ulmus*, the elm). The Elm tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees and shrubs with *leaves* alternate;

*flowers* apetalous; *ovarium* superior; *fruit* 1 or 2-celled, indehiscent; *seeds* pendulous.

1. *Ulmus campestris*. The Common small-leaved Elm. [A European species.] *Elm bark*, or the liber of the bark, is [demulcent, and is] still ordered in the form of a decoction.

[2. *Ulmus fulva*. Slippery Elm. An indigenous species, the inner bark of which contains a great quantity of mucilage, which it readily imparts to water. It is an excellent demulcent, feebly astringent, and very nutritious. The infusion is highly useful in bowel complaints and in inflammations of mucous membranes. The ground bark, mixed with hot water, forms an admirable poultice, and the fresh bark, rolled up in the form of a bougie, has been extolled for the dilatation of fistulas and strictures.]

3. *Ulmic acid*, or *Ulmin*. A brown substance found on many trees, especially



the elm, produced by the action of acids or alkalis on vegetable matter. It is a modification of *humus*.

**ULNA** (*ὠλένη*, the cubit). The large bone of the fore-arm, so named from its being often used as a measure, under the term *ell*. The hinge-like surface at the elbow presents, in profile, somewhat of the shape of the letter S, and is therefore called the *sigmoid cavity* of the ulna. See *Olecranon*.

**ULNA'RIS** (*ulna*, the cubit). The name of two muscles of the fore-arm:—

1. A *flexor* muscle, arising from the inner condyle of the os humeri, and inserted into the pisiform bone.

2. An *extensor* muscle, arising from the outer condyle of the os humeri, and inserted into the little finger.

**ULTRA-MARINE**. A fine blue powder, made from the blue parts of *lapis lazuli*. It has the property of neither fading, nor becoming tarnished, on exposure to the air, or a moderate heat.

**UMBEL** (*umbella*, an umbrella). A form of inflorescence, in which all the pedicels of the flowers proceed from a single point, and are of equal length or corymbose. When each pedicel bears a single flower, as in *Eryngium*, the umbel is said to be *simple*; when each pedicel divides, and bears other umbels, as in *Heracleum*, the umbel is termed *compound*. In the latter case, the assemblage of umbels is called the *universal umbel*, each of the secondary umbels being called the *partial umbel*. The peduncles which support the partial umbels are called *radii*.

**UMBELLIFERÆ** (*umbella*, an umbel, *fero*, to bear). The Umbel-bearing tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbaceous plants, with *leaves* usually divided; *flowers* in umbels; *calyx* entire or 5-toothed; *petals* 5, alternate with 5 *stamens*; *ovarium* didymous, with 2 *styles* and solitary pendulous *ovula*.

**UMBER**. A brown clay iron ore, occurring in beds in the island of Cyprus, and used as a pigment.

**UMBILICUS** (dim. of *umbo*, the boss of a shield). The navel.

1. *Umbilical cord*. *Funis umbilicalis*. A cord connecting the fœtus with the placenta, and consisting of the umbilical vein and the two umbilical arteries twisted together like a rope, and surrounded by the reflections of the chorion and the amnios.

2. *Umbilical vesicle*. *Vesicula umbilicalis*. A small sac, situated between the chorion and the amnios, and connected

to the fœtus by a duct, an artery, and a vein.

3. *Umbilical region*. That portion of the abdominal parietes situated about two inches around the umbilicus.

4. *Umbilical hernia*. *Omphalocele*. Hernia of the bowels at the umbilicus.

5. In botany, the term *umbilicus* is synonymous with *hilum*, and denotes the scar where the seed is united with the placenta.

**UNCARIA GAMBIR**. The Gambir; a Rubiaceous plant, the leaves of which yield the *gambir* of commerce.

**UNCIA**. An ounce; the twelfth part of a pound. *Unciatim*, ounce by ounce.

**UNCIFORME OS** (*uncus*, a hook, *forma*, likeness). A bone of the carpus, or wrist, having a *hook-like* process.

**UNGUENTUM** (*ungo*, to anoint). An ointment; an unctuous substance, differing but little from cerates, except in consistence, which is about that of butter.

[The following are the officinal ointments of the Ph. U. S., with the formulæ for their preparation.

[1. *Unguentum Antimonii*. Antimonial ointment. Tartrate of antimony and potassa, in very fine powder, ℥ij.; lard, ℥j. Mix.

[2. *Ung. Aquæ Rosæ*. Ointment of rose water (cold cream). Rose water, oil of almonds, each, f℥ij.; spermaceti, ℥ss.; white wax, ℥j. Melt together by means of a water bath, the oil, spermaceti, and wax; then add the rose water and stir till cold.

[3. *Ung. Cantharidis*. Ointment of Spanish flies. Spanish flies, in powder, ℥ij.; distilled water, Oss. Boil together to one half and strain. Mix the strained liquor with resin cerate, ℥viiij.; and evaporate to a proper consistence.

[4. *Ung. Creasoti*. Ointment of creasote. Creasote, f℥ss.; lard, melted, ℥j. Mix till cold.

[5. *Ung. Cupri Subacetatis*. Ointment of subacetate of copper. Simple ointment, ℥xv.; melt and add subacetate of copper, in fine powder, ℥j. Stir till cold.

[6. *Ung. Gallæ*. Ointment of galls. Galls, in powder, ℥j.; lard, ℥vij. Mix.

[7. *Ung. Hydrargyri*. Mercurial ointment. Mercury, ℥ij.; lard, ℥xxiii.; suet, ℥j. Rub the mercury with the suet and a small portion of the lard until the globules disappear; then add the remainder of the lard and mix.

[8. *Ung. Hydrargyri Ammoniati*. Ointment of ammoniated mercury. Simple ointment, ℥iss.; melt and add ammoniated mercury, ℥j. Mix.





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of puberty. This bone completes the brim of the pelvis, and is divided into three parts, viz. the *body*, forming part of the socket of the thigh-bone; the *angle*, or crest; and the *ramus*, joining the ramus of the ischium.

**UPAS.** *Antsjar.* The *Antiaris toxicaria* of Java, an Urticaceous plant, one of the most virulent of known poisons, the concrete juice of which has nevertheless been used medicinally.

*Upas Radja* or *Tjettek.* One of the most dangerous of known poisons, prepared in Java from the bark of the root of the *Strychnos Tiente*; it acts like *nuxvomica*, but in a more violent manner.

**URACHUS** (*οὔρον*, urine, *χέω*, to pour). A fibrous cord which is attached to the apex of the bladder, and ascends to the umbilicus; it is formed by the obliteration of a tubular communication in the embryo, and appears destined solely to fix the bladder.

**URANIUM.** A metal discovered in 1789, in the mineral called, from its black colour, *pitch-blende*. It was named by Klaproth after the new planet Uranus, the discovery of which took place in the same year.

**URATES.** Compounds of uric or lithic acid with the salifiable bases.

**URCEOLUS** (dim. of *urceus*, a water pitcher). A small pitcher-like body, formed by the two bracts which, in the genus *Carex*, become confluent at their edges, and enclose the pistil.

**UREA** (*οὔρον*, urine). A principle peculiar to the urine, and considered as a result of the action of the kidneys upon some of the constituents of the blood; perhaps, as Dr. Prout suggests, upon its albuminous matter.

**URE'DO** (*uro*, to burn). An itching or burning sensation of the skin, which accompanies several diseases.

**UREOLATE.** Pitcher-shaped; as applied to the envelope formed by the two confluent bracts of *Carex*, to certain corollas, &c.

**URETER** (*οὔρον*, urine). The membranous tube which transmits the urine from the kidney into the bladder.

**URE'THRA** (*οὔρον*, urine). The excretory canal of the bladder, commencing at the neck of this organ, and terminating at the meatus upon the glans penis. It is divided into three portions, viz.

1. The *prostatic portion*, a little more than an inch in length, and situated in the prostate gland.

2. The *membranous portion*, a little less than an inch in length, and situated

within the two layers of the deep perineal fascia.

3. The *spongy portion*, so named from being enclosed by the corpus spongiosum penis. The commencement of the corpus spongiosum forms the *bulb*, and hence the included urethra is called the *bulbous portion*.

**URETICA** (*οὔρον*, urine). Medicines which promote a discharge of urine.

**URIC ACID** (*οὔρον*, urine). *Lithic acid*. A common constituent of urinary and gouty concretions; and of healthy urine, combined with ammonia or some other alkali.

**URINE** (*οὔρον*). The fluid secreted by the kidneys from the arterial blood. The ancients considered the urine as a kind of extract of animal substances, a true lixivium, by which every thing impure in the animal economy was washed away; hence they gave it the name of *lotium*.

1. *Urina chyli; urina potûs.* These terms denote, respectively, the urine secreted subsequently to the digestion of food, and the tasteless limpid urine secreted after fluids have been taken.

2. *Urine, incontinence of.* The involuntary flow of the urine out of the bladder. It is the reverse of retention.

3. *Urine, retention of.* An inability, total or partial, of expelling the urine contained in the bladder.

4. *Urine, suppression of.* This affection properly points out a defect in the secretion of the kidneys.

5. *Urinary fistula.* A deep, narrow ulcer, leading into some of the urinary passages.

6. *Urinary abscess.* Extravasations of urine may be in three different states: the fluid may be collected in a particular pouch; or it may be widely diffused in the cellular membrane; or it may present itself in a purulent form, after having excited inflammation and suppuration in the parts among which it is situated.

7. *Urinal.* *Urinatorium.* A vessel for receiving the urine in cases of incontinence.

**URN.** The peculiar theca or capsule of mosses, containing the spores. It is placed at the apex of a stalk or *seta*, bearing on its summit a hood or *calyptra*, and closed by a lid or *operculum*.

**UROPLANIA** (*οὔρον*, urine, *πλάνη*, wandering). Erratic urine; an affection, in which a urinous fluid is secreted from various parts of the body, as the salivary glands, the stomach, the lining membrane of the ventricles of the brain, &c.



**URTICACEÆ** (*urtica*, a nettle). The Nettle tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees or shrubs with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* apetalous, solitary, or clustered; *ovarium* superior, 2-celled; *fruit*, a simple indehiscent nut.

[*Urtica dioica*. Common nettle. The leaves, seeds, and roots were formerly considered diuretic and astringent, and were used in various complaints.

[*Urtica urens*. Dwarf nettle. Possesses similar properties.]

**URTICARIA** (*urtica*, a nettle). Nettle-rash; itching, nettle-sting wheals, fading and reviving, and wandering from part to part. It is named from the resemblance of the eruption to that produced by the nettle.

**URTICATION** (*urtica*, a nettle). The act of whipping a palsied or benumbed limb with nettles, to restore its feeling.

**USQUEBAUGH**. *Escubac*. The original name in Ireland for whiskey. A liqueur made of brandy, saffron, mace, orange-peel, citrons, and sugar.

**UTERO-GESTATION**. The period of pregnancy, commencing with conception, and terminating with delivery.

**UTERUS** (*ὑστέρα*). The womb; a flattened organ, of a pyriform shape, having its base turned upward, and corresponding in its direction with the axis of the inlet of the pelvis. It is distinguished into four parts, viz.

1. The *fundus*, or upper part.
2. The *body*, or the largest part.
3. The *cervix*, or the narrow neck.
4. The *os tincæ*, or the orifice.

**UTRICULUS** (diminutive of *uter*, a leathern bag). A little sac. Hence the term *utriculus communis*, applied to the larger of the two sacs of the vestibule; the smaller is called *sacculus proprius*.

*Utriculus*, in Botany. The peculiar fruit of *Amaranthus*, *Chenopodium*, &c. It is a caryopsis, the pericarp of which has no adhesion with the integuments of the seeds.

**UVA PASSA**. A dried grape, or raisin; the dried fruit of the black-raisin and white-raisin grape.

**UVA URSI**. A species of *Arctostaphylos*, called Bear-berry, Trailing Arbutus, Bear's Wortle-berry, Wild Cranberry, &c.; used in cases of irritable bladder.

**UVEA** (*uva*, grape). The posterior surface of the iris, so called from its resemblance in colour to a ripe grape. See *Iris*.

**UVULA** (dim. of *uva*, a grape). The pendulous body which hangs down from the middle of the soft palate.

*Uvula vesicæ*. A small tubercle, situated in the neck of the bladder, formed by the projection of the mucous membrane.

## V

**VACCINATION** (*vacca*, a cow). The act of inserting vaccine matter; inoculation for the cow-pox.

**VACCINE MATTER**. The lymph contained within the vaccine pustule.

**VACCINIA** (*vacca*, a cow). Inoculated Cow-pox; a circular vesicle confined to the place of puncture, surrounded with a red areola, and concreting into a hard dark-coloured scab. In Ireland, the disease in the cow is called *shinach*, a term derived from two Celtic words, signifying *udder* and *cow*. The following are its varieties:

1. *Natural Cow-pox*, immediately received by milking a diseased animal.
2. *Spurious Cow-pox*, resembling the genuine disease, but destitute of its prophylactic power.
3. *Inoculated Cow-pox*, or the disease propagated by inserting genuine virus.
4. *Degenerated Cow-pox*, so named by

Sir Gilbert Blane, and destitute of prophylactic power.

**VACUUM** (*vacuus*, empty). Literally, an empty place. This term generally denotes the interior of a close vessel, from which the atmospheric air and every other gas has been extracted, as in the *Torricellian vacuum* of the barometer. The *vacuum* of the air-pump is always imperfect; the vessel is, nevertheless, termed an *exhausted receiver*.

**VAGINA**. Literally, a sheath. The membranous canal which extends from the *os externum* to the *cervix uteri*.

*Vagina funiculi umbilicalis*. The reflected tube of the amnion, which sheaths the umbilical cord.

**VAGINAL PULSE**. A term applied by Osiander to the increased pulsation of the *arteria vaginalis*, which occurs in pregnancy during the imminence of abortion, &c.



**VAGINALIS GULÆ** (*vagina*, a sheath). A muscular coat, chiefly of longitudinal fibres, surrounding the tube of the œsophagus, like a sheath.

**VAGITUS** (*vagio*, to cry as a child or infant). The crying of young children. Celsus applies the term to the screaming of a patient under the surgeon's hands.

**VALERIANACEÆ**. The Valerian tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbs with *leaves* opposite; *flowers* corymbose, paniced, or in heads; *stamens* distinct; *ovarium* inferior, 2-celled; *fruit* dry, indehiscent.

1. *Valeriana officinalis*. Common Valerian, an indigenous plant, with a fetid root, which produces a specific influence on the cerebro-spinal system.

2. *Valerianic* or *valeric acid*. An acid obtained by distillation of the root of *Valeriana officinalis*. Its salts are called *valerianates*.

