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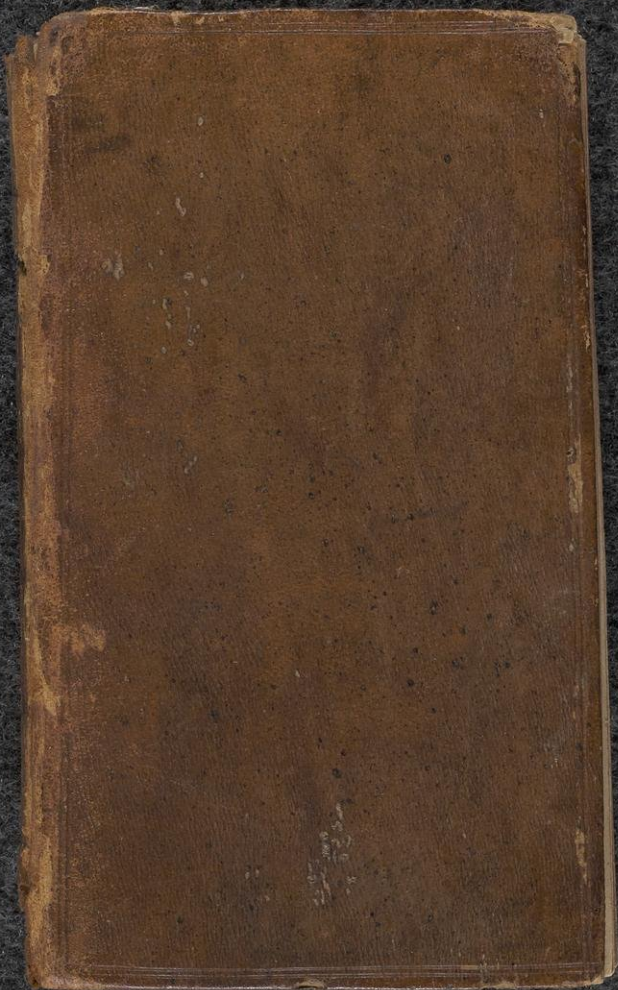
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Whereunto is added ,

A Work Compiled by
St. *Dunstan* , concerning the
Philosophers Stone ,

And the experiments of *Rumelina*
and Preparations of *Angelo*
Sala, all most famous
Chymists in their time.

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A Preface relating to the life of St. Dunstan, the Author.

How reverent an Esteem Antiquity hath had of this holy man wil appear, in that so many famous Authors have written concerning him, to wit the Author of the Brittain Antiquities; History of Great Brittain; Malmsbury, and Mat. West.

The Preface.

Westminster. He lived about the year of our Lord 946. having been at first a Monk, after that Abbot of Glastonbury, then Bishop of Worcester, next of London, and finally Archbishop of Canterbury: As to the Religious part of his life, it was so exemplary, that after ages even to this time have esteemed it miraculous: He flourished in the Reigns of Edred or Eldred, Edwin and Edgar three Kings of England.

The Preface.

land. In Edwins Reign
he was Banished, during
which time the King by
the Rebellion of his Sub-
jects was deprived both
of his life and Kingdom,
whom Edgar succeeding,
highly favoured and pro-
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King at Kingston, this
Edward was surnamed
the Martyr, being mur-
thered by the procure-
ment of Queen Elfrida.
After whose death Ethel-
dred was Crowned King
by Dunstan, with whom
also

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also he was so much in
favour that he preferred
him before all his Nobles
and laid up all his richest
royal Householdstuff, Char-
ters and Records with all
his Wealth and Treasure
in his Monastery, so that
all things were in his
power, the King without
his advice doing no-
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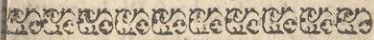
with all fidelity to that great esteem he employed his endeavours to enrich religious places either by the Danes wasted; or by himself founded: in this manner did our Author by the favour of his Prince attain the highest honors, and surely not without great merit, his extraordinary acquired parts and learning, deserving greater Enlogyes then this narrow scantling of Paper can allow room for. At last full of honour and
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dayes and replete with
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his Prince, he received
his Quietus est from the
cares of this world to en-
joy the happiness of a
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him the pattern of his
Religion, vertue and
learning for the world to
imitate, a tast whereof
you have in the ensuing
discourses. Et sic Vive
& Vale Lector.

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To the Understanding Reader.

THOU art here presented with
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 an answer to such Anomalus Ca-
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The following tract (there is
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To the Reader.

purſue this kind of Philoſophy, eſpecially when they ſhall conſider the eminency of its Author, for it bears in front the Reverend Character of Learned *Dunſtan*, of whom the preſent world, at leaſt thoſe therein that have converſed in this Science, cannot but know, that he was as exact as diligent, and ſo diligent, that none before, nor hardly any ſince did ever arrive herein to equal perfections with him.

But why ſhould we waſte time in making Eulogyes of him, of whom not only antiquity, but even the wickedneſs of the preſent age ſpeak both great and honourable things, (to give them no greater a Title) Let the Work it ſelf advance (as no doubt it will) its own praiſe, for its Author needed not the ſtilts of a vain-glorious ſuſtentation. Farewell.

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Exact Piece of
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See Ripley's

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*Touching the Stone of
Phylosophers.*

IT is chiefly to be understood, That the Ancient Phylosophers did often endeavour to compose in a most short time above the Earth, those
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things, which by Nature, in many years, were perfected under the Earth; viz. To make most perfect and most pretious *Sol* and *Lune*; wherein they imitated the footsteps of Nature, choosing to themselves most pure Earths, white and Red, which they named their *Sol* and *Lune*; joyning them together as Nature doth, without repugnance, untill at length they were brought to a fixation and subtilty: This thing also is needfull for you to perform, if you desire to obtain the desired end in this Science.

For *Sol* and *Lune*, is nothing else, but *Red* and *White* Earth, to which Nature

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Nature hath perfectly joyued
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them hath produced *Sol* and
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It is therefore needfull
for thee, seeking this *Science*,
That first thou get these
Earths, White and Red,
subtile, pure and fixed, and
in these two Earths to fix
two *Mercuries*, white in the
white, and red in the red,
without division, and by
their least parts, so as they
may endure the greatest
examen of the fire, and may
have such fusion, that as we
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ter coloured with a little
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tinge every mettall, and all metalline spirits whatsoever, so as they be of the same Kind and Nature, and may altogether and fully bring them to their own quality.

And moreover, that in themselves they may be infinitely multiplied, and able to free the body of Man from the worst and most deadly Diseases; which Properties truly are not found in common *Sol* and *Lune*, without great Labour, (and yet but onely in part) because that the Vegetative power, the Mother of all increase, for the most part, is long since extinct in them.

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If thou know how to perform this, and to imitate the condition of the inferiour nature in making Mettals, thou mayst worthily rejoyce in the name of a Phylosopher, as being not meanly expert in natural things.

It is to be noted, That the more Antient Phylosophers used not common *Sol* and *Lune* in this Work, and therefore they said, That their work needed not great Cost and Charges, but that it might be as well performed by the Poor, as the Rich: Which were altogether different from the truth; if it could not be performed without Common *Sol* and *Lune*: For they are very

pretious and rare, and hardly to be gotten of poor men without great labour. Indeed, many have brought great quantities of *Sol* and *Lune* to nothing by this Art, and have unprofitably spent and wasted their Time and Labour, to the destruction both of their Bodies and Souls, which is much to be lamented.

Moreover, in these our Times, we know no man who doth diligently and truly find out the Philosophers Tinctures, but most of them labour absurdly and vainly in vulgar *Mercury*, and in common *Sol* and *Lune*; therefore few of them obtain this grace.

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Let us take heed ; for although *Sol* and *Lune* may be subtilated and mixed with tinctures , and so reduced into lesser tinctures and Elixers with mean profit ; yet the true way according to the Doctrine of Philosphers, is not in them : for *Sol* and *Lune* are two tinctures Principal , red and white, buried in one and the same body, which by nature were never brought to perfect compliment , yet they are separable from their dirty and earthy accidentall dross, and afterward according to their proper qualities, are made most fit ferments for pure earth, white and red , so as in no sort

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they are said to need any other thing.

For the whole Work is one, and the thing it self is one, and all the whole is derived from an Image. For our Ancestors knew, that the parts of this our Stone are celestiall and concrete; which were altogether absurd, if common *Sol* and *Lune* were needfull to the composition thereof.

For it is said, Take a body wherein is *Argent vive*, pure, clean, unspotted, and incompleat of Nature: such a body after its compleat and perfect cleansing, is much better then the Bodies of Mineral *Sol* and *Lune*.

Of this self-same body,
which

which is the matter of the Stone, three things are chiefly said; namely, that it is a green Lyon, a stinking Gumme, and a white Fume.

But this is spoken of Phylosophers, purposely to deceive Folks, and to bring them into doubts, by the many and different names.

But understand thou shalt, one thing alwaies is really signified, though accidentally and by names it is said to be three: for the *green Lyon*, *stinking Liquor*, and *white Fume*, are spoken of one and the same subject, wherein they altogether lie hid, untill by Art they are made manifest.

By the *green Lion*, all Philosophers mean *green Sol*; multipliable and spermatick, which is as yet incompleat by Nature, having power to reduce Bodies to the first matter, and to make fixed things spirituall and flying, and so it is fitly called a *Lion*.