3. *Valerol*. The name of one of the oils—the less volatile—composing the oil of valerian.

**VALETUDINARIAN** (*valetudo*, health). One who is weakly, sickly, or infirm of health.

**VALLEY** (*vallis*). The name of a depression of the cerebellum, in which is lodged the commencement of the spinal marrow.

[**VALLET'S FERRUGINOUS PILLS**. See *Pilulæ ferri carbonatis*.]

**VALONIA**. The acorn of the *Quercus ægilops*. It contains tannin.

**VALSALVA, SINUSES OF**. The name of three prominences, formed by dilatation of the walls of the aorta, in the places which correspond to the sigmoid valves.

**VALVE** (*valvæ*, folding-doors). A close lid affixed to a tube or opening in some vessel, by means of a hinge, or other movable joint, and which can be opened only in one direction. Hence it signifies a little membrane which prevents the return of fluid in the blood-vessels and absorbents.

**VALVULA** (dim. of *valve*). A little valve.

1. *Valvula Vieussenii*. Valvula cerebri. The name of a lamina which ascends, behind the tubercula quadrigemina, towards the cerebellum.

2. *Valvulæ conniventes*. The name of the numerous folds observed upon the inner surface of the mucous membrane of the duodenum.

**VANADIUM** (*Vanadis*, a Scandinavian deity). A newly-discovered metal, found combined with lead and iron

ores. It occurs in the state of *vanadic acid*.

**VANILLA**. The dried fruit of the *Vanilla aromatica*, and probably of other species, used in the manufacture of chocolate, of liqueurs, &c. It contains a great quantity of essential oil, and of benzoic acid.

**VAPORARIUM** (*vapor*, vapour). A vapour-bath.

**VAPORIZATION**. The conversion of a liquid or solid body into vapour. This may be considered under two heads, viz.

1. *Ebullition*, or the production of vapour so rapidly, that its escape causes a visible commotion in the liquid; the temperature at which this takes place, is called the *boiling point*.

2. *Evaporation*, or the production of vapour in a quiet and insensible manner at common temperatures.

**VAPOUR** (*vapor*). Any liquid expanded into an elastic or gaseous fluid, by means of heat. It differs from *gas* in its want of permanency, for it returns into the liquid state, when exposed to a diminished temperature. Bodies which are so convertible by heat, are termed *volatile*; those which resist the heat of the furnace without vaporising, are said to be *fixed* in the fire.

**VAPOUR DOUCHE**. A topical vapour-bath, consisting in the direction of a jet of aqueous vapour on some part of the body.

**VAPOURS**. Hypochondriacal maladies; melancholy; spleen.

**VAREC**. The French name for *kelp*, or incinerated sea-weed.

**VARICELLA**. The name given by Willan to the *chicken-pox* of Morton. It consists in an eruption of vesicles, seldom passing into suppuration, but bursting at the tip, and concreting into puckered scabs. It was formerly described by Vidus Vidius under the name of *crystalli*, from the white shining appearance of the vesicles; by Heberden it is named *variola pusillæ*; by others, *variola spuria*, *volaticæ*, and *lymphaticæ*; by Frank, *pemphigus variolodes vesicularis*.

**VARICOCELE** (*varix*, a distended vein, κήλη, a tumour). An enlargement and distension of the blood-vessels of the scrotum. A varicose enlargement of the spermatic veins, is called *cirsocele*.

[**VARICOSE**. Belonging to or dependent on varix.]

**VARIOLA** (quasi *parvi vari*, small spots or pimples). Small-pox; an crup-





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TABLE OF THE ARTERIES.

I. PULMONARY ARTERY.

This divides into two branches, one of which is distributed to each lung.

II. AORTA.

1. ARTERIES FURNISHED BY THE AORTA AT ITS ORIGIN.  
Anterior and Posterior Coronary.

2. ARTERIES FURNISHED BY THE ARCH OF THE AORTA.  
Arteria innominata. The first given off by the arch.  
Primitive carotid.—Divided into external and internal carotids.

|                   |                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                   | Furnishes                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | 1. Superior thyroid.                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | 2. Lingual, which gives—                                                                 | { 1. The dorsal, and<br>2. The two sub-lingual.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | 3. External maxillary,<br>which furnishes—                                               | { 1. The inferior palatine.<br>2. The sub-mental.<br>3. The coronary arteries of<br>the lips.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|                   | 4. Occipital, which gives the posterior mastoid.                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | 5. Posterior auricular, which furnishes the stylo-mastoid.                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | 6. Inferior pharyngeal.                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | The external carotid terminates in dividing into the<br>temporal and internal maxillary. |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| External carotid. | 7. Temporal artery.                                                                      | { Furnishes<br>1. The transverse artery of<br>the face.<br>2. The anterior auricular.<br>3. The middle temporal.                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                   | 8. Internal maxillary<br>artery.                                                         | { Furnishes<br>1. Middle meningeal.<br>2. Inferior dental.<br>3. Deep posterior temporal.<br>4. Masseteric.<br>5. Pterygoidean.<br>6. Buccal.<br>7. Anterior deep temporal.<br>8. Alveolar.<br>9. Infra-orbital.<br>10. Vidian.<br>11. Superior pharyngeal.<br>12. Superior palatine.<br>13. Spheno-palatine. |
|                   |                                                                                          | { 1. The lacrymal.<br>2. Central artery of the<br>retina.<br>3. Supra-orbital.<br>4. Posterior ciliary.<br>5. Long ciliary.<br>6. Superior and inferior<br>muscular.<br>7. Posterior and anterior<br>ethmoidal.<br>8. Superior and inferior<br>palpebral.<br>9. Nasal.<br>10. Frontal.                        |
|                   | Furnishes                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | 1. Ophthalmic, which<br>gives—                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Internal carotid. | 2. Communicating artery of<br>Willis.                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | 3. Choroid artery.                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | 4. Anterior cerebral.                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                   | 5. Middle cerebral.                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |







4. Inferior mesenteric artery. {  
 Furnishes  
 1. The superior.  
 2. The middle.  
 3. The left colic; and divides into the superior hæmorrhoidal arteries.  
 5. The middle capsular arteries (two on either side).  
 6. Renal or emulgent.  
 7. Spermatic.  
 8. Lumbar (four or five on either side).

5. ARTERIES RESULTING FROM THE BIFURCATION OF THE AORTA.

- The Aorta furnishes a little before its bifurcation— {  
 1. The middle sacral, and divides into the primitive iliacs, which are divided into— {  
 1. The internal, and  
 2. The external iliac artery.

- Internal iliac artery. {  
 Furnishes  
 1. The ilio-lumbar.  
 2. Lateral sacral.  
 3. Glutæal.  
 4. Umbilical.  
 5. Vesical.  
 6. Obturator.  
 7. Middle hæmorrhoidal.  
 8. Uterine.  
 9. Vaginal.  
 10. Ischiatic.  
 11. Internal pudic, which gives— {  
 1. Inferior hæmorrhoidal.  
 2. Artery of the septum scroti.  
 3. Transversus perinæi.  
 4. Artery of the corpus cavernosum.  
 5. Dorsalis penis.

- External iliac artery. {  
 Furnishes  
 1. The epigastric.  
 2. Circumflex ilii, and continues downwards under the name of the femoral artery.

- Femoral artery. {  
 Furnishes  
 1. External epigastric.  
 2. External superficial and deeply-seated pudics. {  
 1. The external and internal circumflex.  
 2. The superior middle and inferior perforating arteries.  
 3. Profunda, which gives—  
 In continuing its course it takes the name of popliteal.

- Popliteal artery. {  
 Furnishes  
 1. The superior middle, external and internal articular arteries.  
 2. The inferior internal and external arteries.  
 3. The anterior tibial; its continuation is called the dorsal artery of the foot, which furnishes— {  
 1. The tarsal.  
 2. Metatarsal.  
 3. Interosseous.  
 4. Dorsal arteries of the great toe.  
 The popliteal is divided into the peroneal, and posterior tibial arteries.

1. Peroneal artery. {  
 Divided into the anterior and posterior fibular.  
 2. Posterior tibial artery. {  
 Divided into internal and external plantar. It forms in anastomosing with the continuation of the anterior tibial, the plantar arch, from which the superior, posterior, inferior, and anterior branches are given off.





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| 1. Subclavians<br>(continued.)                                                     | 3. Internal Jugular<br>(continued.) | 8. Facial Vein, called <i>angular</i> , near the eye, receiving the | 1. Paiebral, and<br>2. Superciliary Veins<br>3. Dorsals of the nose.<br>4. Superior } Coronaries<br>5. Inferior } of the lip.<br>6. Several Buccal and<br>7. Masseteric Veins.<br>8. Ranine.<br>9. Submental, and<br>10. Inferior Palatine. |
| 2. Right Internal Mammary Vein.                                                    |                                     | 9. Lingual and Pharyngeal Veins.                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 3. Inferior Thyroid Vein, opening into the Vena Cava, between the two Subclavians. |                                     | 10. Superior Thyroid.                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 4. Vena Azygos, which receives the                                                 |                                     | 11. Occipital, and                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                                                                                    |                                     | 12. Veins of the Diploe.                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                                                                                    |                                     | 1. Right bronchial.                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                                                                                    |                                     | 2. Intercostal veins.                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                                                                                    |                                     | 3. Semi-azygos.                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

2. VEINS WHICH FORM THE INFERIOR VENA CAVA.

- |                |                                                                |                                                |                                                                                              |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Common Iliacs. | Receive the                                                    | 1. External Iliac, formed by the—              | 1. Femoral or Crural, which is a continuation of the                                         | 1. External Saphena, and | 1. Several abdominal veins.<br>2. Circumflex iliac, and<br>3. External pudic veins. |                                     |
|                |                                                                |                                                | 2. Popliteal, commencing by 3 veins which accompany the fibular arteries, and receiving the— |                          |                                                                                     | 2. Internal Saphena, which receive— |
|                |                                                                |                                                |                                                                                              |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |
|                | 2. Internal Iliac, which receives the—                         | 2. Sacro-lateral Veins.                        | 1. Dorsal veins of the penis, in the male.                                                   |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |
|                |                                                                |                                                | 3. Middle Sacral Vein.                                                                       |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |
|                | 4. Lumbar Veins—four in number on each side, commencing by an— | 5. Spermatic Veins, commencing with the        | 1. Abdominal branch.                                                                         |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |
|                |                                                                |                                                | 2. Dorsal branch.                                                                            |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |
|                | 6. Renal Veins.                                                | 7. Capsular and Adipose Veins.                 | 1. Spermatic plexus, in the male.                                                            |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |
|                |                                                                |                                                | 2. Ovarium, Fallopian tube, &c., in the female.                                              |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |
|                | 8. Hepatic Veins.                                              | 9. Middle, }<br>10. Left, and }<br>11. Right } | Hepatic Veins.                                                                               |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |
|                |                                                                |                                                | 12. Inferior Diaphragmatic Veins, two in number.                                             |                          |                                                                                     |                                     |



## 3. VEINS OF THE HEART.

1. Great Right Coronary.
2. Small right Coronary.
3. Left Coronary Veins.

## 4. VEINS WHICH FORM THE VENA PORTÆ.

- Receives the
1. Veins which correspond to the vasa breviora.
  2. Right and left gastro-epiploic.
  3. Duodenal, and
  4. Pancreatic, veins.
  5. Coronary Vein of the Stomach, and
  6. Small mesenteric vein.
1. Splenic Vein.
2. Superior Mesenteric Vein.

**VASTUS.** A term applied to two portions of the *triceps extensor cruris*, the fleshy mass upon each side being distinguished by the names of *vastus internus* and *externus*, the middle portion by that of *cruræus*.

**VAUQUELINE.** A name which has been given to Strychnia, a chemical principle discovered in *nux vomica*, and in the upas of Java.

**VEAL-SKIN.** An eruption of spots, giving a veal-like appearance to the skin. See *Vitiligo*.

**VEGETABLE ÆTHIOPS.** A charcoal prepared by incinerating *fucus vesiculosus* in a covered crucible.

**VEGETABLE SULPHUR.** *Witch-meal.* A powder procured from the thecæ of the *Lycopodium clavatum*, or Common Club-moss. It is very inflammable, and employed for pyrotechnical purposes.

**VEGETATIONS** (*vegeto*, to grow). A term applied by Corvisart to the fungous excrescences which sometimes appear on the semilunar valves of the aorta, and which he considered as the effect of syphilis. Their appearance is similar to that of the wart-like excrescences which form about the organs of generation, and are commonly termed venereal.

**VEGETO-ALKALI.** *Alkaloid.* A body obtained from the vegetable kingdom, which has the properties of the basic or metallic oxides, and forms salts with acids.

**VEGETO-SULPHURIC ACID.** An acid procured by treating ligneous fibre with sulphuric acid.

**VELUM.** A veil, a piece of linen which hides any part.

1. *Velum interpositum.* A reflection of the pia mater, introduced into the

interior of the brain, through the transverse fissure. It is also called *velum vasculosum*, *tela choroidea*, and, from its similarity to the mesentery of the intestines, *mesentery of the plexus choroïdes*.

2. *Velum palati.* The soft palate; the movable partition which separates the mouth from the pharynx.

**VENA.** A vein; an elastic tube, which conveys the dark or venous blood from the arteries to the heart. [See *Vascular System.*]

1. *Vena cava superior*, or *descendens.* The grand trunk which transmits the blood of the head, the neck, the superior extremities, and part of the circulation of the thorax, to the heart.

2. *Vena cava inferior*, or *ascendens.* The large trunk which extends from the articulation of the fourth and fifth lumbar vertebræ to the right auricle of the heart.

3. *Vena portæ.* The large trunk which extends along the groove of the liver. The canal which it seems to form under that organ, has been termed the *sinus of the vena portæ*.

4. *Vena arteriosa.* The portal vein; so called because it ramifies like an artery, and conveys blood for secretion; but it is an arterial vein in another sense, being a vein to the hepatic artery, and an artery to the hepatic vein.—*Kiernan.*

5. *Vena azygos* (*a*, priv., ζυγός, a yoke). A vein of the thorax, which has no corresponding vein—*no yoke-fellow.*

6. *Vena semi-azygos.* A considerable branch which ascends parallel to the vena azygos, on the left side of the vertebræ.

7. *Vena basilica.* The royal or large vein of the arm. The ancients termed



the basilic vein of the right arm, the vein of the liver, or *vena hepatica brachii*; and that of the left, *vena splenica brachii*. See *Salvatella*.

8. *Vena cephalica pollicis*. The vein of the back of the thumb, which passes over the outside of the wrist. From this vein, and the division of the plexus of the back of the hand, proceeds the *cephalica minor*, or *radialis externa*, which, as it rises upon the outside of the humerus, becomes the *great cephalic vein*.

9. *Venæ Galeni*. Two parallel branches, by which the choroid plexus returns its blood. They terminate in the *straight sinus*.

10. *Venæ peroneæ*. The two or three *venæ comites* of the fibular artery.

11. *Venæ vorticose*. A designation of the veins which principally compose the *external venous* layer of the choroid membrane, from the vorticose marking which they present on the membrane.

VENA MEDINENSIS. This is the *irk Medini* of the Arabian writers, improperly translated *vena*, instead of *vermis Medinensis*, or the Guinea-worm.

VENESECTIO (*vena*, a vein, *sectio*, a division). Phlebotomy. The opening a vein for the purpose of blood-letting. See *Blood-letting*.

VENTRAL (*venter*, the belly). A term applied to that suture of the legume to which the seeds are attached; the opposite suture is the *dorsal*.

VENTRICOSE. Bellying; inflated in some part.

VENTRICULUS (dim. of *venter*, the belly). The stomach, the principal organ of digestion. The term *ventricle* is also applied to two cavities of the heart, which communicate with the two auricles; and to several cavities of the brain.

1. *Ventriculus succenturiatus*. A reserve stomach; a name of the duodenum.

2. *Ventriculi tricornes*. The three-horned ventricles; a designation of the two lateral ventricles of the brain, from their being prolonged into certain cavities called *horns*.

3. *Ventriculus Arantii*. The ventricle of Arantius; a small cavity situated at the point of the *calamus scriptorius*.

4. *Ventriculus laryngis*. The ventricle of the larynx; a depressed fossa, situated immediately above the horizontal projection of the *chorda vocalis*, at each side.

VENTRILOQUISM (*venter*, the belly, *loquor*, to speak). Speaking, as it were,

from the belly; a particular modification of the voice.

VENUS. The name given by the old chemists to copper. Hence the term *sales veneris*, a former designation of the saline combinations of copper.

VERATRIA. *Sabadillin*. A vegetable alkaloid obtained from *sabadilla*, or the seeds of the *Asagræa officinalis*, [*Veratrum Sabadilla*, Ph. U. S.]

1. *Veratric acid*. A crystalline, volatile acid, obtained from *sabadilla*.

2. *Veratrin*. Resin of *veratria*; a brown solid substance obtained from *sabadilla*.

3. *Sales veratriæ*. The sulphate and tartrate of *veratria*, prepared by saturating *veratria* with sulphuric or tartaric acid.

VERATRUM ALBUM. White Hellebore, an endogenous plant of the order *Melanthaceæ*. The generic name *veratrum* appears to be derived from the blackness of the rhizome, quasi *vere atrum*. Two new bases have been discovered in the rhizome, viz., *barytin* and *jervin*.

[*Veratrum viride*. American Hellebore. This species, which is indigenous, resembles its European congener in its effects on the system, though said to be destitute of purgative properties. It is an active emetic, exerts a powerful influence over the nervous system, producing faintness, somnolency, vertigo, dilated pupils, &c.]

VERBASCUM THAPSUS. The Great Mullein or High Taper; a European plant of the order *Scrophulariaceæ*. The generic term appears to be derived from the shagginess of the plants, quasi *barbascum*, from *barba*, a beard. Fishes are stupefied by the seeds.

[VERBENA OFFICINALIS. *Vervain*. A European plant of the family *Verbenaceæ*, esteemed by the ancients, but not now used.]

VERDIGRIS (*verde-gris*, Sp.) An impure acetate of peroxide of copper, of a beautiful bluish green colour, formed from the corrosion of copper by fermented vegetables.

1. *Distilled verdigris*. The improper name under which the green salt is found in commerce.

2. *English verdigris*. A spurious kind, consisting of sulphate of copper and acetate of lead; to make the fraud more complete, the soft mass is mixed with the stalks of raisins.

VERDITER. A blue pigment, obtained by adding chalk or whiting to the solution of copper in aquafortis.

VERJUICE (*verjus*, Fr.) A kind of





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**VERTEBRA** (*verto*, to turn). A bone of the spine, so named from its *turning* upon the adjoining one. A vertebra consists of several elements, which are found most isolated and distinct in the lowest classes of animals, and in the embryo state of the highest: these are distinguished by Dr. Grant, into

1. The *cyclo-vertebral* element, or the round body forming the centre.

2. The *peri-vertebral* elements, or the two superior laminæ which encompass the spinal chords.

3. The *epi-vertebral* elements, or the two portions of the superior spinous process.

4. The *para-vertebral* elements, or the two inferior laminæ, which form a cavity for the blood-vessels.

5. The *cata-vertebral* elements, or the two portions of the inferior spinous process.

#### *General Divisions of a Vertebra.*

1. A *body*, or the main part, forming the centre of the spine, and bearing, chiefly, the weight of the body.

2. An *articulating process*, by which it is joined to the next vertebra. This is sometimes called the *oblique process*—the upper one, the *ascending oblique*; the lower one, the *descending oblique process*.

3. The *spinous processes*, which project directly backward, forming with their points the ridge of the back; it is from their sharpness that the whole vertebral column is called *The spine*.

4. The *transverse processes*, which stand out at right angles, or transversely, from the body of the vertebra.

5. The *foramina*, or holes for lodging the spinal marrow, transmitting the blood-vessels, and attaching the ligaments.

#### *Position and Number of Vertebrae.*

1. The *Cervical*, or those of the neck, seven in number, and characterized by having their transverse processes perforated for the passage of the vertebral artery. The first of these is called the *atlas*, from its immediately supporting the head; the second, the *dentata*, *odontoides*, or *axis*, from its axis, or tooth-like process, upon which it turns; and the lowest, *vertebra prominens*, from its spinous process being so much longer than the others.

2. The *Dorsal*, or those of the back, twelve in number. These are distinguished by having articular surfaces for the heads of the ribs.

3. The *Lumbar*, or those of the loins, five in number, and distinguished by

their size, and the length of the transverse processes.

**VERTEBRAL ARTERY.** A large artery, so named from its passing through a bony canal, formed for it by the perforations of the cervical vertebræ. This, and the *Carotid*, are the arteries of the brain.

**VERTEBRATA.** Animals which have an internal skeleton, supported by a vertebral column.

**VERTEX** (*verto*, to turn). The top or crown of the head.

**VERTICILLUS** (*verto*, to turn about). A whorl; that arrangement of leaves upon the stem, when more than two of them are opposite, or upon the same plane, as in *Galium*.

**VERTIGO** (*vertex*, or *vortex*, a whirlpool). Giddiness; dizziness, with a fear of falling. It is a popular expression to say the *brain turns*.

**VERU MONTANUM.** A little eminence in the urethra, at the termination of the ductus ejaculatorius. It is also called *caput gallinaginis*, or the woodcock's head.

**VESANIA.** Madness. An order in Cullen's Nosology, comprehending diseases in which the judgment is impaired, without coma or pyrexia.

**VESICA.** A bladder. The urinary bladder is termed *vesica urinaria*; the gall bladder, *cystis fellea*.

**VESICATORIUM** (*vesica*, a bladder). A vesicatory, epispastic, or blister.

*Vesicatory Silk.* A substitute for the common blistering plaster. The following is the formula of Cadet de Gassicourt:—Tincture of cantharides, q. s., evaporate, and, when in a state of sufficient concentration, spread it hot upon silk stretched on a frame; it will be necessary then to spread two or three layers one upon another.

*Guilbert's Epispastic Silk.* Mezereon bark, 24 parts; water, 1500 parts. Boil, strain, and add pulverized cantharides, myrrh, euphorbium, āā 192 parts. Boil, strain through a double linen cloth, and evaporate until the liquor is of sufficient density to allow it to be spread upon waxed silk.

**VESICULA** (dim. of *vesica*, a bladder). A vesicle or little bladder. A small elevation of the cuticle, containing a transparent, serous fluid.

1. *Vesicula umbilicalis.* A vesicle containing a yellowish fluid, situated between the chorion and the amnios, and connected with the foetus. It is also called *vesicula alba*.

2. *Vesiculae accessoriae.* The name of



certain blind ducts, opening into the urethra, near its commencement, observed in most Rodentia.

3. *Vesiculæ seminales*. Two small bags situated at the base of the prostate gland, forming reservoirs for the seminal fluid.

4. *Vesicles of Naboth*. Small semi-transparent vesicles on the interior of the cervix uteri, which were mistaken by Naboth for ovula.

5. *Vesicles of Degraaf*. From fifteen to twenty small transparent vesicles in the midst of the lobules composing the parenchyma of the ovaries. According to Baër, they contain germs, and, when burst, leave the appearance of what are called *corporea lutea*, or yellow bodies.

**VESTIBULE** (*vestibulum*, a threshold). A small oval cavity of the internal ear, so named from its forming an entry to the cochlea and semicircular canals. This term is also applied to a triangular space which separates the nymphæ from each other.

**VETA, or MAREA** (sea-sickness). The vulgar name of an affection prevalent in South America, and described by Lieut. Smyth, who experienced it in 1834, while crossing the Andes, as "an acute pain passing through the temples to the lower part of the back of the head, and completely disabling the person affected."

**VEXILLUM** (dim. of *velum*, a veil). A standard, or small banner; a term applied to the upper petal of a papilionaceous corolla, from its erect and expanded state.

**VIAE LACRYMALES**. The tear passages; a collective term for the double apparatus for the secretion and excretion of the tears. Each of them consists of the lacrymal gland, the puncta lacrymalia, the lacrymal ducts, the lacrymal sac, and the nasal canal.

**VIABILITY** (*via*, a way). A term expressing the capability which a child has of supporting extra-uterine or independent existence.

**VIBEX, VIBICES**. The large purple spots appearing under the skin in certain malignant fevers.

**VIBRISSA** (*vibro*, to quiver). The hair of the nostrils.

**VIDIAN NERVE**. A designation of the *pterygoid* nerve, from Vidus Vidius, a professor at Paris. [See *Pterygoideus*.]

**VIGAN'S ELIXIR**. Sweet elixir of vitriol; or the Sp. *Ætheris Aromaticus*.

**VILLOUS**. Covered with long, soft, shaggy hair.

**VILLUS**. Literally, the shaggy hair

of beasts. Some of the membranes of the body, as the mucous membrane of the stomach and of the intestinal canal, present a surface of minute papillæ, termed *villi* or villosities, resembling a downy tissue, continually covered with fluid. See *Ampullula*.

**VINEGAR**. Acetic acid, derived by the action of air upon alcoholic liquors, as wine and beer; by the contact of platinum black with alcohol, &c.

*Wood Vinegar*. Pyroligneous acid, procured by the distillation of wood.

**VINEGAR EEL**. The *anguililla aceti*, a microscopic animal which is generated and nourished in vinegar.

**VINUM**. Wine; the juice of the grape, or fruit of the *Vitis vinifera*.

1. *Vinum Xericum*. Vinum album Hispanicum, or Sherry, the officinal wine employed in the preparation of the *vina medicata*, or medicated wines.

2. *Vinum Lusitanicum*. Vinum Portugalicum, or Port wine, usually employed in hospitals, in cases in which a stimulant and tonic is required.

3. *Vinum Burgundicum*. Burgundy wine; a stimulant and somewhat astringent wine, rarely used for medicinal purposes.

4. *Vinum Campanicum*. Champagne; a diuretic wine, occasionally employed to allay vomiting, owing to the evolution of carbonic acid.

5. *Vinum Maderaicum*. Madeira; a more stimulating wine than sherry; an excellent wine for invalids.

6. *Vinum Rhenanum*. Rhine wine, comprising Hock and Moselle. Their acidity adapts them for use in cases of phosphatic deposits in the urine.

7. *Vinum Rubellum*. Claret; a wine adapted for the same cases as the Rhine wines, but objectionable in gouty cases and lithic acid deposits.

**[VINA MEDICATA**. Medicated Wines. Wines holding medicinal substances in solution. The following are the medicated wines in the Ph. U. S., with the formula for their preparation.

[1. *Vinum aloes*. Wine of aloes. Aloes in powder, ℥j.; Cardamon, bruised; ginger, bruised, each ℥j.; wine, Oj. Macerate for 14 days, with occasional agitation, and filter through paper.

[2. *Vinum colchici radice*. Wine of colchicum root. Colchicum root, well-bruised, lbj.; wine Oij. Macerate for 14 days with occasional agitation; then express strongly and filter. It may also be prepared by displacement.

[3. *Vinum colchici seminis*. Wine of



colchicum seed. Colchicum seeds, bruised, ℥iv.; wine Oij. Macerate for 14 days, with occasional agitation; then express and filter.

[4. *Vinum ergotæ*. Wine of ergot. Ergot, bruised, ℥ij.; wine, Oj. Macerate for 14 days with occasional agitation; then express and filter.

[5. *Vinum Ipecacuanhæ*. Wine of Ipecacuanha. Ipecacuanha, bruised, ℥ij.; wine Oij. Macerate for 14 days, with occasional agitation; then express and filter.

[6. *Vinum Opii*. Wine of opium. (Sydenham's laudanum.) Opium, in powder, ℥ij.; cinnamon, bruised; cloves, bruised, each, ℥j.; wine, Oj. Macerate for 14 days, and then express and filter.

[7. *Vinum rhei*. Wine of rhubarb. Rhubarb, bruised, ℥ij.; canella, bruised, ℥j.; diluted alcohol, f℥ij.; wine, Oj. Macerate for 14 days, with occasional agitation; then express and filter.

[8. *Vinum Tabaci*. Wine of tobacco. Tobacco, cut in pieces, ℥j.; wine, Oj. Macerate for 14 days, with occasional agitation; then express and filter.

[9. *Vinum Veratri Albi*. Wine of white hellebore. White hellebore, bruised, ℥iv.; wine, Oj. Macerate for 14 days, with occasional agitation; then express and filter.]

**VIOLACEÆ** (*viola*, a violet). The Violet tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Herbs with *leaves* usually alternate; *flowers* polypetalous; *petals* hypogynous; *stamens* alternate with the petals; *ovarium* 1-celled, many-seeded.

1. *Viola Odorata*. The Sweet Violet, a European plant, formerly used in medicine.

[2. *Viola Pedata*. An indigenous species; the herb is officinal, Ph. U. S. It is considered a useful expectorant and demulcent. Another indigenous species, the *V. ovata*, has been recommended as a remedy for the bite of the rattlesnake.]

3. *Violina*. Violine; also called *emetine of the violet*, or *indigenous emetine*; an alkaline principle obtained from the roots, leaves, flowers, and seeds of the *Viola odorata*, similar to the emetine of ipecacuanha. It is said by M. Orfila to be highly poisonous.

**VIRGIN'S MILK**. A favourite cosmetic, prepared by mixing one drachm of the simple tincture of benzoin with four ounces of water.