For as every Beast is subject to the *Lion*, so every Metalline body is confirmed and strengthened by the power of this *Liony* and *green Sol*; namely, of our *Mercury*, when it is Philosophically prepared.

This is bred and born with a certain water, which we call *Argent vive* of the Philosophers, and white

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stance: These are alwaies
named our *Mercuries*; and
after due conjunction, de-
codtion, and digestion, we
call our White and Red
Stones.

By the *stinking gumme*,
we mean a certain stinking
smell, proceeding from the
unclean Body in the first di-
stillation, which is altoge-
ther like unto stinking *Assa-*
fatida, that with a certain
sweetness, whereof it is said
before its preparation, its
smell is grievous; which is
most certain: but after that,

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in a due manner it shall be prepared and circulated into any quintessence.

This dignified matter of Philosophers abounds with unspeakable sweetness, having power to cure the Leprotic, and other grievous Diseases; and without this our living *Sol*, it is impossible to make *aurum potable*, to cure with; which of Philosophers is called the *Elixer of Life*, and of *Metals*.

Yet I deny not, but that Philosophers may very well and with good success, dissolve Mineral *Lune* and *Sol* with radical things of their own kind, and as yet not perfected by Nature, and so may attain

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Princes who do most abound
with *Sol* and *Lune*: but this
way is universally open and
lawfull unto all men, yet
chiefly for poor men, as be-
ing more brief, and of lesse
Cost.

It is called a *white Fume*,
because that in the first di-
stillation, before the red
tincture doth ascend, there
riseth a fume truly white,
whereby the receiver is
clouded with a frequent
milkish shadow and moy-
sture, for which cause it is
called the *Virgins Milk*.
Wherefore, wheresoever
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thou shalt find a substance endued with these three qualities, know that it is the true matter of the Philosophers Stone.

There ariseth a Question very difficult, which much troubleth fantastick Heads, viz. our Stone sheweth it self in a foul shape, because it is in every thing, and in every place; whence many men reading this, make choice of several and stinking things, which with great labour they distil, calcine, & joyn together. But let such hear what the Phisosophers say, *Who so seeks the Philosophers Secrets in Turds looseth his Labour, and in the end finds nothing but deceit.*

Yet.

Yet there is also another thing which troubleth these mens Brains, *viz.* our Stone is bred between two Mountains, it is cast out into the Dunghill, and trodden under mens feet, it is counted a most vile and contemptible thing, it is generated between Male and Female, and lieth hide in Thee, in Me, and in such like things. And contrarily it is said, Our Stone cannot be in things differing from its kind, namely, from the Nature of *Sol* and *Lune*; for nothing can give that which it hath not. A Nettle cannot produce a Rose, nor a Woman a Dog; How then shall we resolve so many

many doubts rising from
Contrarieties?

Truly, it is easily done ;
for it is plain, That nothing
in this World, whether it
be Animal, Vegetable, or
Mineral, can be generated
without a natural and a spe-
cial appetite.

Therefore according to
the Doctrine of Phyloso-
phers, which informs us on-
ly by obscure Examples ;
We must understand that
the Stone may be by Simili-
tude in every thing, and in all
places, chiefly, because it is
nothing else but a specifical
vertue and quality joynd
with natural heat, whereby
every compounded thing is
brought to his perfectest de-
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Things generally spoken are alwaies generally to be understood, for what earthly thing can be in every thing, and in all places, but only a specifical Appetite, and a natural Heat; for these are the immediate and near causes without which the Stone cannot be.

Whosoever therefore desireth to understand the Stone, let him not depart from his specifical quality and Original.

Of a Man cometh a Man, of a Rose a Rose; so likewise from a matter which is potentially Gold, having things necessary, and Excrements purged, ariseth *Sol* by an inward Appetite; therefore

fore from a Metall ariseth a multitude of metalline tincture and perfection: The Stone is made of a metall, living, hot and moist, when natural heat is joyned with it, whereby it is made apt to generate its like. For our Stone is most pure matter, viz. the nature of *Sol*, containing in it self a vegetable heat, whereby it hath power and vertue alwaies to multiply in its own specificall and natural form; therefore it is called the secret Fire of nature, stirring up the compound, and perfecting it in our Glasse into a Stone, in like manner as seed, by reason of its own proper naturall heat, and radicall moisture,

moisture, if its mother Earth doth putrifie to admirable Generation and Multiplication.

Whosoever therefore keeps not this our heat, our fire, our balnium, our invisible and most temperate flame, and of one regiment, and continually burning in one quality and measure within our Glasse; I say, whosoever understands not this Dunghill, horsebelly, and moist fire, shall labour in vain, and shall never attain this Science.

Thou seest therefore that the radical humidity, which is that first vegetable Vertue, is the cause of multiplication of every thing in its kind.

kind. Therefore of the
Composition of *Sol* and *Lune*
take our burning water, that
Aqua vite, which the igno-
rant do think, but falsly, to
be extracted from Wine,
Oyl, and such like Li-
quors.

I say, such green *Sol* and
Lune, in which the vegetable
vertue is not extinguished,
but is living, hot and moist,
and hath power to reduce all
Bodies to their vegetability;
for by this, with Gods per-
mission, bodies extinct, and
not multipliable, may more
easily get the habit and ver-
tue to germinate, which of
Phylosophers is called the
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whence the Stone is genera-
ted.

Marie

Marie the Prophetesse in
an Epistle to *Aron*, writeth,
That the Body taken from
little Mountains, is a Body
white and clear, not suffering
putrefaction nor motion, and
it is that which is generated be-
tween Male and Female; By
those little Mountains is un-
derstood *Sol* and *Lune*, which
are naturally separated from
us by a great distance, by
whose influence Gold and
Silver are generated, both
which are in our Mercu-
ry.

By Male and Female, we
understand Agent and Pati-
ent, Active and Passive, both
which are also in our active
Mercury, and in our Passive
Earth.

Whereby

Whereby, without doubt, is inferred, that a mineral Earth and Water are the Active and Passive matter, as the Philosophers Stone. And here hence appears that community between the Poor and Rich; seeing that the Stone may be made of one thing, without visible *Sol* and *Lune*.

But here by the way, I advertise thee, that betwixt the Elixer and the Stone there is this difference; for the Stone rejoyceth in unity and simplicity, but the Elixer in plurality.

The Stone therefore is one thing, our *Mercury*, *Sol*, *Lune*, our Lincture white and red, which may be naturally

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naturally joyned with its own proper Earth, or with the Earth taken from the little Mountains, and may easily be obtained by mortal men. But the Elixer is the same vegetable *Mercury*, which yet by reason of its fixation, is said not to be common, but consisting of many things, for it is absolutely fix'd in the Earth of common *Sol* and *Lune*: And therefore it alwayes consisteth of many things, viz. of *Mercury* vegetable, and of a different Earth, which is neither Common nor fit for poor men. But of this Earth, it is not much to be respected of what substance it is, so it be fix'd.

Alphidius

Alphidius is of the same Opinion, saying, *The Faces, from whence this Earth is taken, seeing it is of no value, is altogether to be rejected, and the Mercury to be planted in another subtil Earth: For its own Earth is seldom natural in the composition of the Elixer.*

Yet, my Friend, I will name it to thee by its own Name, whereby the common People name it; and it is the end of the Egg, whereby we understand the nature of Metals, viz. *Mercury* rightly mix'd by Nature, with its own sulphur, of its own accord inclined by putrefaction and growing.

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From this Egg, three things must be considered; namely, The Yolk, the White, and the Shell; and this last is only and altogether necessary for Philosophers, which is called the end of the Egg; that is, the last part, rejoycing in perfection, having the likeness of a little Mountain, and also generated between Male and Female; which when it is perfectly calcined it exceeds all Earths whatsoever in whiteness and subtilty, enduring the greatest fire, embracing Tincture, and desiring a metal in Nature, which is hardly believed of Workers in the Art, unless they being

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 Mistress of things, that they
 be compelled to confesse and
 admire it. But another
 Earth, wherein there is
 any Mercurial humidity,
 will not drink up our *Mer-*
cury with so much greediness,
 and therefore it is
 not so commodious; the rea-
 son is, because it aboundeth
 with its proper and natural
 humidity, but this hath none
 such, for its humidity was
 naturally transferred to the
 generation and union of the
 White and the Yolk.

Yet we deny not, that this
 vertue is necessary, yet pro-
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parts to the inward, yet so as it be mixed with the Elixer of life; this Earth is wholly contemned, when the matter included is corrupted, and is cast out on the Dunghill, and every where troden under foot, and accounted unprofitable.

Sometimes I desiring to try whether it would joyn with our unctious humidity: I put it thereto, which it drunk up with so great appetite as that it seemed spongiuous, & a most fat congelation, rather then an Earth naturally naked; from which when I had gently evoparated *Mercury*, it remained very Citron.

Here I will end and shew what matter, and what way of practice is necessary for this Work and Art.

Of the Practick, and Operative Part.

In the Name of God take a Drop of the Green Lyon, which I have mentioned before, and dissolve him in distill'd Vinegar very well for ten dayes, stirring the Compound strongly three times every day, that it may be well mixed: then separate the Foeces three times by filter; afterward evaporate the Vineger with a gentle fire, untill it be thick as
Pitch

Pitch, then pour it out, and keep it safe.

Having 12 pounds of the Green Lyon thus brought into Gum, thou may'st believe, that thou halt seen Earth of Earth, and the Brother of Earth, whereof Philosophers have so often spoken; put thereof three pound into a Glass, whose third part may contain at least four Sextaries of Wine: put it into a Furnace with Sand, so as the Sand may be two fingers thick under the Glass, and about and above the Matter; then the matter being a little dryed with a gentle heat, put a Receiver not yet luted thereto: after a few hours, having received a
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certain light Water, when thou seest a certain white Fume begin to ascend, put thereto another most long & most large Receiver, which lay close, least the Spirits break forth, which are most necessary in this Work:

Note also, that from the first appearing of the White Fume, the fire must be discreetly increased by little and little: This same tinctureth the Receiver with a certain thick and milky humidity which is our Lüne, and therewith shal also ascend a most red oyl, called the Philosophers aerial Gold, a stinking Menstruum, the Philosophers Sol, our Tincture, Burning water, the Blood of
Green

Green Lyon, our unctious humidity, which is the last comfort of Man's Body in this Life; the Philosophers Mercury, the Solutive Water, which dissolveth *Sol* under conservation of its Species; it hath also many other Names.

Continue this Distillation from the first appearance of the white Fume 12 hours following: then remove the Receiver, and stop it close, lest the Spirits be lost, which are very volatile and penetrative: And thus thou hast the Blood of the Green Lyon, called *The Secret Water*, and most sharp Vinegar, by which all Bodies may be reduced to their first Matter,

and purgeth Man's Body
from all Infirmities.

This is our Fire alwayes
equally burning in one
measure within the Glass,
and not without: This is
our Dung-hill, our Aqua-
vitæ, our Balmy, our Horse-
belly, working and produ-
cing many Wonders in the
most secret Work of Na-
ture: It is also the Exami-
ner of all Bodies dissolved,
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hot and moist, most sharp, a
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Take the Fœces left in the bottom, as soon as they are cold ; for they are our Cross-Bill, far blacker then Pitch, which thou may'st set on fire, by putting a kindled Cole into it ; so as they shall be calcined of their own accord into a most Yellow Earth : But this Calcination sufficeth not for its perfect cleansing ; put it therefore into a Reverberatory, with a moderate heat, for eight dayes, and so many Nights following, increasing the heat and flame, till it be white as Snow ; they may also be calcined in a Potters Furnace, being meanly hot.

Having this white Earth, thou may'st putrifie and alter it, or the Calxes of other Metals prepared, as I will teach you in that which followeth, at thy pleasure, into a new Whiteness or Redness, by meanes of our *Lune* or *Mercury*, which putrifieth with them by Generation, and Vegetation; which Properties they wanted before: for the Phylosophers say, first calcine, then putrifie and dissolve; distill, sublime, descent, and fix often with our *Aquavita*; wash and dry, and make a Marriage between the Body and the Spirit; and if the Water be congealed, by a natural commixture with the Body, then

then the Body shall dye of
the Flux, shedding its bloud,
and putting on many Co-
lours; after the third Day,
he shall ascend and descend,
first to the Moon, then to the
Sun, through the round O-
cean Sea, and without end,
sitting in a very little Ship;
and when his Journey is
ended, he shall immediately
obtain the Victory, for do-
ing whereof, there shall not
need any great expence:
And thus thou may'st wait
again patiently the Harvest,
and thou should be fill'd
with Joy and Riches. And
now we will speak of Putre-
faction.

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Philosophers eg, and thereon
put of the red tincture to
cover it two fingers; then
seal it, and set it to putrifie
eight daies in a most cold
place; which being ended,
it will drink up the humidi-
ty; again pour on as much
of the tincture, and let it
stand as before for other
eight daies, continuing again
the said imbibitions and
times: let it stand till it cease
to drink any more tincture;
remove it not from its place,
untill it be blacker then any
pitch; which being seen,
set it into a natural balmy,
that the moisture with the
black Earth may be digest-
ed, and fixed into a white
Mineral: then divide it into

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two equal parts, and work the one for the white, and the other for the red stone: which thou shalt thus easily perform; Ferment the one part with the oyl of *Lune*, that is, with white water, and the other part with the oyl of *Sol*, that is, with the red water; and so by greater heat and digestion, it shall be converted into a most red powder, like Dragons blood.

This powder being joyned with a part of our *Mercury*, and circulated, is called *Aurum Potabile*, Elixer of life and of Mettalls, which transmuteth *Mercury* and all imperfect mettals into most perfect *Sol*.

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But here learn a general Rule; If thou ordain the Elixer only for the white, then keep one part of the red work, distill the other part with a gentle fire, taking the white water, which we call our white tincture, our Eagle, our white *Mercury*, and Virgins milk, and having these two *Mercuries*, thou mayst practise with them, either upon their own Earths, or upon the calxes of Metals prepared.

For it is said, The Earth is not much to be respected, so that it be fix'd. Therefore take which thou wilt, being first altered into whiteness; and for the white work, you may ferment thus;

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Take the Calx of *Lune* and Earth altered, equall parts, grind them together, and temper them with white *Mercury*, named Virgins milk, which keep safe; sublime the rest not fixed, and that which ariseth to the sides of the glass, like *Mercury* sublimed, reiterate upon his proper calxes, grinding and tempering with our Virgins milk, distilling and subliming as before, untill no fire will raise it.

This our *Mercury* sublimed and fixed, made of the white Earth of bodjes altered, arising at first admirably by the vertue and help of water.

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This is that *Mercury*, instead of which the unlearned take the compounded of common *Mercury*, *Vitriol*, and *Sol* sublimed; wherein they are deceived: when this is thus fixed into white earth, it is afterward calcined, whereof is made an Elixer or stone as followeth; Put it into a circulatorie, and pour thereon Virgins milk to cover it, then circulate it to the thickness of oyl, by drying and calcining it, as often as thou wilt, for by this means it may be augmented infinitely.

But before thou make projection, congeal it into an oily powder, one part thereof converts thousand, nay
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ten thousand parts of *Argent vive*, and the other Mettals into pure *Lune*, enduring all trialls.

In like manner thou shalt work with the Red Water upon the calx of Metals, by fermenting and subliming upon the calx of *Sol* altered.

And note, That thou canst have no perfect ferment, untill it be altered with *Mercurie* from their first qualities, into a new whitenesse and rednesse by means of Putrifaction and alteration, which before it wanted.

But when after putrifaction, it shall be reduced into Whiteness, then it becomes spiritual, and is more
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apt to joyn better with our *Mercurie* sublimed naturally, and by the least parts, and also to be fixed together inseparably; which would not be so naturall, if one part were fixed, and the other part to be separated.

Moreover, when spirits have not vertue to penetrate bodies, nor bodies appetite to imbrace spirits, it is impossible that they should be joyned by their least parts.

But contrarily, when ferments are made spirituall, then spirits will joyn with spirits, and the body which was most perfectly fix'd, is naturally disposed, and inclined to return to his former.

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mer fixation ; which without doubt cannot possibly be in bodies which were never perfectly fix'd, but the body before fixation, desiring a solid habit and fixation, draweth with him, and into his disposition, all spirits whatsoever, which are joyned with him, and not degenerating as *Sulphur vive*, *Arsnick* sublimed, *Bole-Armonick*, and such like.

Common *Mercury* sublimed, may very well be joyned with spiritual ferments, which with calx of ferment not altered, will never be perfectly joyned.

Therefore this part of natural Phylosophie excludeth all citrinations and dealba-

dealbations, which were not produced by a perfect alteration before the tincture, were joynd to their bodies and spirits.

For nothing can be made an *Elixer*, untill it hath pass'd the Philosophical Wheel; which being unknown, all labour comes to nothing.

OF

Of the abbre- viation of the Work.

*wherein almost all Elixers are
contained, and the wayes
to make them.*

The First Abbreviation.

TAke Vitriol, calcine it
into ashes, then beat
them into most subtile pow-
der; put them in an Urinal,
and pour thereto Virgins
Milk to cover them, stop
the Urinal with a Linnen
cloth, and let it stand eight
dayes,

dayes, then adde thereto as much of the aforesaid Milk, reiterating this from eight dayes to eight dayes, and when it will drink no more, let it stand in a cold place, close stopt, untill a certain Cristalline earth like Fishes eyes, appear in the upper part thereof, which sepeare from the gross part remaining in the bottom, which put into the Philosophers Egg to digest discretely untill it be perfectly fixed.

Then increase the fire, till it be perfect yellow, and then again increase the fire, until it be red as Dragons blood: Then add to this a part of red Mercury, to cover it, and congeal it by circulation

culatation into Oyl, and after-ward into Powder, and do thus three times.

Project one part of this Powder upon forty of most pure Lune, melted with one part of most fine Sol, and it shall be converted into most pure Sol: or if you project it upon Amalgum of Mercury and Sol, or of Mercury and Lune, it shall be more certain, and more plenti- full.

But if thou wilt have Gold most perfect, and most high, take the Elixer out of the Egg, put it in an Urinal, and poure upon of the fore- said red Mercury, equally compounded, and mixed with a strong Corrasive made

made of Vitriol and Sulphur, which evaporate from the Elixer with a most gentle fire, and by this means the tincture of the one water and of the other, shall be fixed with the Elixer, by augmenting its quantity and colour; which being often repeated, the Elixer shall be converted into the form of Oyl, in which if you quench Lamins of Lune nealed, they shall be throughout ting'd into most perfect Sol, which being melted with a part of most pure Gold, it shall be purer then any common Gold.