**VIRGIN OIL**. This is the substance which flows first from the pulp of the ripe juice of the olive, on expression.

**VIRGINIC ACID**. An oily acid ob-

tained from Seneka root, and named from Virginia, whence, the plant was originally sent by Dr. Tennent, in 1738.

**VIRUS** (*vis*, violence). Venom, poison; a term used synonymously with contagion.

**VIS**. Force; power; a term expressive of strength in general. Hence—

1. *Vis à tergo*. Literally, force from behind; a term applied to the force communicated from the ventricles of the heart to the blood in the arteries, capillaries, and veins.

2. *Vis cellulosa*. A term applied by Blumenbach to the contraction which membrane occasionally undergoes, when it has been over-distended, and the distending force withdrawn, as in the propulsion of the serous exhalation into the lymphatic vessels. It is very different from the *contractility* of the muscular fibre.

3. *Vis formativa*. The formative process; the process by which the parts of the body are nourished, and the secretions are promoted.

4. *Vis inertie*. Inertness, or the principle of inactivity, by which a body perseveres in the same state of rest or motion, in a straight line, unless obliged to change it by a foreign force.

5. *Vis incita*. The name given by Haller, Girtanner, &c., to irritability of the muscular fibre, arising from the action of a stimulus. By Goerter, it was called *vis vitalis*.

6. *Vis nervea*. The name given by Haller to that power in the muscular fibre which enables it to receive impressions conveyed to it by the nerves.

7. *Vis medicatrix naturæ*. A power supposed by Cullen to preside over the living body, and to possess a faculty of resisting, to a certain extent, the effects of disease.

8. *Vismortua*. That property by which a muscle contracts, after the death of the animal to which it belongs, or after having been cut from a living body.

9. *Vis suctionis vel attractionis*. A term applied to the supposed power by which an organ creates for itself an increased afflux of blood, or becomes congested.

10. *Vis vitæ*. The natural power of the animal body in preserving life.

**VISCUS**. Pl. *Viscera*. A bowel, or intestine. Any organ which has an appropriate use.

[**VISCUM ALBUM**. Mistletoe. A European parasite plant, of the family Caprifoliaceæ, which once enjoyed great repu-





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**VOCAL LIGAMENTS.** *Vocal cords.* A name given to the thyro-arytænoid articulation.

**VOLATILITY** (*volatilis*, from *volo*, to fly). A property of bodies, by which they are disposed to assume the state of vapour, and *fly off*.

**VOLTA, PILE OF.** An apparatus consisting of plates of zinc, and silver, and pieces of moistened woollen cloth, piled in the order of zinc, silver, cloth; zinc, silver, cloth; for twenty or more repetitions. See *Galvanism*.

*Volta-meter.* A cell of decomposition, containing dilute sulphuric acid, and so formed as to admit of the evolved gases being collected and measured.

**VOLUBLE.** Twisting; as applied to stems which twist around other bodies, the hop to the right, the bindweed to the left.

**VOLUME** (*volumen*, from *volvo*, to roll). The *apparent* space which a body occupies is called its *volume*; the *effective* space which the same body occupies, or its real bulk of matter, is its *mass*; the relation of the mass to the volume (or the quotient of the one by the other) is its *density*; and the empty spaces, or voids, which render the volume larger than the mass, are its *pores*.

*Definite Volumes.* The union of gases is always effected in simple proportions of their volumes: a volume of one gas combines with an equal volume, or twice or three times the volume, of another gas, and in no intermediate proportion; this is called the law of *definite volumes*.

**VOLVA** (*volvo*, to roll). The wrapper

which covers many Fungaceous plants in their early state, as the Agarics.

**VOLVULUS** (*volvo*, to roll up). *Intussusceptio.* A disease produced by the passing of one portion of an intestine into another, commonly the upper into the lower part.

**VOMER** (*a ploughshare*). A bone of the nose, forming the partition between the nostrils, and so named from its resemblance to a ploughshare.

**VOMICA** (*vomo*, to spit up). An abscess or imposthume of the lungs; so called, because it discharges a sanies.

**VOMITURITIO** (*vomo*, to vomit). Retching. An ineffectual effort to vomit.

**VOMITUS** (*vomo*, to vomit). The act of vomiting; this consists of a forcible contraction of the muscles of *expiration*, and of those only, the glottis being closed, and the cardia opened.

[**VULNERARY** (*vulnus*, a wound). A medicine which possesses the property of favouring the healing of wounds.]

**VULPIS MORBUS.** *Alopecia.* Literally, fox-disease. Baldness; decay and fall of the hair. It is so named from the fox being supposed to lose its hair sooner than any other quadruped. See *Fluxus Capillorum*.

**VULTUS** (*volo*, to will). The looks, the countenance; that which declares the sentiments of the mind. Compare *Facies* and *Frons*.

**VULVA.** An elliptic opening enclosed by the labia majora of the pudendum, or external parts of generation in the female.

*Vulva cerebri.* A small aperture of the brain, forming the part by which the three ventricles communicate.

## W

**WADD.** A name given to plumbago, or black-lead.

*Black wadd.* An ore of manganese found in Derbyshire; remarkable for its property of taking fire when mixed with linseed oil.

**WARE'S GOLDEN OINTMENT.** An ointment for ophthalmia and ulcers, consisting of fresh butter ℥j., and ℥j. of the powder of nitrated oxide of mercury.

**WARM-BLOODED.** A term applied to the mammalia and birds which have a twofold circulation, and are in fact diplo-cardiac. See *Cardiac*.

[**WARNER'S GOUT CORDIAL.** See *Tinctura Rhei et Sennæ*.]

**WART.** *Verruca.* A hard protuberance or excrescence of the skin.

**WASH.** The technical term for the fermented liquor, of any kind, from which spirit is intended to be distilled.

**WASHERWOMAN'S SCALL.** *Psoriasis lotorum*; a species of scall which appears on the wrists and fore-arms of washerwomen, from the irritation of soap.

**WATER-GILDING.** The process of gilding by the application of amalgam of gold to the surface of metals; the mercury of the amalgam is driven off by heat, and a thin coating of gold remains.



**WATER OF CRYSTALLIZATION.**

That portion of water which combines in a dry state with many substances, forming an essential condition of their crystalline character.

**WATER-TIGHT.** That degree of closeness in a vessel, or tube, which prevents the passage of water.

**WAX-PAPER.** *Charta cerata.* Melt, in a water-bath, 48 parts each of white wax and fine turpentine, and 32 parts of spermaceti, and spread on paper.

**WEB.** The old English term for *Caligo*, or opacity of the eye, from its giving the idea of a film spreading across the sight. Hence Shakspeare, in *King Lear*: "This is the foul fiend Flibbertigibbet: he gives the WEB and the PIN; squints the eye, and makes the hare-lip."

[WEANING. See *Ablactation.*

[WEIGHTS. See *Quantity.*

**WELD, or DYERS' WEED.** The *Reseda luteola*, [q. v.] a plant employed in the dyeing of yellow.

**WELDING.** A property of certain metals, as platinum, by which, at a white heat, an incipient fusion takes place, which covers their surface with a kind of varnish, so that, when brought into contact in this state, different species may be permanently united by forging.

**WEN.** An encysted tumour, presenting the following varieties, viz.—

1. *Steatoma.* Adipose wen.
2. *Atheroma.* Mealy wen.
3. *Melliceris.* Honeyed wen.
4. *Testudo.* Horny wen.
5. *Ganglion.* Ganglion.

**WHARTON'S DUCT.** The excretory duct of the sub-maxillary gland.

**WHEAL WORM.** The *Acarus autumnalis*, or Harvest-bug; so named from the glossy wheals which its bite produces.

**WHEAT.** *Tritici semina.* The grains (caryopsides) of the *Triticum hybernum*, or Common Wheat. When ground and sifted in mills, they form *flour*, or *farina tritici*, and *bran*, or *furfur tritici*. By steeping wheat flour in water, *starch* or *amylum* is procured; and this, when boiled in water, forms a culinary *jelly*, which is hydrate of starch.

**WHELK.** *Ionthus.* An unsuppurative tubercular tumour, generally occurring on the face.

**WHEY.** *Serum lactis.* The fluid part of milk, which remains after the curd has been separated.

**WHITE GUM.** The *Strophulus albidus*, a species of gum-rash, in which the pimples are minute, hard, and whitish, surrounded by a reddish halo.

**WHITE LEAD.** See *Cerussa* and *Lead.*

**WHITE PRECIPITATE.** A compound formed when ammonia is added to a solution of chloride of mercury.

**WHITE SWELLING.** *Hydarthrus.* A colourless swelling, chiefly of the larger joints. It may commence in the synovial membrane, in the cartilages, or in the bones.

**WHITES.** The vulgar name for leucorrhœa, or the discharge of a yellowish-white mucus from the vagina. See *Leucorrhœa.*

**WHITING.** Chalk cleared of its impurities, ground in a mill, and made up into small loaves.

**WHITLOW.** *Onychia; Paronychia.* An inflammation at the end of one of the fingers, or thumbs, very painful, and much disposed to suppurate. The effusion may be immediately under the skin; among the tendons; or it may press on the periosteum; it is to this last, or malignant form, that the term *felon* is most correctly applied.

[WHORLED. A term synonymous with *verticillate.*]

**WILD-FIRE.** A popular name of the *Lichen circumscriptus*, or Clustered Lichen.

**WILD-FIRE RASH.** The *Strophulus volaticus*; a species of gum-rash, in which the pimples are in clusters or patches, generally flying from part to part.

**WILD LICHEN.** The *Lichen ferus*, described by Celsus under the name *agria*, as applied to it by the Greeks, from the violence with which it rages.

**WILSON'S MUSCLE.** The perpendicular portion of the *compressor urethræ*, described by Mr. Wilson. The transverse portion was discovered by Mr. Guthrie, and bears his name.

**WIND CONTUSION.** A contusion supposed to be occasioned by the air, when rapidly displaced by the impetus of a projectile. It is now said to be occasioned by the projectile itself, either striking the body obliquely, or being in the condition of a spent ball.

**WINE TEST.** A reagent for detecting the presence of lead in wine, by converting the acid into a salt of lead. That which is usually sold is made by dissolving half an ounce of sulphuret of arsenic, and one ounce of lime, in half a pint of distilled water, and filtering the solution.

**WINTERACEÆ.** The Winter's Bark tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees or



shrubs, with *leaves* alternate; *flowers* hermaphrodite or unisexual; *stamens* hypogynous; *fruit* consisting of a single row of carpella.

*Wintera aromatica*. An aromatic tree, the bark of which, called *Winter's bark*, is used as an aromatic tonic.

[WINTER GREEN. *Chimaphila umbellata*. q. v.]

WOAD. The *Isatis tinctoria* of botanists; a plant formerly used in the dyeing of blue.

WOLFFIAN BODIES. *False kidneys*. These names were given by Rathke to the substance by which the kidneys are preceded in the embryo, and which was first remarked by Wolff.

WOLFRAM. A mineral consisting of tungstate of manganese and iron, employed for procuring tungsten.

WOODS. *The Woods*. A term applied to sarsaparilla, guaiac, sassafras, and mezereon.

WOODY TISSUE. *Pleurenchyma*. Elongated cells, tapering to each end, and constituting the elementary structure of wood.

WOOLFE'S APPARATUS. An apparatus for impregnating water, for medicinal purposes, with carbonic acid.

WOORALY. A celebrated poison, also called *woorari*, *ourari*, or *urari*, produced by the *Strychnos toxifera* of Guayana. Dr. Hancock considers the bark to be one of the most potent sedatives in nature.

WOOTZ. Indian steel; supposed to be an alloy of steel with small quantities of silicium and aluminum.

WORMIAN BONES. The *Ossa triquetra*, or triangular bones sometimes found in the course of the suture of the parietal and occipital bones, so named from Olaus Wormius, who first described them.

[WORMS. See *Vermes*.]

WORMSEED. The *Spigelia Marilandica*, or Carolina Pink; the root and leaves of which are active anthelmintics.

1. *Wormseed oil*. A powerfully anthelmintic oil obtained from the seeds of the *Chenopodium anthelminticum*.

2. The term *Wormseed* is also applied to a substance consisting, not of the

seeds, but of the broken peduncles, mixed with the calyx and flower-buds, of the *Artemisia santonica*, and also known by the names of *semen santonicum*, *semen cinæ*, *semen contra*, *semen sementina*, &c.

WORMWOOD. The vernacular name of the *Artemisia absinthium*, a European Composite plant, said to be efficacious as an anthelmintic. Its bitter principle is termed *absinthin*.

WORT. Decoction of malt, prepared by boiling three ounces of malt in a quart of water.

WORT (OF HERBALISTS). The Teutonic term for *herb*. Hence the names liver-wort, St. John's-wort, lung-wort, &c.

WOUND. A recent solution of continuity in the soft parts, suddenly occasioned by external causes, and generally attended at first with hæmorrhage.

1. *Incised Wounds* are those made by simple division of the fibres with a sharp cutting instrument, without contusion or laceration.

2. *Lacerated Wounds* are those in which the fibres, instead of being divided by a cutting instrument, have been torn asunder by some violence; the edges, instead of being straight and regular, are jagged or unequal.

3. *Contused Wounds* are those made by a violent blow from some blunt instrument or surface. These resemble the preceding species, and require nearly the same kind of treatment.

4. *Punctured Wounds* are those made with a narrow-pointed instrument, as by the thrust of a sword or bayonet.

5. *Poisoned Wounds* are the bite of a viper, mad dogs, &c.; wounds of the hand in dissection, &c.

6. *Gunshot Wounds* are those caused by hard, metallic bodies, projected from fire-arms.

WRY-NECK. *Caput Obstipum*; *Torticollis*. An involuntary and fixed inclination of the head towards one of the shoulders. Cooper says, it must not be confounded with a mere rheumatic tension and stiffness of the neck, nor with the faulty position of the head, arising from deformity of the cervical vertebræ.

## X

XANTHOS (ξανθός). The Greek term for yellow. Hence,—

1. *Xanthic oxide*. A species of calculus, observed by Dr. Marcet, and named





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an intoxicating beverage. The leaves are first chewed by the women till reduced to a pulp; they then spit it out into a large jar, and leave it to ferment, and after two or three days drink it mixed with water, when it does its work, as Robinson Crusoe says of his glass of rum, "to their exceeding refreshment."

## Z

**ZAFFRE.** The impure oxide of cobalt, which remains after the native arseniuret of this metal has parted with most of its arsenic by repeated roasting.

**ZEDOARY** (*jedwar* or *zadwar*, Arab.) The name given to the tubers of some species of *Curcuma*, the *zedoaria longa* being referred to the *C. zerumbet*; the *zedoaria rotunda* to the *C. zedoaria*.