But if you take as much of the white Earth of *Mars* altered as before, of Vitriol,

Vitriol, fixing it upon the calx of *Sol* altered, and afterward rubified, and then convert it into Oyl as before, with the said compounded water; thou shalt have a great Elixer, converting every Metall into most pure Gold.

This work may be done in twelve weeks: but it is not good for the health of Mans body.

In the same manner with the ferment of *Lune* altered, thou mayst fix the white Earth of *Vitriol*, and of *Mars* altered, which are reduced into Oyl with the foresaid Virgins Milk, being equally mixed with water of common *Mercury*, sublimed, fixed, and calcined,

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so hast thou the best Elixer
to convert all Bodies into
most pure *Lune*.

The Second Abbreviation.

IF thou canst artificially
prepare the aforesaid
white or red water, thou
mayst farr sooner attain the
end of the work. First there-
fore fix *Mercury* sublimed,
and calcine it, and then dis-
solve it in the other *Mercury*
white or red, untill they be
made one water:purifie this
water three weeks, and it
will alter the calxes of any
Metall; for in this work is
joyned

joyned a two-fold Water,
namely, natural and against
nature.

The way to fix *Mercury*
sublimed, is thus: First sub-
lime *Mercury*; if there be
half a pound of it, joyn here-
to half a pound of *Saltpeter*,
and as much of *Vitriol*,
grinding and tempering the
mixture with distilled *Ac-
tum*, till all become like
white Paste; when they are
thus incorporated, sublime
seven times, that of his own
accord he may be clear, then
fix it in this manner: put two
or three pound in a long re-
ceiver, stop the mouth, place
it in ashes, so as the Globe
may be wholly covered; the
first week, give it a gentle

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fire; the second week stronger, and the third most strong: this done, it shall be very well fixed. Again, dissolve it in Virgins Milk, after the foresaid way and order; if thou wantest money, thou mayst obtain a branch or particular, in farr shorter time.

Thus, take the foresaid white compoundèd Mercury, and fix it upon the calx of *Lune*, not altered by circulating it thereon, and when one part is fixed, add more, repeating it often, untill the calx it self melt like Butter on a fiery Cole.

One part thereof projected upon ten of Mercury purged, maketh good *Lune* for

for Vessels and Household-Ornaments. This self-same way thou mayst handle our red Mercuries composition, being made as before with the said water extracted from Mercury sublimed, fixed, calcined, and dissolved in the said red Water, so as it be then calcined upon the calx of *Sol* not altered, and thou hast the best tincture to convert *Lune* into *Sol*, whereof Rings and other things may be made.

The Third Abbreviation.

Put into a Circulatory,
an ounce of the calx of
the Egg-shells very well re-
verberated, and pour there-
on of white or red *Mercury*
to cover it; then nip the
glass, or stop it close with
lute made of powder of Iron,
Vitriol, and Honey, well
boyled together, circulating
in balneo, till it be dryed up
into powder.

This done, pour in more,
observing the same order,
untill it be made oyl; This
converts *Mercury*, and the
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other Metalls into most perfect *Sol* and *Lune*, according to the nature and disposition of the Elixer.

After the same manner thou mayst circulate our *Mercury* upon the Calxes of Metals. There can be no way shorter than this; for if thou put an ounce of calx of *Sol* with *Mercury*, before likewise fixed, and pour thereto as much red *Mercury* as may cover the calx two fingers breadth, then stop it close with Paste compounded with Honey, Bole-armenick, and Iron dust, mix'd and strongly tempered and boyled, till it be stiff and black.

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Then set the circulatory in a Furnace, and with gentle heat digest the red *Mercury* into a red and fixed calx, then adde thereto as much more of that *Mercury*, circulate and dry it as before, till the Calx have drunk as much *Mercury* as it can, and be converted into a thick blackish oyl, and so thou hast an Elixer which converts ten parts of *Mercury*, purged and heated, into a most red powder dry and fixed, which if thou also put into a Circulatorie with increase, and digest by imbibition and congelation, as before, it shall be so much increased in quantity: And thus thou mayst multiply this Elixer infinitely. One

One ounce thereof will congeale a hundred of crude *Mercury* into powder; of which powder, one ounce will convert ten of any metal into most pure *Sol*.

And this way thou mayst work with the Calx of *Lune* and *Mercurie* joyned together, so as evaporation be made by Circulation, and adding our naturall white *Mercurie*, untill it be reduced into oyl, proceeding in all points as in the former, with the red *Mercurie* upon the calx of *Sol*, and so thou shalt have a white *Elixer* converting all bodies into most pure and perfect *Lune*.

The Fourth Abbreviation.

TAke an ounce of the Earth of the quintessence, smelling most sweetly, and an ounce of the *Mercury* of Virgins Milk; powder the Earth, and joyn it with the *Mercurie*.

This way shall be made a perfect composition in the first order for the white Elixer, which by longer time and greater fire is reduced into a red Elixer; put therefore the compound into a blind Urinal (as it is call'd) very close stopt, and digest

gest it in dung equally for
15 dayes; then take it out,
and shut it up in a Philoso-
phers Egge, and digest it
in a gent.e. heat, till it be
black, and so unto perfect
whiteness. This we call
a white Elixer: within this
time, the fire being increa-
sed, will be red, of which
one ounce cements hundreds
of Mercury into Sol.

To multiply it, take a part
thereof, and joyn it in the
foresaid manner with Vir-
gins milk, digest as before,
unto whiteness, and then un-
to redness.

In this second repetition,
the Projection will be upon
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four hundred. By this Projection thou mayst multiply it at thy pleasure.

The Fifth Abbreviation.

Dissolve the red Calx of *Sol* and *Mercurie* in the first most strong Corrosive composed of Salt-Peter and Vitriol the common way; put the solution in a pellican in balneo, drawing off the one half, then stop it most close, dry it up with a gentle heat; then add more of the Corrosive, observing the foresaid order, in dissolving,

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ving, evaporating and congealing ten times, untill the Corrosive cease to arise; which is then done, when by no fire it can be fixed into powder, but remaineth like oyl and thick.

This *Elixer* converts *Mercury*, and every metall into most perfect *Sol*; This work ought to be done in a Circulatory placed in an Earthen Pot, wherein it must stand covered with dung to the middle; This Pot must be full of holes in the bottome, and must be placed upon the mouth of a Copper Vessell half fill'd with hot water, as a Copper Vessell is placed of a Furnace, wherein fire must be made to be

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continued discreetly for necessity of digestion.

This Experiment is called *Rustum.*

Of the Minerall Stone.

GOD is wonderfull in his Works, who is Vertue, teaching the Truth.

Take in this name the *Mercury* white or red, simple or compounded, and dissolve therein five stones of the Sea; Doing in all things as you did in *Vitriol*, and thou shalt

shalt have the great *Elixer*.

By the same way of u-
trification, all Mineralls may
be altered, and so of every
fixed thing (a due matter be-
ing added) may be made an
Elixer, for our *Mercury* white
and red must be joyned with
fixed things which want
Mercury; and this way the
Metalline Bodies may be
brought into a metalline
form, namely a Vitrified
Powder, as also Egg-shells,
which when they are per-
fectly calcined, will endure
fire more than *Sol*; and
thereof being well and arti-
ficially ting'd, Philosophers
have made *Sol* in the space
of one day, which Nature
cannot do under-ground in a
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thousand years : A thing hard and incredible to the unlearned ; yet true and most certain, and confirmed by the Testimony of many men.

Be thou therefore not solicitous or curious in choosing thine Earth, so that it be of a Metalline Nature, and induring the Fire.

Hereby Glass is made malleable, and by meanes of this Tincture, is converted into transparent and fixed Metall, whereby it appeareth, that this Science is possible.

For there is no Earth which doth more easily embrace the Spirituality of our *Mercury*, than that which is most

most deprived of *Mercury*, and moiture; which Privation thou shalt not find in Bodies of another Nature, although yet they be very much calcined.

Wherefore it appeareth manifestly, that seeing *Sol* and *Lune*, are nothing else but Earth, Red and White, wherein a most pure *Mercury* is fixed and joyned by the least parts, that *Philosophers* (having the same Elements) may artificially imitate Nature in her Composition under the Earth, to produce the same effect: for it is certain, that Earth may be fermented to Water, so as it be fixed; and Water fermented to Earth, if it be perfect.

perfect and cleansed; and this without the help of any common *Sol* or *Lune*: And therefore *Philosophers* in their Writings have taught, that the Stone is equally common both to the Poor and Rich.

These things considered, thou shalt understand, that our Stone lyeth hidden, and secretly lurketh, often in places least suspected, and nothing esteemed, whose matter and nearness, if it should be known, would produce most great danger.

It is to be noted; that the *Philosophers* have found out divers wayes of handling this one thing: But I answer for them all, and briefly con-

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conclude, That our Earth doth drink up and fix our *Mercury*; and that this *Mercury* doth wash and ting our Earth, and so doth perfect it into the Stone, without any further ferment.