**ZEINE.** A principle obtained from maize, or Indian corn.

**ZEOLITES** (*ζέω*, to boil, *λίθος*, a stone). A term applied to the silicates of lime and of alumina, from their frothing when heated before the blow-pipe.

**ZERO** (probably from the Arabic *tsaphara*, empty). Nothing. It is used to denote a cypher, and to fill the blank between the ascending and descending numbers in a scale or series.

[**ZERUMBET.** *Cassumunar*. An East India root possessing analogous sensible and medicinal properties to ginger, and formerly used as a medicine.]

**ZINCOID** (*zincum*, zinc, *είδος*, likeness). Like zinc, quasi-zinc; a term applied to the zincous plate which is in connexion with a copper plate in a voltaic circle, and denoting the positive pole, the positive electrode, the anode, and the zincode. See *Chloroid*.

1. *Zinco-lysis* (*λύω*, to decompose). A chemical term equivalent to *electrolysis*, denoting a mode of decomposition occasioned by the inductive action of the affinities of zinc or the positive metal.

2. *Zinco-lyte* (*λύω*, to decompose). A chemical term equivalent to *electrolyte*, denoting a body decomposable by electricity, the decomposition being referred to the action of zinc or the positive metal.

3. *Zincous element*. The basic or positive element of a binary compound. The negative element is termed *chlorous*.

**ZINCUM.** Zinc; a bluish-white metal, found in the form of oxide, or *red zinc*; of sulphuret, or *blende* or *black jack*; of carbonate, or *calamine*; of sulphate, or *white vitriol*; of silicate, or *electric calamine*; and of aluminate, or *automalite* or *gahnite*. It has been called golden

marcasite, Indian tin, and *spelter*. When rolled into thin leaves, it is termed *sheet zinc*.

1. *Flowers or calx of zinc*. Oxide of zinc, formed by exposing the metal to the air at a temperature a little above its melting point, when it flies up in the form of white flowers. It has hence received the fanciful names of *philosophical wool*, and *nihil album*. The ancients called it *pompholyx*. In Holland, it was sold as a secret remedy under the names of *arcanum Ludemanni* and *luna fixata*.

2. *Tutty or furnace cadmia*. Impure oxide of zinc, found in the chimney of the furnace in which zinc ores are roasted, or in which zinciferous lead ores are smelted. When prepared by levigation and elutriation, it is called *prepared tutty*.

3. *Butter of zinc*. Chloride of zinc, also called the muriate or hydrochlorate; a whitish-gray mass, with the consistency of wax.

4. *White Vitriol*. Sulphate of zinc, a crystalline mass resembling lump-sugar, and formerly called *sal vitrioli* and *gilla Theophrasti*.

5. *Calamine*. Impure carbonate of zinc. When calcined, pulverized, and submitted to the process of elutriation, it is called *prepared calamine*.

**ZINGIBER OFFICINALE.** The Narrow-leaved Ginger, the *rhizome* of which constitutes the *ginger-root* of commerce. *Black ginger* is dried, after being scalded, without being scraped; *white ginger*, on the contrary, is carefully scraped. It is stated, however, that there are two ginger plants, the *white* and the *black*. The annual shoots put forth from the perennial rhizome are used for making *preserved ginger*.

*Zingiber Cassamunar*. This is perhaps the plant which yields the *cassamunar root* of the shops.

**ZIRCONIUM.** The metallic basis of *zirconia*, a substance found in the *jargon* or *zircon* from Ceylon, and in the red mineral hyacinth.

**ZONA PELLUCIDA.** A thick membrane, constituting the external invest-



ment of the ovum. By Wagner it is termed *chorion*.

**ZONULA CILIARIS.** A thin vascular layer which connects the anterior margin of the retina with the circumference of the lens.

**ZONULE OF ZINN.** The name given to an assemblage of membranous folds or laminæ observed in the hyaloïd membrane, which project outwards, and are dove-tailed, as it were, with the ciliary processes.

**ZOOGONY** (ζῶον, an animal, γονή, generation). "Zoognie;" a term under which M. Serres treats of the laws, which he supposes to regulate the formation of the organs, or according to which the different parts of which they are composed seem to be produced. These laws are two in number, viz.

1. The law of *Symmetry*, which is designated as "the principle of the double developement of the organs." This principle is also observed in the progress of ossification, the external parts of bones being first visible, and the interior and central parts being composed of productions from these. In consequence of this eccentric progress, the double development of the single parts, which compose the centre of the skeleton, is effected; and hence arises the law of symmetry, by which, with a few exceptions, the two sides of the skeleton correspond with each other.

2. The law of "*Conjugaison*," which is designated as "the principle of their reunion." Thus, the intestinal canal is said to be "un canal de conjugaison, résultant de la double engrenure, antérieure et postérieure, de ses lames qui les constituent primitivement." This principle is also observed in the formation of the various cavities, holes, and canals, which are found in the bones, and which are supposed to be produced by a union of what were originally separate parts.

**ZOOLOGY** (ζῶον, an animal, λόγος, a description). That branch of Natural History which treats of animals. A sketch of Cuvier's arrangement is given in the *Appendix*. The following primary divisions of the Animal Kingdom have been derived from the modifications of the nervous system observed in the living economy of animals.

1. *Cyclo-neura*. This division exhibits the nervous system in the radiated or lowest classes; it is here found in the form of filaments, disposed in a circular manner around the oral extremity of the body.

2. *Diplo-neura*. In this division, comprising the articulated classes, there is observed, almost from the lowest entozoa to the highest crustacea, a double nervous chord or column, reaching along the whole of the ventral surface of the body.

3. *Cyclo-gangliata*. In this division the nervous system is more concentrated around the entrance to the alimentary canal in the molluscous classes, where it generally forms a transverse series of ganglia, disposed around the œsophagus.

4. *Spini-cerebrata*. This division embraces the vertebrated classes, in which the central parts are in the form of a lengthened dorsal nervous chord, developed anteriorly into a brain, and protected by a vertebral column and cranium.

—*Dr. Grant*.

**ZOON** (ζῶον). An animal. Hence,

1. *Zoo-gony* (γονή, generation). The science which treats of the formation of organs.

2. *Zoo-logy* (λόγος, a description). That branch of Natural History which treats of animals.

3. *Zoon-ic acid*. This has been shown by Thenard to be merely the acetous, holding animal matter in solution.

4. *Zoo-nomia* (νόμος, a law). The science which treats of the laws of organic life.

5. *Zoo-phyta* (φύτον, a plant). A class of animals resembling plants.

6. *Zoo-tomy* (τομή, section). The anatomy or dissection of animals.

**ZOOPHYTA** (ζῶον, an animal, φύτον, a plant). Animal plants; a division of the animal kingdom, considered by Cuvier as synonymous with the *Radiata*.

1. *Echino-dermata* (ἐχῖνος, a hedgehog, δέρμα, a skin). Having a spinous skin, as the star-fish, sea-urchin, &c.

2. *Ento-zoa* (ἐντός, within, ζωή, life). Intestinal animals, as the tænia, &c.

3. *Acalephæ* (ἀκαλήφη, a nettle). Sea-nettles, as the medusa, polypus, &c.

4. *Polypi* (πολύς, many, πούς, a foot). Many-footed animals, as the hydra, &c.

5. *Infusoria* (infundo, to pour in). Infusory animalcules, found in infusions or stagnant water, as the monas, &c.

**ZOSTER** (ζωστήρ, a belt). *Zona*; *zona ignea*. Shingles; a species of Herpes, so termed from its surrounding the body, like a belt. See *Shingles*.

**ZUMIC ACID** (ζύμη, leaven). An acid discovered in vegetable substances which have undergone the acetous fermentation: it has been shown that it closely resembles the *lactic* (acetic) acid.



ZYGO'MA (ζυγός, a yoke). The arch formed by the zygomatic processes of the temporal and cheek-bones.

1. *Zygomatic process*. A thin, narrow projection of bone, bounding the squamous portion of the temporal bone at its base.

2. *Zygomaticus major*. A muscle arising from the cheek-bone, and inserted into the angle of the mouth.

3. *Zygomaticus minor*. A muscle arising a little higher upon the cheek-bone, and inserted into the upper lip, near the

angle of the mouth; it is often wanting. These muscles raise the angles of the mouth, as in laughter; hence the term *distortor oris* has been applied to them.

ZYGOPHYLLACEÆ. The Bean Caper tribe of Dicotyledonous plants. Trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants. with *leaves* opposite; *flowers* polypetalous, symmetrical; *stamens* hypogynous; *ovarium* many-celled; *fruit* capsular.

ZYMOME (ζύμη, leaven). This and gliadine form the constituent principles of gluten. See *Gluten*.





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*Hepat-algia* (ἥπαρ, ἥπατος, the liver). Pain in the liver.

*Hyster-algia* (ὑστέρα, the uterus). Pain in the uterus.

*Ischi-algia* (ισχίον, the hip or haunch). Pain of the hip or haunch; a classical term, identical with the barbarous term cox-algia.

*Nephr-algia* (νεφρὸς, the kidney). Pain of the kidney, from calculus.

*Neur-algia* (νεῦρον, a nerve). Nerve-ache; pain in a nerve.

*Nost-algia* (νόστος, a return). Homesickness; a desire to return to one's country.

*Odont-algia* (ὀδὸν, ὀδόντος, a tooth). Toothache; pain in the teeth.

*Ot-algia* (οὖς, ὠτός, the ear). Earache; pain of the ear.

*Pleur-algia* (πλευρὰ, the side). Pain, or ache, in the side.

*Proct-algia* (πρωκτός, the anus). Pain, or derangement about the anus.

*Prosop-algia* (πρόσωπον, the face). Tic douloureux, or neuralgia of the face.

*Rhachi-algia* (ράχις, the spine). Spine-ache; backbone ache; painters' colic.

*Splen-algia* (σπλήν, the spleen). Pain in the spleen.

*Stern-algia* (sternum, the breast-bone). Pain of the sternum.

**-CARDIA** (καρδία, the heart). A termination denoting the heart. Hence—

*A-cardiac* (α, privative). A term applied to animals without a heart.

*Hydro-cardia* (ὑδωρ, water). Hydro-pericardium. Dropsy of the pericardium.

*Peri-cardium* (περὶ, around). The membrane which surrounds the heart.

**-CELE** (κῆλη, a tumour). A termination denoting a tumour, particularly that of hernia. Hence—

*Broncho-cele* (βρόγχος, the windpipe). Goitre. A tumour of the thyroid gland.

*Bubono-cele* (βουβών, βουβώνος, the groin). A tumour in the groin; inguinal hernia.

*Cerato-cele* (κέρας, κέρατος, cornea). Hernia of the cornea.

*Cirso-cele* (κίρσος, varix). A varicose tumour of the spermatic vein.

*Colpo-cele* (κόλπος, the vagina). A tumour, or hernia, in the vagina.

*Cysto-cele* (κύστις, the bladder). Hernia of the bladder.

*Elytro-cele* (ἔλυτρον, a sheath; the vagina). Vaginal hernia; hernia within the os externum.

*Encephalo-cele* (ἐγκέφαλος, the brain). Hernia of the brain.

*Entero-cele* (ἔντερα, the intestines). A hernia containing intestine.

*Entero-epiplo-cele* (ἔντερα, intestines, ἐπίπλοον, omentum). A hernia containing intestine and omentum.

*Epiplo-cele* (ἐπίπλοον, omentum). A tumour, or hernia, of the omentum.

*Epiplo-oscheo-cele* (ἐπίπλοον, omentum, ὄσχεον, scrotum). A hernia, in which a portion of the omentum descends into the scrotum.

*Gastro-cele* (γαστήρ, the stomach). A tumour, or hernia, of the stomach.

*Glosso-cele* (γλῶσσα, the tongue). An extrusion of the tongue.

*Hæmato-cele* (αἷμα, αἵματος, blood). A tumour of the scrotum, or spermatic cord, caused by blood.

*Hepato-cele* (ἥπαρ, ἥπατος, the liver). A tumour, or hernia, of the liver.

*Hydr-encephalo-cele* (ὑδωρ, water, ἐγκέφαλος, the brain). Watery rupture of the brain.

*Hydr-entero-cele* (ὑδωρ, water, ἔντερα, the intestines). Hydrocele, complicated with intestinal hernia.

*Hydro-cele* (ὑδωρ, water). A tumour containing water; a collection of water in the tunica vaginalis, &c.

*Hydro-phlyso-cele* (ὑδωρ, water, φυσάω, to inflate). Hernia, complicated with hydrocele; hernia containing water and gas.

*Hydro-sarco-cele* (ὑδωρ, water, σὰρξ, σαρκός, flesh). Sarcocoele, attended with dropsy of the tunica vaginalis.

*Hypo-gastro-cele* (ὑπὸ, beneath, γαστήρ, the stomach). Ventral hernia; occurring in front of the abdomen, generally between the recti muscles.

*Hystero-cele* (ὑστέρα, uterus). Hernia of the uterus.

*Ischiato-cele* (ισχίον, the hip) Intestinal rupture through the sciatic ligaments.

*Liparo-cele* (λιπαρός, fat). A species of sarcocoele, containing fat.

*Mero-cele* (μηρός, the thigh). Hernia of the thigh; femoral hernia.

*Muco-cele* (mucus). More properly, *myxo-cele*. Hernia of the lacrymal sac, containing tears and mucus.

*Omphalo-cele* (ὀμφαλός, umbilicus). Ex-omphalos; hernia of the bowels at the umbilicus.

*Oscheo-cele* (ὄσχεον, the scrotum). A hernia which has descended into the scrotum.

*Pneumato-cele* (πνεῦμα, πνεύματος, wind). Hernia distended with flatus.

*Sarco-cele* (σὰρξ, σαρκός, flesh). A fleshy enlargement of the testis.



*Scroto-cele* (scrotum, the cutaneous envelope of the testes). Hernia, or rupture of the scrotum.

*Spermato-cele* (σπέρμα, σπέρματος, semen). An enlargement of the testes, supposed to be produced by semen.

*Steato-cele* (στέαρ, στέατος, suet). A hernia, in which *sebaceous* matter descends into the scrotum.

*Varico-cele* (varix, varicis, a distended vein). An enlargement of the blood-vessels of the scrotum.

**-CEPHALUS** (κεφαλή, the head). A termination of words denoting some affection of the *head*, &c. Hence—

*A-cephalus* (α, privative). Headless; a class of molluscous animals.

*Anen-cephalus* (α, priv., ἐγκέφαλος, the brain). A monster without brains.

*Bothrio-cephalus* (βόθριον, a pit). The name of the broad tape-worm.

*En-cephalon* (ἐν, within). The brain. Hence *en-cephalitis*, &c.

*Hydr-en-cephalus* (ὑδωρ, water, ἐγκέφαλος, the brain). Dropsy of the brain.

*Macro-cephalus* (μακρὸς, great). Large-headed; the name of the spermaceti whale.

*Meso-cephalon* (μέσος, middle). A designation of the pons Varolii.

*Myo-cephalon* (μυῖα, a fly). A small prolapsus of the iris, of the size of a fly's head.

*Notencephalus*.

*Poly-cephalus* (πολὺς, many). Many-headed; the name of a hyatid.

*Tricho-cephalus* (θρίξ, τρικὸς, hair). The long thread-worm, which terminates in a hair-like point.

**-COLLA** (κόλλα, glue). A termination denoting *glue*. Hence—

*Chryso-colla* (χρυσὸς, gold). Golden-glue; the Greek name for borax.

*Ichthyo-colla* (ἰχθὺς, ἰχθύος, a fish). Fish-glue; isinglass.

*Sarco-colla* (σάρξ, σαρκὸς, flesh). Flesh-glue; the concrete juice of the Penæa sarcocolla.

**-CRANIUM** (κρανίον, the skull). A termination denoting the head or the skull. Hence—

*Epi-cranium* (ἐπὶ, upon). The integuments, &c.; which lie over the cranium.

*Hemi-crania* (ἡμισυς, half). A pain affecting only one side, or half, of the head.

*Ole-cranon* (ὠλένη, the ulna). The head of the ulna, or the elbow.

*Peri-cranium* (περὶ, around). The membrane which covers the cranium.

**-DEMIC** (δῆμος, a people). A termination of words denoting diseases peculiar to certain *localities*. Hence—

*En-demic* (ἐν, in, among). Diseases peculiar to people of a particular country.

*Epi-demic* (ἐπὶ, upon). Diseases arising from a general cause, as excessive heat, &c.

*Pan-demic* (πᾶν, all). A term synonymous with epidemic.

**-DIPSIA** (δίψα, thirst). A termination denoting *thirst*. Hence—

*A-dipsia* (α, privative). The total absence of thirst.

*Phobo-dipsia* (φόβος, fear). A term synonymous with hydrophobia, expressive of the fear which the patient experiences to allay his thirst.

*Poly-dipsia* (πολὺς, much). Excessive thirst.

**-ENTERY** (ἔντερα, the bowels; from ἐντὸς, within). A termination of words denoting some affection of, or part connected with, the *bowels*. Hence—

*Dothin-enterite* (δοθινῆ, a pustule). Inflammation of the mucous follicles of Peyer and Brunner. It would be better to use the word *aden-enteritis*, from ἀδὴν, a gland.

*Dys-entery* (δύς, with difficulty). Inflammation of the mucous lining of the large intestines.

*Mes-entery* (μέσος, middle). The membrane in the middle of the intestines.

**-FACIENT** (facio, to make). A termination denoting the production of any particular effect. Hence—

*Cale-facient* (caleo, to be warm). A medicine which causes warmth.

*Rube-facient* (rubeo, to be red). A substance which induces redness.

*Stupe-facient* (stupeo, to be senseless). A medicine which produces insensibility.

**-FORM** (forma, likeness). A Latin termination, denoting *resemblance*, and synonymous with the Greek term *οἶδ*.

*Acini-form* (acinus, a grape-stone). A former name of the choroid.

*Aëri-form* (aër, aëris, air). Air-like; a term applied to gases.

*Ali-form* (ala, a wing). Wing-like; synonymous with *pteryg-oid*; processes of the sphenoid bone.

*Arci-form* (arcus, a bow). Bow-like; a term applied to some fibres of the brain.



*Cardini-form* (cardo, cardinis, a hinge). Hinge-like, as applied to a species of articulation; also termed ginglymoid.

*Cochleari-form* (cochleare, a spoon). Spoon-like, as applied to a process of the tympanum.

*Cordi-form* (corda, a cord). Cord-like, as applied to the aponeurosis of the diaphragm.

*Cribri-form* (cribrum, a sieve). Sieve-like; a term applied to the plate of the ethmoid bone.

*Cunei-form* (cuneus, a wedge). Wedge-like; the designation of several bones of the feet.

*Digiti-form* (digitus, a finger). Finger-like; applied to certain appendices or prolongations of the intestines.

*Ensi-form* (ensis, a sword). Sword-like; synonymous with *xiph-oid*; a cartilage of the sternum.

*Falci-form* (falx, faleis, a scythe). Scythe-like; a process of the dura mater.

*Fili-form* (filum, a thread). Thread-like; applied to some of the papillæ of the tongue.

*Fungi-form* (fungus, a mushroom). Fungus-like; applied to some of the papillæ of the tongue.

*Gelatini-form*. Resembling gelatine; as applied to a species of tuberculous infiltration in the lungs.

*Glandi-form* (glans, glandis, a gland). Gland-like; a term applied to the thymus body.

*Hypocrateri-form* (ὑπὸ κρατῆρ, a wine-cup). Salver-shaped; as applied to the corolla of various plants.

*Infundibuli-form* (infundibulum, a funnel). Funnel-shaped; a ligament of the occiput and the first vertebra.

*Muri-form* (muris, a wall). Wall-like; applied to the arrangement of the cells in the medullary rays of plants.

*Myrti-form* (myrtus, a myrtle). Myrtle-formed; the designation of the remains of the lacerated hymen.

*Pampini-form* (pampinus, a tendril). Tendril-like; a plexus of the spermatic vein.

*Pectini-form* (pecten, pectinis, a comb or crest). Crest-like; as applied to the septum of the corpus cavernosum.

*Penicilli-form* (penicillus, a painter's brush). Brush-like; as applied to the disposition of filaments, &c.

*Penni-form* (penna, a pen). Pen-shaped; the shape of certain muscles.

*Pisi-form* (pisum, a pea). Pea-like; the designation of a bone of the carpus.

*Plani-form* (planus, plane). Of a plane

kind; as applied to the obscure or close diarthrosis.

*Puri-form* (pus, matter). Resembling pus; as applied to certain matters secreted in abscesses, &c.

*Pyri-form* (pyrus, a pear). Pear-shaped; a muscle of the sacrum, &c.; also called *pyramidalis*.

*Resti-form* (restis, a cord). Cord-like; a process of the medulla oblongata.

*Reti-form* (rete, a net). Net-like; a designation of the erectile spongy tissue of the vagina.

*Scuti-form* (scutum, a shield). Shield-like; a cartilage of the sternum.

*Unci-form* (uncus, a hook). Hook-like; a bone of the carpus.

*Ventri-form* (venter, the belly). Belly-shaped; the form of certain muscles.

*Vermi-form* (vermis, a worm). Worm-like; two processes of the brain.

**-FUGE** (*fugo*, to expel). A termination denoting a substance which *expels* another substance, or a disease. Hence—

*Febri-fuge* (febris, a fever). A remedy against fever.

*Lacti-fuge* (lac, lactis, milk). A medicine which checks or diminishes the secretion of milk.

*Vermi-fuge* (vermis, a worm). Anthelmintic; a remedy for worms.

**-GEN, -GENESIS, -GENOUS, &c.** (*γένος*, birth, *γένεσις*, generation; from *γεννάω*, to produce). Terminations denoting *production*, or generation.

*Acro-genous* (ἄκρος, at the top). Top-growing; as applied to plants which grow by extension of their upper extremity.

*Campho-gen*. Camphene; the basis of camphor, or pure essence of turpentine.

*Cephalo-genesis* (κεφαλή, the head). The doctrine of the formation of the brain.

*Cyano-gen* (κύανος, blue). Bi-carburet of nitrogen; an ingredient in Prussian blue.

*Endo-genous* (ἔνδον, within). Inside-growing; as applied to plants which grow by internal increase.

*Epi-genesis* (ἐπι, upon). A theory of generation, in which the fœtus was supposed to be produced by the joint production of matter afforded by both sexes.

*Erythro-gen* (ἐρυθρός, red). A substance sometimes found in the gall-bladder, which produces a red compound with nitrogen.

*Exo-genous* (ἔξω, outward). *Outside*-growing; as applied to plants which grow by external increase.





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*Myo-logy* (μῦς, μυῶς, a muscle). A description of the muscles.

*Neuro-logy* (νεῦρον, a nerve). A description of the nerves.

*Noso-logy* (νόσος, a disease). An arrangement of diseases.

*Ornitho-logy* (ὄρνις, ὄρνιθος, a bird). A description of birds.

*Osteo-logy* (ὀστέον, a bone). A description of the bones.

*Patho-logy* (πάθος, a disease). A description of diseases.

*Pharmaco-logia* (φάρμακον, a medicine). The method of administering medicines.

*Phreno-logy* (φρήν, φρενῶς, the mind). A description of the mind as discovered by the formation of the skull.

*Physio-logy* (φύσις, nature). An account of the nature, or functions of the body.

*Phyto-logy* (φυτὸν, a plant). A description of plants.

*Poso-logy*, (πόσος, how much). An account of the quantity, or of doses, of medicines.

*Semeio-logy*, (σημεῖον, a sign). The doctrine of the signs of disease.

*Sitio-logy* (σιτίον, food). A treatise on food.

*Spasmo-logy* (σπάσμα, a spasm). A treatise on spasms or convulsions.

*Splanchno-logy*, (σπλάγχνον, a viscus). A description of the viscera.

*Symptomato-logy* (σύμπτωμα, a symptom). A description of the diagnosis, or symptoms of diseases.

*Syndesmo-logy* (σύμδεσμος, a ligament). A description of ligaments.

*Toco-logy* (τόκος, child-birth). The science of midwifery.

*Toxico-logy* (τοξικόν, a poison). An account of poisons.

*Zoo-logy* (ζῶον, an animal). A history of the animal kingdom.

\*-LYSIS (λύσις, a solution, from λύω, to loosen). A termination denoting solution, resolution, &c. Hence—

*Ana-lysis* (ἀνά, again). The resolution of a compound into its constituent parts.

*Cata-lysis*, (κατά, downwards). Decomposition by contact.

*Dya-lysis* (διά, through). A solution of continuity in any part. A loosening; hence *kore-dialysis*, the operation for artificial pupil, by separation.

*Electro-lysis*. Decomposition by means of electricity.

*Para-lysis* (παρά, throughout). Palsy; a relaxation of nervous energy.

-MANIA (μανία, madness, from μαί-

νομαι, to rage). A termination denoting madness. Hence—

*Dæmono-mania* (δαίμων, δαίμονος, a demon). Madness from supposition of demoniacal possession.

*Mono-mania* (μόνος, alone). Madness upon one subject only.

*Nympho-mania* (νύμφη, the nymph). Lascivious madness in females.

*Typho-mania* (τύφος, stupor, typhus). Perfect lethargy of body, with partial lethargy of mind.

-METER (μέτρον, a measure). A termination denoting a measurer. Hence—

*Aceto-meter* (acetum, vinegar). An instrument for measuring the strength of vinegar.

*Actino-meter* (ἄκτιν, a ray of light). An instrument for measuring the intensity of light.

*Aëro-meter* (ἀήρ, αἶρος, air). An air-measurer; an instrument for ascertaining the mean bulk of gases.

*Alcohol-meter* (alcohol, essence). A measurer of the spirit contained in any vinous liquid.

*Alkali-meter*. An instrument for measuring the quantity of alkali in a given substance.

*Atmo-meter* (ἀτμός, vapour). An instrument for measuring the quantity of exhalation from a moist surface.

*Baro-meter* (βάρος, weight). An instrument for measuring the weight of the air; a weather-glass.

*Calori-meter* (calor, heat). An instrument for measuring the heat of a body as it cools.

*Climo-meter* (κλίνω, to incline). An instrument for measuring the dip of mineral strata.

*Electro-meter* (ἤλεκτρον, amber. See *Electricity*). An instrument for measuring the intensity of electricity.

*Eudio-meter* (εὐδία, calm weather). An instrument for measuring the proportion of oxygen in a given gas.

*Gonio-meter* (γωνία, an angle). An instrument for measuring angles, as those of crystals, &c.

*Hydro-meter* (ὑδωρ, water). An instrument for measuring the strength of any spirit, in distillation; or for measuring the gravity of fluids.

*Hygro-meter* (ὕγρως, moist). An instrument for measuring the degree of moisture of the atmosphere.

*Oeno-meter* (οἶνος, wine). A measurer of the wine contained in any vinous liquid.

*Photo-meter* (φῶς, φωτῶς, light). An in-



strument for measuring the degrees of intensity of light.

*Plexi-meter* (πληξίς, percussion). An instrument for measuring percussion, in examination of the chest, &c.

*Pyro-meter* (πῦρ, πυρός, fire). An instrument for measuring the degrees of high temperatures.

*Saccharo-meter* (σάκχαρον, sugar). An instrument used in distillation, for measuring the quantity of saccharine matter in the wash.

*Sphygmo-meter* (σφυγμός, the pulse). An instrument for measuring the pulsations of the arteries.

*Thermo-meter* (θέρμη, heat). An instrument for measuring the degree of heat in any body.

**-ODYNE', -ODYNIA** (ὀδύνη, pain). A termination denoting *pain*. Hence,

*An-odyne* (α, privative). Without pain; a remedy against pain.

*Arth-odynia* (ἄρθρον, a joint). Pain in a joint.

*Cephal-odynia* (κεφαλή, the head). Headache; pain in the head.

*Gastr-odynia* (γαστήρ, the stomach). Pain in the stomach.

*Mast-odynia* (μαστός, the breast). Pain of the breast, in women.

*Oneir-odynia* (ὄνειρος, a dream). Disturbance during sleep.

*Ophthalm-odynia* (ὀφθαλμός, the eye). Pain in the eye.

*Pleur-odynia* (πλευρά, the side). Pain, or ache, in the side.

**-OID** (εἶδος, likeness, from εἶδομαι, to resemble; οἶδα, perf.) A suffix, signifying *resemblance*. (The termination in *odes* denotes sometimes a *fulness*, as in *hæmat-odes*, *ass-odes*, &c.; when it expresses *resemblance*, it coincides with the terms in *oides*, and is probably formed from it.) Hence,

*Aden-oid* (ἀδὴν, a gland). Resembling a gland.

*Alkal-oid* (alkali). A new substance resembling an alkali.

*Allant-oid* (ἀλλᾶς, ἀλλάντος, a sausage). Sausage-like; the name of a membrane of the fœtus.

*Ancon-oid* (ἀγκών, the elbow). Resembling the elbow; a process of the cubit.

*Ancyro-oid* (ἄγκυρα, an anchor). Anchor-like; a former designation of the coracoid process of the scapula.