For the white *Mercury* giveth a most perfect Tincture of *Lune*, and the Red *Mercury* of *Sol*: Therefore, when they are fixed in convenient Earths, they make *Sol* and *Lune*, without the help of common Gold and Silver. Behold thou understandest this Tincture, which we draw out from a vile thing of no price: yet note, that he that hath Salt in his Breast, may ferment this Tincture with common
Gold

Gold, whereby he may obtain incomparable Riches, yet with Wisdom, with most great Cost, and not without danger.

For from *Sol* alone, by means of this Tincture, which is our burning Wine, is made a most pretious and a most perfect Elixer, white and red; for it rejoyceth in fulness of white and red Sulpher, whereby may be made most perfect Silver.

Of this Work, I have written more fully in my Seventh Book; wherein I Treat of the manifold plenty of Gold, and of the greatest Elixer of Life: But here also I will briefly touch it. Understand therefore, that it be-

behoveth thee to alter the Calx of Gold (with the foresaid Stone, equally mix'd with the Water of Mercury, sublimed and perfectly fixed) into most white and fixed Sulpher.

Then calcine it well, that the strength and poyson of the Fire against Nature put to it, do haften to Putrifaction and alteration, may be utterly destroyed.

Then imbibe it with the foresaid simple Milk, untill the Calx it self have drunk up a reasonable quantity thereof, and that it be fixed.

Dissolve it again with the same Milk, and make it volatile ; afterwards fix and calcine

cine, and then bring it into Oyl, with a little part of that Virgins Milk by circulation, and so it shall be a perfect Elixer, converting *Mercury*, and each imperfect *Mettal*, into most perfect *Lune*: and by the same way, thou mayst rubifie the other part with our Red *Mercury* by fixing and calcining, and afterward dissolving it with the same Red Menstruum; and at last by circulating it into a thick Oyl, which we call potable Gold, a curing and preserving Exixer of Life, and of Metals.

Know also, That if our Red *Mercury* equally with *Mercury* sublimed and fixed, be circulated with Lutrie,

Vitriol,

Vitriol, or Iron, before and after Rubification, be digested into Oyl, it will convert thine Lamins, of *Lube* nealed and injected into pure *Sol*, which if thou afterward taketh out, it will serve for all need to live withall.

It is a general Rule, That if thou wilt be a Master of this Art, it is needful to make all Medicines gurous and fusible, melting like wax of their own accord, without Fume, upon a Plate nealed.

For by this means, each part will follow the other in Projection and will joyntly dilate themselves through the Pores of the Metal, without any disjunction: but if
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any part be ponderous, it will separate the parts of the Metal, & make it brittle.

Therefore the Medicine must be often subtilated, after that it is perfectly fixed, that at least it may be an incombustible Oyl, and rather may be called a *Species*, then a *Genus*, because it is nothing else but a fixed Tincture of Colour.

If (this thing observed) thou canst prepare thy Medicine thus, thou shalt make fair Metals, and malleable, or else not.

Also here understand, two Bodies to be dissolved with the Natural Menstruum, is always the second Calx, not the first; and therefore it

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behoveth thee to dissolve
Calx of Mettals with a com-
pound *Mercury*, as before is
taught, that they may sooner
putrifie, and be altered into
the second Calx (which we
call *Sulpher of Nature*, and
Foliated Earth) which we
then dissolve and circulate
into Oyl, with a Simple
Menstruum; namely, Na-
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The Calcination of Metals,

NOW learn how Metals are to be calcined: Know therefore, that *Saturn* and *Jupiter* we calcine onely one way, which is this: Put either of them into a great Iron Vessel, and in the Fire, so that the Flame may beat upon the Metall; and draw off the Scum with an Iron Rake, to the sides of the Vessel, stirring it often, until it grow white; then searse it, & gather the subtile Powder; one Ounce is sufficient for thee.

Sprinkle

Sprinkle *Venus* and *Mars* with the best Viniger well distilled, that they may gather Rust: burn this with most strong Fire in an Iron Dish; when it is red-hot, cool it in the best Acetum, evaporate that Acetum, and gather a most red Earth; which dry, and keep safely.

Amalgame *Sol* and *Lune*, and grind it on a Marble with Powder of Salt, prepared without any moisture, untill no *Mercury* appear: then sublime and evaporate the *Mercury* with strong fire; grind that in the bottome into most subtile Powder, and sublime, untill no *Mercury* remain with it; wash the

Calx with hot Water, to take away the Salt; dry it, and thou shalt have a Calx more subtile then Meal.

Another way is thus: Take thin Lamins of Sol, neal and cast them into *Mercury*, heated on hot Ashes; so the *Mercury* will drink up the Sol.

Note, That every Ounce of *Sol* requireth four and twenty Ounces of *Mercury*; put this a malgame in a larg Glas; bury it in Sand in a great Furnace, give it Fire by degrees; after the sixth hour make it vehement: continue this heat five dayes and nights, at each hour putting down the *Mercury* which ascendeth, with a linnen Cloth, bound with a little

the Iron Rod, and stopping
the Glass with Lute, till at
last all become a Powder
redder then Blood, which
then we call the first Calx,
good and perfect; with
which, if you mix Fire of
Nature, to use his Vertues,
as it requireth, thou canst not
erre in this Science.

The Recapitulation.

I Have told out of what,
and how thou shalt make
our *Mercury* white and red,
and how this *Mercury* is to
be actuated and sharpned;
how thou shalt prepare

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Calx, how to purifie and alter them into a new Whiteness, which we call our *Mercury* sublimed; how to abbreviate the time of Putrifaction and Alteration; how to fix and dissolve again, and then how to circulate into a white and red Elixer; how by Imbibitions, with proper Waters white and red, they may be infinitely multiplied to an incredible profit.

Learn therefore *Patience*, fear God and love him, keep these Secrets, and then the Lord will bless thine Endeavours.

Saint *Dunstan* lived, and was Archbishop of *Canterbury*, in the Reign of King *Edgar*, and *Etheldred* his Son,

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as appeareth by an Antient Monument yet extant, in St. Paul's Church in London, containing a Prophecie in these Words :

Here lyeth Etheldred King of England, Son of King Edgar; to whom (on the Day of his Consecration, after his Coronation) it is reported, that St. Dunstan, Archbishop of Cante bury, Prophecied openly this Curse ;

Because thou hast aspired to the Kingdom, by the Death of thy Brother ; in whose Blood, the English, with thy infamous Mother, have conspired, the Sword shall not depart from thy House, but shall be against Thee

all the Dayes of thy Life, destroying thy Seed, untill thy Kingdom be transferred to another Kingdom, whose King and Language the Nation, over whom thou Reignest knowest not: Neither shall thy Sin, and the Sin of thy Mother, and the Sin of those men, who were necessary to that wicked Council be expiated, but by a long Revenge.

Which Things came to pass, as were fore-told by that Holy Man: For Etheldred having been in divers Battles miserably vexed, and put to flight by King Swans-Dans and his Son, and at last straitly Besieged, and shut.

shut up in London; He there miserably dyed, in the Year of our Lord, 1017. after he had Reigned 36. Years in great Tribulation.

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DUNSTAN *of the*
Stone of the Philosophers ;
with the Experiments of
Rumelius of New-Mar-
ket.

I.

TAke of the best red
transparent oar of gold,
as much as you can have,
drive its Spirit from it
through a Retort ; this is the
Azoth and the *Acetum* of
Philosophers, from its pro-
per minera, which openeth
radi-

radically *Sol* that is prepared.

I. I.

Take the Minera of *Venus* or *Saturn*, drive their spirits in a Retort, each of these dissolveth Gold radically, after its purification.

I. II.

Take Pulverised oar of *Saturn*, or vulgar *Saturn* calcined, extract its salt with *Acetum*, or its *Antina*, purifie it in the best manner, that it be transparent as Crystall, and sweet as honey, and be fluid in heat like Wax, and brittle when cold.

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This is the Tree, which is cut off, of unwholesome Fruits, on which must be inoculated the twiggs of Sol.

IV.

Take of that Earth which lyeth waste in the Field, found every where in Moorish grounds, into which the Astrals ejaculate their operations, being adorned with all manner of Colours, appearing like a Rainbow; extract from it its purest and subtillest. This is the Universal *Menstruum* for all; and is all in all.

V.

Take of the Oar of *Sol* and *Mercurie* a like quantity, grinde each very well, pour on it the Spirit of *Mercurie*, that it stand over 3. fingers deep; dissolve and digest it in a gentle warmth. *a month*

VI.

Take of the best *Vitriol*, or of the *Vitriol* of *Venus*, drive their Spirits in a Retort, white and red; with this red Spirit being rectified and sweetned, you may ferment and imbibe the subtile Gold Calx, and with the white Spirit you may dissolve

olve it after it hath been purified.

VII.

Take quick *Mercurie*, purifie and dissolve it so long in alcoholised spirit of Wine, till its impurity be separated from it, and become into its extream transparent easie fluid essence; like unto the white gluten of the Eagle, and capable to receive the blood of the Red Lyon.

VIII.

Extract the salt of the crude and white calcined Tartar, Purifie and Clarifie it.

it as often, till it be as bright
as the tear of the Eye, and
can be brought no higher ;
therewith you may sharpen
its own spirit of Wine,
which dissolveth *Sol* and
Lune.

IX.