*Arachn-oid* (ἀράχνης, a spider). Cobweb-like; a membrane of the brain.

*Arytæn-oid* (ἀρύταινα, an ewer). Ewer-

like; the name of two cartilages of the larynx.

*Chel-oid* (χέλυς, a tortoise). Cancr-oid. A disease of the skin, resembling a tortoise's shell.

*Chor-oid* (χωρίον, a domicile). Resembling the chorion, a tunic of the eye.

*Clin-oid* (κλίνη, a bed). The processes of the sella turcica are so called from their resembling the knobs of a bedstead.

*Condyl-oid* (κόνδυλος, a knuckle). Resembling a knuckle; applied to some foramina of the occipital bone.

*Corac-oid* (κόραξ, κόρακος, a crow). Crow-like; a process of the scapula.

*Coron-oid* (κορώνη, a crow). The name of a process of the ulna, shaped like a crow's beak.

*Cotyl-oid* (κοτύλη, an old measure). A designation of the acetabulum, resembling an ancient cup.

*Cric-oid* (κρίκος, a ring). Ring-like, or *annular*; a cartilage of the larynx.

*Cub-oid* (κύβος, a cube). Cube-like; the name of a bone of the foot.

*Delt-oid* (δέλτα, the Greek letter Δ). Delta-shaped; a muscle of the humerus.

*Derm-oid* (δέρμα, skin). Skin-like; a tissue which resembles skin.

*Elytr-oid* (ἔλυτρον, a sheath; the vagina). Sheath-like; as the tunica vaginalis.

*Encephal-oid* (ἐγκέφαλος, the brain). A term applied to encephalosis, a morbid product resembling brain.

*Erythr-oid* (ἐρυθρός, red). Of a red appearance; a term applied to the cremasteric covering of the spermatic cord and testis.

*Ethm-oid* (ἠθμός, a sieve). Sieve-like; a bone of the nose; synonymous with *cribri-form*.

*Glen-oid* (γλήνη, a cavity). Resembling a cavity; as the socket of the shoulder-joint, &c.

*Ginglym-oid* (γιγγλυμός, a hinge). Hinge-like; a term synonymous with *cardiniform*, and applied to certain articulations.

*Hal-oid* (ἅλς, the sea). The designation of certain salt-like compounds, described by Berzelius.

*Hyal-oid* (ὑαλος, glass). Glass-like; the membrane which contains the vitreous humour of the eye.

*Hydr-encephal-oid* (ὑδωρ, water, ἐγκέφαλος, the brain). The name of certain affections which resemble hydrencephalus.

*Hydrop-oides* (ὑδωρ, water). A term formerly applied to watery excrements.

*Hy-oid* (the Greek letter υ). A bone



situated between the root of the tongue and the larynx.

*Lambd-oidal* (lambda, the Greek letter A). Resembling the letter *lambda*; a suture of the skull.

*Lumbric-oides* (lumbricus, the earth-worm). The name of a long, round, intestinal worm. It would be more correct to call this *lumbrici-form*.

*Mast-oid* (μαστός, the breast). Breast-like; applied to a process, &c., of the temporal bone.

*Melan-oid* (μέλας, black). Of a black appearance, as applied to melanosis.

*My-oides* (μῦς, μυός, a muscle). Resembling a muscle; hence *platysma my-oides*, a designation of the musculus cutaneus.

*Odont-oides* (ὀδούς, ὀδόντος, a tooth). Tooth-like; a designation of the second vertebra, or the *dentata*.

*Ov-oid* (ovum, an egg). Egg-shaped, as applied to the testis.

*Phlegmon-oid* (φλεγμονή, phlegmon). Resembling a phlegmon, as applied to some kinds of abscess.

*Psall-oid* (ψάλλω, to play upon the lyre). Lyre-like; a term applied to a portion of the brain, otherwise called *lyra*.

*Pteryg-oid* (πτέρυξ, a wing). Wing-like; the name of a process of the sphenoid bone.

*Rhomb-oidal* (ῥόμβος, a rhombus). Resembling a rhombus; the name of a ligament of the clavicle.

*Scaph-oid* (σκαφή, a skiff). Resembling a skiff; a bone of the tarsus and carpus.

*Sesam-oid* (σησάμη, an Indian bean). Resembling the *semen sesami*; applied to small bones of the thumb and great toe.

*Sigm-oid* (sigma, the Greek letter Σ). Resembling the letter *sigma*, as applied to a flexure of the colon, and valves of the aorta.

*Sphen-oid* (σφήν, a wedge). Wedge-like; the name of a bone of the skull.

*Styl-oid* (στυλός, a pencil). Pencil-like; a process of the temporal bone.

*Thyre-oid* (θυρεός, a shield). Shield-like; synonymous with *scuti-form*; a cartilage of the larynx.

*Trapez-oid* (τράπεζα, a table). Resembling a trapezium, or table; the name of a bone of the carpus.

*Troch-oides* (τρόχος, a wheel). Wheel-like; a rotatory kind of articulation.

*Typh-oid* (τύφος, typhus, or stupor). Resembling typhus; a class of diseases.

*Variol-oid* (variola, small-pox). Resembling variola; a class of diseases.

*Xiph-oid* (ξίφος, a sword). Sword-like; synonymous with *ensi-form*, a cartilage which tips the sternum.

**-OPHTHALMOS** (ὀφθαλμός, the eye). A termination of words denoting some affection of the eye. *Ophthalmia*, or inflammation of the eye, is also used as an affix. Hence,

*Blephar-ophthalmia* (βλέφαρον, an eyelid). Inflammation of the eye-lid.

*Bu-phthalmos* (βοῦς, an ox). Ox-eye; dropsy of the eye.

*Cirs-ophthalmia* (κίρσος, varix). A varicose affection of the blood-vessels of the eye.

*Ex-ophthalmia* (ἐξ, out). Protrusion of the globe of the eye.

*Hæm-ophthalmus* (αἷμα, blood). Effusion of blood into the chambers of the eye.

*Hydr-ophthalmia* (ὕδωρ, water). Dropsy of the eye; ox-eye.

*Lag-ophthalmia* (λαγῶς, a hare). Hare-eye; shortening of the upper lid.

*Psor-ophthalmia* (ψώρα, the itch). Itch of the eye-lids; tinea, &c.

*Scler-ophthalmia* (σκληρός, hard). Inflammation of the eye, attended with hardness.

*Xer-ophthalmia* (ξηρός, dry). A form of ophthalmia, denoting dryness of the eye.

**-OPS, -OPSIS, -OPIA, -OPTIC** (ὤψ, the eye, ὄψις, the act of seeing, ὀπτικός, belonging to the sight; from ὀπτομαι, to see). These affixes relate to the eye and vision. Hence,

*Ægil-ops* (αἶξ, αἶγος, a goat). Goat-eye; a sore under the inner angle of the eye.

*Æthi-ops* (αἶθω, to burn). Literally, *burnt-face*; an Ethiop; and hence a powder as black as an Ethiop.

*Ambly-opia* (ἀμβλῦς, dull). Dulness of sight; incipient amaurosis.

*Anchil-ops* (ἀγχι, near). Literally, *near the eye*; the incipient state of ægilops.

*Aut-opsia* (αὐτός, himself). A term denoting a post-mortem examination.

*Chro-opsia* (χρόα, colour). Chropsia; coloration of objects; an affection of the sight.

*Dipl-opia* (διπλός, double). Double vision; objects seen twofold.

*Dys-opia* (δύς, with difficulty). Difficulty of sight; impaired vision.

*Hæmal-opia* (αἷμα, blood). An effusion of blood in the globe of the eye.

*Hemeral-opia* (ἡμέρα, the day). Day-eye; or night-blindness.





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procured from bones, and so named from its luminous appearance in the dark.

*Pyro-phorus* (πῦρ, πυρός, fire). An artificial product, which ignites on exposure to the air.

**-PHYSIS** (φύσις, nature, from φύω, to be born). A termination denoting production or existence. Hence,

*Apo-physis* (ἀπό, from). A process of a bone, and a part of the same bone.

*Dia-physis* (διά, through). The middle part, or body, of the long bones.

*Epi-physis* (ἐπί, upon). A process of a bone attached by cartilage.

*Hypo-physis* (ὑπό, under). The small organ in which the infundibulum ends.

*Sym-physis* (σύν, together). The growing together of bones, as of the ossa pubis.

**-PLEGIA** (πληγή, a stroke, from πλήσσω, to strike). A termination denoting a stroke or attack of any part. Hence,

*Hemi-plegia* (ἡμισυς, half). A stroke or paralysis of one half or one side of the body.

*Ophthalmoplegia* (ὀφθαλμός, the eye). Paralysis of the muscles of the eye.

*Para-plegia* (παρά, near). A stroke, or paralysis, in which the lower half of the body is attacked.

**-PNEA** (πνοιά, breathing, from πνέω, to breathe). A termination which denotes breathing; it is connected with terms indicating some peculiarity of that function. Hence,

*Dys-pnea* (δύς, with difficulty). Difficulty of breathing.

*Ortho-pnea* (ὀρθός, erect). An affection of the breathing, in which it can only take place in the erect position.

**-POSIA, -POSIS** (πόσις, drinking, from πίνω, to drink). A termination denoting the act of drinking. Hence,

*Brachy-posia* (βραχύς, short). A term used synonymously with hydrophobia, from the act of drinking little.

*Cata-posis* (κατά, down). The act of swallowing down meat or drink.

*Dyscata-posia* (δύς, with difficulty of κατάποσις, the act of swallowing). A difficulty of swallowing liquids.

**-PTOSIS** (πτῶσις, prolapsus, from πίπτω, or πτώω, πτώσω, to fall). A prolapsus, or falling down. Hence,

*Ædo-ptosis* (αἰδοῖα, pudenda). Prolapsus of the pudenda.

*Archo-ptosis* (ἀρχός, anus). Archoptoma. Prolapsus of the anus.

*Blepharo-ptosis* (βλέφαρον, the eyelid). A falling of the upper eyelid.

*Colpo-ptosis* (κόλπος, vagina). Prolapsus of the vagina.

*Hystero-ptosis* (ἕστέρα, the uterus). Prolapsus of the uterus.

*Ophthalmo-ptosis* (ὀφθαλμός, the eye). A swelling of the bulb of the eye.

*Pro-ptosis* (πρό, forward). Protrusion of the globe of the eye.

**-PTYSIS** (πτύσις, a spitting, from πτύω, to spit). A termination denoting the act of spitting. Hence,

*Ana-ptysis* (ἀνά, again, or ἄνω, upwards). Expectoration; a discharge from the chest.

*Hæmo-ptysis* (αἷμα, αἷματος, blood). The spitting of blood.

**-PYOSIS, PYEMA, &c.** (πύωσις, supuration, from πύον, pus). A termination denoting the presence of pus. Hence,

*Arthro-pyosis* ἄρθρον, a joint). An abscess, or a collection of pus, in a joint.

*Ec-pyosis* (ἐκ, out). Humid scall, including impetigo, porrigo, etc.

*Em-pyema* (ἐν, within). Em-pyosis. A collection of pus in the cavity of the thorax.

*Hypo-pyon* (ὑπό, under). An effusion of pus into the chamber of the aqueous humour of the eye.

**-RHAGIA** (ῥήγνυμι, from ῥήγω, or ῥάγω, to burst forth). A termination denoting a bursting forth, as of a fluid. (The letter ρ, or τ, is doubled in the beginning of a word, whenever it is preceded by a vowel, either in composition or declension. See *Rhæa*). Hence,

*Blenno-rrhagia* (βλέννα, mucus). A discharge of mucus by the urethra.

*Cysti-rrhagia* (κυστίς, a bladder). A discharge of blood from the urinary bladder.

*Hæmo-rrhagia* (αἷμα, blood). A discharge, or the loss, of blood.

*Meno-rrhagia* (μήν, μηνῆς, mensis). A profuse discharge of the menses.

*Metro-rrhagia* (μήτρα, the uterus). Hæmorrhage from the uterus.

*Phlegmo-rrhagia* (φλέγμα, phlegm). Profuse pituitous secretion.

*Pneumo-rrhagia* (πνεύμων, the lungs). A discharge of blood from the lungs; expectoration of blood.

**-RAPHE, -RAPHIA** (ῥαφή, a suture, from ῥάπτω, to sew). Terminations denoting a suture, or the act of making a suture. Hence,

*Elytro-rrhaphia* (ἐλύτρον, a sheath, the vagina). Suture of the vagina, some-



times termed *episio-rrhaphia* from ἐπίσιον, pudendum.

*Entero-rrhaphia* (έντερα, the bowels). Suture of the divided edges of an intestine.

*Gastro-rrhaphia* (γαστήρ, the stomach). Suture of a wound of the belly, or of some of its contents.

*Staphylo-rrhaphia* (σταφυλή, uvula). Suture of the palate.

**-RHŒA** (ροια, a discharge, from ῥέω, to flow). A termination denoting a discharge. (The letter ρ, or r, is doubled after a vowel. See *Rhagia*). Hence,

*Ameno-rrhœa* (α, priv., μην, μηνός, a month). Deficient menstrual discharge.

*Blenno-rrhœa* (βλέννα, mucus). A discharge of mucus; gleet.

*Cysti-rrhœa* (κύστις, the bladder). A discharge from the bladder; catarrh of the bladder.

*Dia-rrhœa* (διά, through). A flux, lax, or looseness.

*Dysmeno-rrhœa* (δύς, with difficulty, μην, μηνός, a month). Difficult or painful menstrual discharge.

*Galacti-rrhœa* (γάλα, γάλακτος, milk). A discharge, or flow, of milk.

*Gono-rrhœa* (γονή, semen). A discharge of semen; a discharge of purulent matter.

*Hæmo-rrhœa* (αἷμα, blood). A discharge of blood. Hence the term *hæmorrhoids*, or piles, so called from their bleeding.

*Hepati-rrhœa* (ήπαρ, ήπατος, the liver). A morbid flow of bile from the liver.

*Leuco-rrhœa* (λευκός, white). A white discharge per vaginam; the whites.

*Oto-rrhœa* (οὖς, ὠτός, the ear). A discharge by the ear; the state of chronic otitis.

*Spermo-rrhœa* (σπέρμα, semen). A discharge of semen.

*Uro-rrhœa* (οὔρον, urine). An excessive discharge of the urine.

**-SARCA, -SARCIA** (σὰρξ, σαρκός, flesh). A termination denoting flesh, or an affection of the flesh. Hence,

*Ana-sarca* (ἀνά, through). Dropsy of the cellular substance.

*Hydro-pneumo-sarca* (ὔδωρ, water, πνεῦμα, air). A tumour containing water, air, and a flesh-like substance.

*Hydro-sarca* (ὔδωρ, water). Hyposarca; ana-sarca. Dropsy of the cellular substance.

*Poly-sarcia* (πολύς, much). Corpulency; bulkiness of the body.

**-SCOPE, -SCOPY** (σκοπός, an inspector,

scope, or object, from σκοπέω, to examine). A termination denoting ocular examination. Hence—

*Æthrio-scope* (αιθρία, serene weather). An instrument for indicating the power of the clouds in preventing radiation.

*Cranio-scopy* (κρανίον, the skull). An inspection of the skull.

*Electro-scope* (ήλεκτρον, amber. See *Electricity*). An instrument for indicating electrical excitement.

*Melopo-scopy* (μέτωπον, the forehead). The art of divining by inspection of the forehead.

*Metro-scope* (μήτρα, the uterus). An instrument for examining the os uteri.

*Micro-scope* (μικρός, small). An instrument for examining minute objects.

*Necro-scopie* (νεκρός, dead). A term applied to *post-mortem* examinations.

*Pyro-scope* (πῦρ, πυρός, fire). An instrument for examining the degree of high temperatures.

*Stetho-scope* (στῆθος, the breast). An instrument for examining the sounds of the chest.

*Thermo-scope* (θέρμη, heat). An instrument for examining the changes of heat.

**-STASIS** (ίστημι, to stand). A termination denoting a standing, or a position in a place.

*Copro-stasis* (κόπρος, fæces). Undue retention of the fæces in the intestines.

*Meta-stasis* (μετά, a preposition denoting change or transference). A removal from one place to another.

**-STOLE** (στόλη, a mission, from στέλλω, to send). The termination of two words denoting the two reciprocal actions of the heart and arteries. These are—

*Dia-stole* (διά-στέλλω, to dilate). The dilatation of the heart and arteries.

*Sy-stole* (συ-στέλλω, to contract). The contraction of the heart and arteries.

**-STOMA** (στόμα, the mouth). A termination denoting the mouth. Hence—

*Cyclo-stoma* (κύκλος, a circle). Circular-mouthed; an order of fishes.

*Di-stoma* (δύς, twice). Two-mouthed; the designation of the fluke.

*Lago-stoma* (λαγώς, a hare). Hare-mouth; hare-lip; a congenital division of the lip, resembling that of a hare.

**-THESIS** (θέσις, a position, from τίθημι, to place). A termination denoting an arrangement. Hence—



*Dia-thesis* (διὰ, throughout). The constitutional disposition or habit.

*Syn-thesis* (σύν, together). The anatomical connexion of the bones of the skeleton. The constitution of a body from its elements, as opposed to analysis.

**-TOM, -TOME, -TOMIA, -TOMY** (τομή, a section, from τέμνω, to cut). A termination denoting *incision*. Hence—

• *Ana-tomy* (ἀνά, throughout). Literally, *cutting up*; dissection.

*Arterio-tomy* (ἀρτηρία, an artery). The opening of an artery for blood-letting.

*A-tom* (a, privative). A particle of matter, incapable of further division.

*Broncho-tomy* (βρόγχος, the windpipe). The operation of cutting into the bronchia, or bronchi.

*Cerato-tome* (κέρας, κέρατος, a horn). A knife for dividing the cornea.

*Core-tomia* (κόρη, the pupil). The operation, by *incision*, for artificial pupil; synonymous with *iridi-tomia*.

*Corec-tomia* (κόρη, the pupil, ἐκ-τομή, excision). The operation, by *excision*, for artificial pupil; synonymous with *irid-ectomy*.

*Cysti-tome* (κύστις, the bladder). An instrument for opening the capsule of the crystalline lens.

*Cysto-tomy* (κύστις, the bladder). The operation of cutting into the bladder, for the extraction of a calculus.

*Embryo-tomy* (ἔμβρυον, an embryo). The operation of opening the foetal head, for the purpose of delivery.

*Entero-tome* (έντερα, the intestines). An instrument for the operation of artificial anus.

*Gastro-tomia* (γαστήρ, the stomach). The operation of opening the abdomen.

*Hernio-tomy* (hernia, from ἕρνος, a branch). The operation for strangulated hernia.

*Kore-tomia* (κόρη, the pupil of the eye). *Irido-tomia*. The operation for artificial pupil, by *incision*. Connected with this is *kor-ectomy* (ἐκ-τομή, excision), or *irido-tomia*, the operation by *excision*.

*Laryngo-tomy* (λάρυγξ, the larynx). The operation of cutting into the larynx.

*Litho-tomy* (λίθος, a stone). The operation of cutting a stone out of the bladder.

*Myo-tomy* (μῦς, μυός, a muscle). Dissection of the muscles.

*Nephro-tomy* (νεφρός, a kidney). The operation of cutting a stone out of the kidney.

*Neuro-tomy* (νεῦρον, a nerve). A dissection of the nerves.

*Nympho-tomia* (νύμφη, the nymph). The operation of removing the nymphæ.

*Œsophago-tomy* (οἰσοφάγος, the gullet). The operation of cutting into the œsophagus.

*Omphalo-tomia* (ὀμφαλος, umbilicus). The separation of the umbilical cord.

*Orcho-tomy* (ὄρχις, the testis). Castration; the removal of the testes.

*Pharyngo-tomy* (φάρυγξ, the pharynx). The operation of cutting into the pharynx. The instrument is called *pharyngotomus*.

*Phlebo-tomy* (φλέψ, φλεβός, a vein). Venesection. The opening of a vein.

*Scleroticec-tomia* (sclerotica, and ἐκ-τομή, excision). The operation for forming an artificial pupil in the sclerotica.

*Tracheo-tomy* (τραχὺς, rough; hence trachea, the wind-pipe). The operation of cutting into the trachea.

*Zoo-tomy* (ζῶν, an animal). The dissection of animals.

**-TONIA, -TONOS, -TONÆUM** (τόνος, tension, from τείνω, to stretch). A termination denoting *tension* or *tone*. Hence—

*A-tonia* (a, privative). Atony; defect of tone or muscular power.

*Emprostho-tonos* (ἔμπροσθεν, before). Spasm fixing the body forward.

*Opistho-tonos* (ὀπισθεν, backwards). Backward tension; tetanus of the extensor muscles.

*Peri-tonæum* (περὶ, around). The membrane which lines the interior of the abdomen.

*Pleurostho-tonos* (πλευρὰ, the side). Tetanus of the lateral muscles.

**-TROPHIA, -TROPHY,** (τροφή, nourishment, from τρέφω, to nourish). A termination denoting *nourishment*. Hence—

*A-trophia* (a, privative). Atrophy; defective nutrition.

*Hyper-trophia* (ὑπέρ, above). Excessive nutrition, as of an organ or tissue.

*Para-trophia* (παρὰ, a preposition denoting *faultiness*). Mis-nutrition.

**-URESIS, -URIA** (οὔρησις, the act of discharging urine, from οὔρέω, to make water, or οὔρος, urine). A termination denoting the act of *micturition*, or affections of that function. Hence,

*Di-uresis* (διὰ, through). An unusually large flow of urine.

*Dis-uria* (δύς, with difficulty). Difficulty in discharging the urine.

*En-uresis* (έν-οορέω, to be incontinent of urine). Incontinence of urine.





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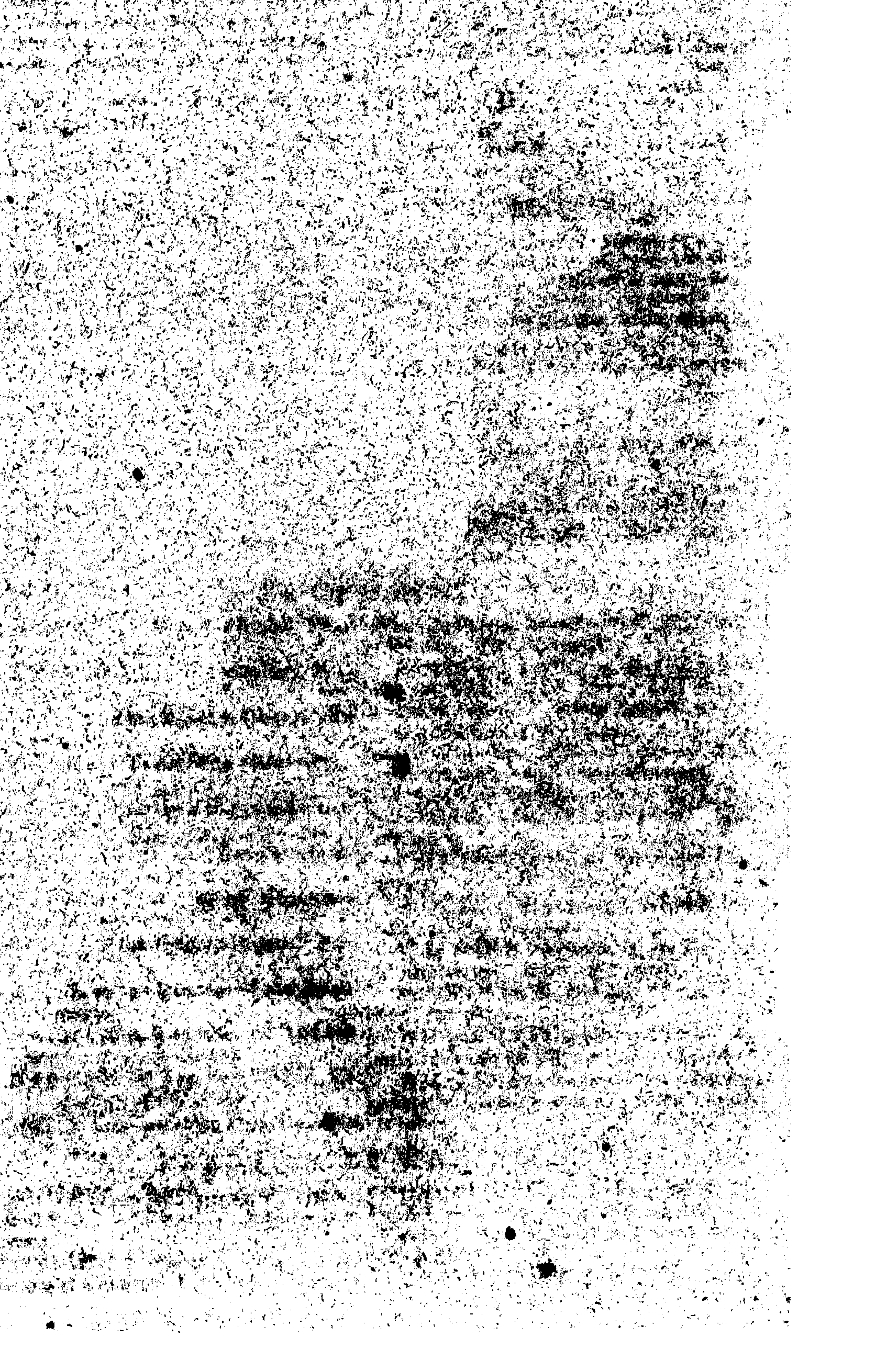
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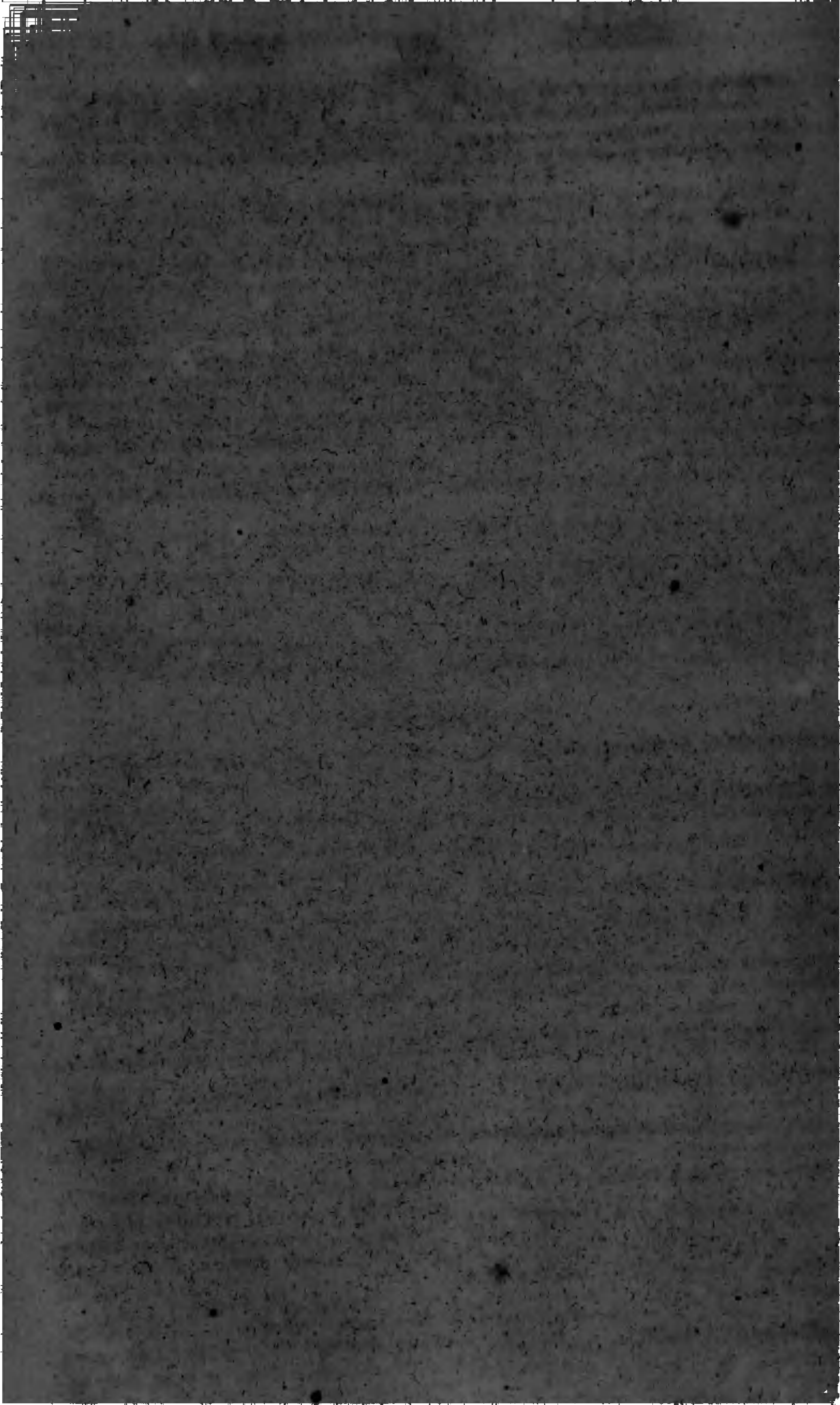
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