Take of the ranck poiso-
nous matter or stone, called
Kerg swaden, *exuvia*, or
husks of the Metals, drive
its spirit very circumspectly,
receive it so, that it may
turn unto water, it redu-
ceth all metalls to a potable-
ness.

X.

Take of the ayre or heavenly dew, being well purified, ten parts, and of subtile Gold Calx one part, set it in digestion, dissolve and coagulate it.

XI.

Take the Urine of a wholesome Man, that drank meerly Wine, make of it, according to Art, the Salt of Microcosme, purifie it very well, which doth so much accuate the Spirit of Wine, that it dissolve *h Sol* in a moment.

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Take of the best Oar of Gold, pulverise it very well, seal it with *Hermes* his Seal, set it so long into the vaporous fire, till you see it spring up and grow a white and red Rose.

XIII.

This last Experiment he calleth the *Light*. Take in the Name of the Lord, of *Hungarish* Gold, which hath been cast thrice thorow *Antimony*, and be laminated most thinly, as much of it as you will, and make with quick *Mercury* an a Malgame, then
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calcine it most subtilly, with flowers of Sulpher, and spirit of Wine burnt, as often, till there remaineth a fair subtile Gold Calx, of a purple colour. Take one part of it, and two parts of the above mentioned red matter, grind it very well together for an hour on a warmed Marble, then cement and calcine well by degrees for three hours in a circle fire. This work must be Iterated three times, then pour on it of the best rectified spirit, that it stand over it three fingers deep; set it in a gentle and warm digestion, for six dayes to be extracted, then the Spirit of Wine will be ting'd as deep as blood;

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cant of that tincture, and
pour on another, as long as
it will tinge it; put all these
ting'd Spirits of Wine into
a Violl, so that the fourth
part only be fill'd, and seal
it hermetically, set it on the
vaporous fire of the first de-
gree, let it be of that heat as
hot as the Sun shineth in
July; let it stand thus for
forty dayes, then you shall
obtain your wish.

The Author recommend-
eth this last Experiment very
highly, affirming upon his
experimental practice, that
this *aurum Potabile* is the
highest Medicine next unto
the universal, and being ta-
ken in appropriated vehicles,
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Cureth all Diseases, without causing any pains at all.

Item, With this *Aurum Potabile* is Antimony prepared, so that it purgeth only downwards, and carrieth forth all ill humours without molestation, and is called the *purging Gold*; hence are his *Pills of Gold*.

It is prepared also by the help of *Antimony* into a diaphoretick gold, to expell by sweating all malignant humours; and *Mercurius vita* is made also with this potable gold (if it be kept in a long digestion), their dose is according to the Quality of the person.

Some

Some Principall
Preparations

OF

ANGELO SALA.

TAke of Sugar one
ounce, of Rosewater
one spoonful, boyl these in
a Skillet, till it afford a small
thred at the pouring forth;
take it off the fire, being cold
pour to it one scruple of
Annis oyl, pour it on a
a Trencher; this serveth
against phlegme.

A Purge of his.

Take of the best Rhubarb,
 Mechoacan ana one dram,
 of *Andromachus* his Treacle
 one scruple; infuse these
 over-night in Wine, cant
 it off, and let the party
 drink it, and fast three hours
 upon it; it purgeth down-
 ward gently.

Hidromel, or Metheglin.

Take of the odoriferous
 crude Honey one part, of
 Fountain water six parts,
 boyl these, do not scum it,
 stirring it continually with a
 wooden Spatule, let it not
 settle to the bottom, boyl it
 away

to the third part, then take
it away from the fire, let it
grow cold, strain it through
a cloth, barrell it, hang into
two drams of Ginger, and
one grain of Musk, then stop
it very well, set it in the Sun
or warm place for 6. weeks,
thus the pure separateth
from the impure; draw it
off into a clean vessel, stop
it well, it will keep long,
the staler it is, the better it
is.

The use of it ; This Li-
quor tasteth & smelleth like
Malmesby, & is good for such
as have a short breath, and
are troubled with a Puffick;
it is of an abstergent and le-
nifying quality, it purgeth
the Breast and Reins, cutteth
phlegme

phlegme very much, preserveth the vigour of the radical moisture.

A Water for the Tooth-ache.

Take of the Greek Pyretum, of the root of Masterwort, and Angelico, *ana* one ounce; of Dragons blood, of calcined Lead, of each two ounces; of simply distill'd Vinegar two pound; infuse and extract its substance, in a warm place for a sennight; then adde to it one ounce of *Niter*, dip into it Cotton Wooll; apply and hold it to the place affected, it allayeth the Flux, and healeth all Infirmities, and

and stayeth the Rheum; it mundifieth the gums, it carni-
fifieth, sicatrizeth, and con-
solidateth, and instantly al-
layeth the pains of the teeth.

Balsom of Tobacco.

Take spirit of Turpentine,
spirit of Juniper, of each
one pound; of *Indie* Tobac-
co leaves six ounces; infuse
and circulate it for a sen-
night, and press it out in the
press, it cureth all wounds
in 24. hours.

A Stomachical Aqua-vite.

Take of cut *Galanga* four
ounces, of *Ambergreece* four
grains, of rectified *Aqua-*
F *vite*

vita 20 ounces, infuse these
 for a fennight, caut it off,
 dissolve as much Sugar in
 it, as you may; it is good
 for a weak Stomach, for the
 Cholick and griping in the
 Guts.

*Aqua-Theriacalis, Against
 the Plague.*

Take of *Andromachus* his
 Treacle two ounces, of the
 root of Angelica, and Ma-
 sterwort, of each one ounce,
 of calcined red Corals
 (which are calcined be-
 tween two Crutibles, for six
 or eight hours in a strong
 fire) four ounces; of Flow-
 ers of Sulphur one ounce, of
 rectified *Aqua-vita* three
 pound:

pound : infuse these for four days, and extract, then add to it of rectified spirit of Vitriol one drachm ; one drachm of this used, serveth against all cold Defluxions, Megrums, Giddiness.

*Pills for the Head, comfort-
ing and strengthening the
Brains, which defend the
same against Corruptions.*

Take wild Thyme four ounces ; of white Agarick, of the best Rhubarb, of each 3. ounces ; of Spick, Ginger, Galanga, of each one dram ; of rectified *Aqua-vita* 15 ounces : infuse these for a fennight, caut it off, and press it out as much as you

can; then take of wash'd
Alloes Succorina six ounces:
 boyl it in a glazed Pot or
 Pan, to the thickness of Pitch,
 mingle one scruple of Saf-
 fron, and 5. grains of Musk,
 keep it in a Leaden Box. It
 is to be used after Supper
 from one scruple to one
 dram; take it in a new laid
 Egg, or in Wine made up
 into Pills, purgeth gently,
 expels Wind.

For the Gowt.

Roast a sweet Apple in
 hot embers, and the flowers
 of *Cassia*, of a like quantity,
 imbibe it with a Womans
 milk, make a cataplasme; it
 is a certain lenitive against

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the tormenting pains of the
Gout.

*A laxative Conserve of
Roses.*

Take of old Conserve of
Roses two ounces, of *Dia-*
gridium one drachm and a
half; of Cinamom, of Cloves,
of each one scruple; of spi-
rit of Wine, one dram; of
spirit of *Vitriol*, ten drops;
of the best Musk 3. grains:
make an Electuary accord-
ing to Art, without fire, in a
glass Morter; and when it
worketh too dry, or grow-
eth too dry, then put to it
some Julip of Roses, and
keep it in a Venice glass: its
Vertue is to purge without

any detriment, it consumeth
all superfluous humiditie of
the body; its dose is even
to half an ounce, to be ta-
ken fasting.

*A Compound extract of
Diagridium.*

Take of the best *Diagri-
dium* two ounces, of the
root of *Mechoacan* four oun-
ces, of *Galanga*, of *Cinamom*,
of each one drachm, of white
Ginger half an ounce, of
oriental Saffron half a dram,
of Musk five grains: Beat
these and infuse them in
Aqua-vitæ; extract and ex-
press according to Art: then
reduce it to a viscous mat-
ter, then adde of *Salgema*
half

half a scruple to each dram,
and keep it in a Glass. Its
dose is from five to eight
grains, in wine or broth ; it
purgeth the Body without
danger.

A Confection of Diagridium.

Take of the Compound
extract of *Diagridium* six
drams, of the powder of
Diacorels two drachms, of
white Sugar three ounces,
of Baulm water a sufficient
quantity ; Make Lozenges,
and keep them in a Glass
well stoppt. It purgeth the
Body without hurt, and is
very good against abound-
ing humors ; it purgeth the
Brains and Back, and pur-
geth

geth the whites, and running
of the Reins, let the cause
be what it will ; it is good
against the Dropsie, and
such like symptoms. Its dose
is from 2. scruples to 3, and
is to be taken fasting.

A Laxative Unguent.

Take *Alloes Heppatick,* of
Mirrh, of each six ounces,
of Coloquint, of Agarick,
of Scamonic, of each one
ounce and a half; of Sallet
oyl 24 ounces; of Goats
suet six ounces; of old wine
four pound; All these bea-
ten grossly: Then boyl them
gently in Wine in a glazed
Pot, keep close the Oyl and
Suet, till the Wine be con-
sumed,

fumed, then strain and keep it.

But if you will prepare it better, first boyl them, then set it in purification, in warm horse dung, for a whole month, then separate it, as above: If the Belly be appointed warm with it, and then a warm cloth upon it, it purgeth the body from abounding humours; it kills the Worms, and operateth in other wayes.

Our Dragons Blood.

Take of rectified *Mercury*
12 ounces, of lamins of steel
3. ounces; put these into a
Urinal well luted, and pre-
cipitate according to Art,

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iterating it a second time; then take it out of the Vessel, put it into an Earthen Pan or Glass, kindle five or six times *Aqua-vita* on it; then being dryed, keep it for use: This is our Dragons Blood, which purgeth upward without any danger. Its dose is seven grains even unto ten, in Conserve of Roses, or Conserve of Baulm. It must be taken mornings fasting; and drink some wine after it.

*A sweet Confection of
Diadragon.*

Take of our Dragons
Blood six drachms, of the
salt of Red Corals, and
Pearls,

Pearls, of each two scruples;
 of Saffron, Galanga, Cinnamon, of each one scruple;
 of the best Musk and Ambergreece, of each 6. grains,
 of white Sugar six ounces,
 of a sufficient quantity of
 Rosewater.

Let the Sugar be boyled
 to the thickness of *Manus Christi*, in an Iron Pan, then
 adde the other Ingredients,
 and make rolls, which are
 kept close in a glass; This
 Confection may be used in
 all Diseases where there is
 need of purging; it attract-
 eth from the Remoter parts,
 cuts Phlegme and Humours,
 where it is needful. Its
 dose is from one drachm to
 two, fasting: There is no
 better.

better Purge for Quartan
and Tertian Agues; and is
Medicinal against the Pox.

*The bitter Confection of
Diadaragon.*

Take of our Dragons
Blood six drachms; of the
Salt of red Corals, of Mo-
ther of Pearls, of each two
scruples; of Cloves half a
drachm, of Saffron half a
scruple; of *Aloes Succarina*
two scruples; of Sugar six
ounces; a sufficient quantity
of Marjoram water; make
a Confection, as above: It
may be used against such
Diseases, where Amber and
Musk cannot be used, and
where no sweet things are
admitted.

Head

Head Pills.

Take of fresh Tyme (*Epithimus*) four ounces; of the best Rhubarb, of Mechoacan, of white *Agarick*, of each two ounces; of *Galanga*, of Cloves, of each 2. drams; of Marjoram one handful; of Musk, of Ambergreece, of each 5. grains: Beat these, except the Musk and Ambergreece, then according to Art make an Extract, with *Aqua-vita*, to a solid form; then adde *Ambergreece* and *Musk*, then add the powder of *Mastix*, and the powder of Amber, of each one dram and a half; make a masse, keep it in a glass or leaden Box. Its dose is one scruple, to be used after Supper,

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or mornings, fasting; they
 purge without any danger,
 and may be used severall
 times, against several Infir-
 mities of the Head.

Conserve of dry Roses.

Take the subtile powder
 of red Roses one ounce, of
 Rosewater 3. ounces, of the
 spirit of white *Vitriol* one
 drachm, of the best Musk
 and Ambergreece, of each
 one grain, of white Sugar
 12 ounces; infuse the Ro-
 ses in Rosewater and the
 spirit of *Vitriol*, keep them
 in maceration for 4. hours,
 in a glass, then boyl the Su-
 gar with the Rosewater, to
 the consistence of *Marmus*
Christi.

Christi, then incorporate with them the Musk and Amber-greece in a glass Morter: Thus is your Conserve prepared, which is sufficiently red and odoriferous: This sort of Conserve is more effectual than those which are prepared in the vulgar way, especially where strengthening is needfull, by reason of the spirit of *Vitriol*; and the older this Conserve is, the better it is.

Electuary of Diacorals.

Take of our Conserve of Roses 12 ounces, of the salt of red Corals 2. rams, of pulverised Orras, and of pulverised red Santals, of each

each one dram; of Rose
 Julep two ounces; make an
 Electuary without fire in a
 glass Morter, keep it well
 closed; it is good against the
 Chollick, and illiac passion,
 provoketh Urine, and corro-
 borates the whole body; it
 mundifieth the reins and
 panicles of the brains, and
 subtillareth the blood by its
 mundifying quality; and it
 is a very good astringent af-
 ter purging, and consequent-
 ly it is admirable good for
 the superfluous courses of
 women, as well of the white
 as of the red; yet so, that
 the party be first purged.
 Its dose is from one dram
 to two at once, to be used
 fasting.

An Electuary for the Stomach.

Take of our Conserve
of Roses, of Conserve of
Baulm, of each 3. ounces;
of the pulp of Quinces two
pound; of skim'd honey four
ounces; of Spirit of Vitriol 20
drops; of Galanga, of Cina-
mom, of each half an ounce;
It is best to incorporate it in
a Glass; It serveth to com-
fort the stomach, being
weakned by superfluous hu-
mours; it strengtheneth and
exhilerateth the heart, if
continually used. Its dose is
half an ounce, at a time, to
be taken mornings fasting.

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Take of the whitest pulverised Sugar six ounces, of most subrilly pulverised Orras, and powder of Mastix, of each one dram; of Syrup of Cinamom three ounces; Let all these be incorporated in a glass Mortar; then add of the Spirit of Turpentine one drachm, of oyl of Nutmegs 5. drops; keep it in a glass. This is an excellent Electuary to cut tough and viscous phlegme in the stomach and breast; therefore it is good for those that are Rhumatick, and short breathed, it purgeth the Reins, and provoketh urine; being

being obstructed by gross
viscous humors; it may
serve also against many in-
firmities and corruptions
conceived in the womb: It
is of a digestive evacuating
and mundifying quality, and
consolidateth also; its dose
is from one dram to two, at
evening to be taken going
to bed.

*A Confection against the Hart-
ake.*

Take of the siferial Pow-
der, one ounce; of white Su-
gar six ounces, a sufficient
quantity of *Marjoram* water.
Make *Lozenges* of it, they are
admirable good for the a-
king of the heart: its dose is,
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as occasion serveth, from two scruples, to foure scruples, more or lesse, as the Physitian shall direct, and it may be ministred at all times; but the party should use it continually, then let it be taken mornings fasting.

An Antidote for the Womb.

Take of *Pulegium Sylvestre*, four ounces; of *Mugwort* two ounces; of *Galanga*, *Ginger*, of each an ounce. Make an extract with these, with *Aquavite*, according to Art, to the consistence of Hony, and keep it in a Glass, adding to each dram, half a scruple of vegetable Salt. Its
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dose is six grains, in water of *Mugwort*. It provoketh the Courses of Women strongly, therefore make use of it circumspectly.

An Antidote against the suffocation of the womb.

Take of the Extract of *Casterium* 2. ounces, of the Extract of the Root of *Peony* 1 ounce; of the Magistery of the Mother of Pearls, and Corals, of each one dram; of subtilly pulverised *Craine*, *Humany* two drams; of *Saffron orientall*, half a dram; of *Rectified Oyl of Amber* two scruples, incorporate these in a Glass Morter, and stop close, keep it. It is of an admirable efficacy, for the suffoca-
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tion of the womb; its use is fasting, and may be continued for eight dayes, or as long as there is occasion for it: Its dose is half a scruple, and are to be made into Pills: it may be ministred also in water of *Marjoram* and *Pyony*.

A Powder of Diacorels.

Take of Red Roses two ounces and a half; of the Salt of *Coralls*, half an ounce; of the Spirit of *Vitriol*, two drams; of *Sugar-Candy*, one dram; of *Ambergrease* and *Musk*, of each four grains.

Make a Powder according to Art, and keep it well stopt in a Glasse. This Powder

der is good against Convul-
sions, and pains of the heart;
it strengtheneth the brains,
and subtileth the blood,
and maketh the heart glad,
and causeth a good digesti-
on in the stomach. Its dose
is half a dram, in Wine, or
other proper Vehicle.

A Confection of Diacoralls.

Take of the Powder of
Diacoralls two drams; of the
Spirit of white *Vitriol*, two
scruples; of white Sugar two
ounces, and a sufficient
quantity of *Rose-water*. Let
the Sugar be boyled to the
consistence of *Marm Christi*,
put in a Glasse in warm
Sand, then add the Powder
to

to it, afterward the spirit of *Vitriol*, then cast it forth into *Tablets*, and keep them in a *Box of Wood*, this confection is a true *Conservative* of mans body: It is of an admirable vertue. Its dose is half a dram, which is to be taken fasting.

A pretious Antidote.

Take of our pretious *Magisterium* of *Extractum le Zourdicum*, of each two drams: of our pretious golden *Bezourd*, of our golden *Cordiel Electrum*, of the *Extract* of *Opium Thebaicum*, prepared with the juyce of *Lemons*, of each one dram; of *Ambergrease* two scruples, and

and fifteen grains of pure Musk, gr. b. of the whitest Sugar an ounce: the dry Ingredients must be well grounded on a Marble; for two or three hours, to an impalpable Powder.

A Balsum of Treacle:

Take of the Treacle of *Andromachus* four ounces, of the Root of *Masterwort*, *Angelico*, *Pimpinella*, *Tormentilla*, of each an ounce, of *Galinga*, of *Ginger*, of each six drams, of the Salt of *Rede Coralls*, and orientall Pearls, of the *Lemnian Earth*, of each half an ounce; of *Oriental Saffron*, one dram; of *Camphire* one scruple; of the

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best Musk, and of *Ambergrease*, of each half a scrup'e; of the spirit of *Turpentine*, and of the spirit of *Juniperberries*, of each ten ounces, of the best *Aqua-vita* two pound, infuse all according to Art, put it in a Glasse, lute it, let it circulate in a Balny, for a month, then separate the two Liquors, one from another. This Balsom looks very red, and then this *Aqua vita*, is deservedly called the Mother of the Balsom, both are very good against all Infirmities, and are admirable good against the Plague; the Balsom is for inward use, half a scruple, and of the water one dram. Both cause sweat & Urine.

A Magisterie of Coralls and Pearls.

We have an Universall way to make the *Magisterium*, not onely of Pearls and Coralls, but of all other Gems. And this operation is performed only by the help of our Phylosophick *Aqua-vitæ*: we will tell you the manner how you ought to proceed about the *Magisterie of Coralls*, which shall be the Patern to proceed also with the rest.

Take of the Powder of red *Coralls*, six ounces, of our *Aqua-vitæ* twelve ounces. Let the *Coralls* be infused in the *Aqua-vitæ*, and let them

be dissolved therein into a clear water. Then separate the pure from the impure, by inclination, taking heed that you do not stir the *feces*; then take this dissolution, set it in ashes in an Urinall well luted, distill the Spirits and flegme from it, so that a dry matter be left in the bottom of the Vessel; take out that, and set it into a moyst place, which in a short time, will wholly be dissolved, leaving some earthlinefs of no value; take this Liquor, set it in Sand, so that the humidity being dissolved into fumes, may have a dry matter behind. Take it out of the Vessel, add a triple quantity of Spirit of Wine to it,

it, or *Aqua-vitæ*, which is thrice rectified; Set it on circulating in a gentle heat, for a moneth, either into a balny, or at the Sun, and it will yield some Sediment; separate the clear by inclination, and in a balny, separate the Spirit and Phlegme, and in the bottom of the Vessel remaineth the Magisterie, in the form of a mucilaginous Oyl, and this is the true *Prima Materia*; and thus you have the Magisterie of Coralls, which looketh very white, but the Magisterie of Pearls, cometh near to the colour of Gold. Thus you may proceed with all precious Stones which our *Menstruum* dissolveth into a

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clear water. The Vertues of these *Magisteriums*, cannot so easily be described. Their Dose is from three grains to five, and the use of it may be continued as long as there is need of, and that without danger. It is ministered in Wine, Broth, or distilled water. Electuary, or Confections, even as the Physitian shall see it convenient.

*The great Magistery of
Vitriol.*

This Magistery is made by means of the four Principall Operations, which are distillation, dissolution, Sublimation, and Circulation.

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The first operation produceth
this Liquor.

Take of *Roman Vitriol*, or
any other, which is good, as
much as you please, distill
it in a retort, extracting
onely the spirit and water,
and increase your fire as
much as you can, so that at
last, nothing appear more
in the neck of the Retort,
then let the Receiver grow
cold, take out the Liquor
and keep it: take out the
feces also, or the Colchotar,
for the following separa-
tion.

*The second operation produceth
the Salt.*

Take the foresaid Colchotar, pulverise it very subtilly, dissolve it in common water, and extract according to Art all its Salt, so that all the sharpness be gotten out of the Colchotar. Calcine this Salt: dissolve, and coagulate it five times, so that it be very well rectified, still adding the Colchotar left, to the other, but keep the Salt.

*The third operation produceth
Sulpher.*

Take the foresaid Colchotar,

chotar, burn it in a great
 Crucible, then pulverise it
 very subtilly, and add a third
 part of that quantity of Salt
Armonick; incorporate these
 two very well, then sublime
 it very well luted in an U-
 rinall, observing the de-
 grees of fire, and there will
 appear in the Alembick, a
 yellowish matter; continue
 the fire, when no more fumes
 come forth out of the Uri-
 nall, then let it cool, take out
 the sublimed matter, put it
 into common water warm-
 ed, that the Salt *Armonick*
 be extracted; separate the
 clear water from the *Sedi-*
ment; iterate this as often,
 till all the Salt *Armonick* be
 extracted, and in the bottom
 will

will remain the Sulphur of
Vitriol; of a green colour,
 which being dryed, keep it.

*The fourth Operation affordeth
 the Magisterium.*

Take all the former Li-
 quor, the Salt and Sulphur,
 joyne these three in a Circu-
 latory very well luted, cir-
 culate it in a Balny for a
 Sennite, then separate the
 cleare, and distill it in an *A-*
lembick, in a Balny, so that
 all the water come over in
 the bottom, there will re-
 main a green Liquor, which
 containeth Salt, Sulpher and
Mercury of *Vitrioll*, which
 keep, for it is the true Ma-
 gisterie of *Vitriol*.

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The Compound water of
Vitriol.

Take the separated water
in the Balny, from the said
Magisterie, and to each
pound of it, add the follow-
ing Ingredients, viz. take
of rectified *Aqua-vitæ*, two
ounces, of the Root of *Peonie*
half an ounce, of red Roses
of *Balm*, *Marjoram*, of each
one Pugill, put all into a
Balny, into a Circulatory,
for 24. houres, then strain
the Liquor, which will be
very red, then add to each
pound of these, the follow-
ing things of *Cranium huma-*
num one ounce, of *Spodium*
half an ounce, of *Camphore*
half

half a dram; of *Saffron* half a scruple; of *Ambergrease* two grains; put all these into a *Glasse*, and circulate it, for six weeks continually, then separate by inclination the subtile from the thick, which keep in a *Glasse* well luted. And this is the most precious *Liquor*, which worketh marvellously, in all the *Spices* of *Convulsions*, and is a ministred in the following way.

The use of the Magistery of Vitriol, and its Compound Water.

If you intend to administer such noble Medicaments, which are of such an ad-

admirable efficacy in the Falling-sickness, then this Order ought to be observed; Before you begin, you must expect the new Moon, because this Disease is then in its vigour, and then you must proceed in the following manner: First, the sick party must be kept from all such meats and Sents, which occasion and cause such a Disease; However, Wine must not altogether be prohibited. Secondly, you must make an Aromatick, and vitriolized water to be his Diet-drink, when ever he is thirsty between meales; in the mornings fasting, you are to give three or five drops, according to the constitution.

stitution of the party; if our green Magisterie, with half a dram of the compound water in *Marjoram* Wine, then the strife will begin against the Disease, and will cause a Vomit to the party of clear water, refresh him after four houres are past. Thirdly, the fit must be observed, and alwayes when the fit is past, you must minister unto him one scruple of the Compound vitriolised water, with *Marjoram* Wine, and if the fit cometh often, then you ought to minister but half a dose, continuing it till the Disease be diminished, which will be about the new Moon. At last, when you see it needfull,

full, minister the Magisterie
once more: in brief, he that
will undertake, to cure such
a Disease, must be a Physi-
tian, and not a Woman.

*The Compound Liquor of the
vitriolised Tartar.*

This Lemmon Liquor, by
reason of its temperature,
may very well be used to se-
verall infirmities, and to all
such persons, where there is
need of opening, subtilia-
ting, mundifying, and con-
solidating, and it worketh
by sweat and Urine.

Take of white crude
Tartar, of Viscous Vitriol, of
each two drams; beat these
two together, distill them

in a Retort, as much as possible you can, then let the stilling-Vessels grow cold, and take the Liquor out of the Receiver, which is muddy and stinking, poure it on again to the *Caput mort*, in a new Retort well luted, apply a Receiver, and distill again; iterate this work a third time, so that the Liquor be as clear as water. weigh the Liquor, add half its quantity of rectified *Aqua-vita* to it, then take of albified Vitriol, and calcined *Tartar*, of each 20. ounces, put all these into a Retort, adding to it all the Liquor, distill as long as any water and Spirits run over, then let the Vessels grow cold,

cold, and keep that Liquor in a well stoppt glass, to which add the following matters :

Therefore take the said Liquor, and add to each pound three drachms of *Sassafras*; of white Ginger two drachms; of Galanga, of Treacle, of Andromachus, one dram and half; of *Oriental Saffron*, six grains, of *Ambergreece* and *Musk*; of each 3. grains. Put all these into a glass, circulate for six weeks in a warm place, or in the Sun, then separate the subtile from the thick, by inclination or decanting, and keep it as a Jewel.

The Vegetable Salt.

Take the *Caput mort* of the said *Tartar* and *Vitriol*, extract its Salt with distill'd common water, coagulate away one moiety, and let it grow cold, to the bottomward you see the transparent salt like *Cristal*, then coagulate the water more, and let it grow cold, continue it so long till all the salt be gotten out; which keep for a Medicinal use.

*The use of the Compound
Liquor of Tartar.*

This Liquor may be used safely against all manner of obstructi-

obstructions of the body, and it is a *Specificum* against the Pox. But its particular operations are against the *Sciatica*, *Gout* in the hands, *Chollick*, *Illiac Passion*, and against the torments and gripings in the Belly.

The manner of the using of it is this ; You must take mornings an hour before day in the best Wine, then the party must abide in the bed for half an hour, then let him take warm broth, and the party will begin to sweat all the body over, which cometh very easily ; After two or three hours sweating, let him shift himself, and rise out of the bed, and eat some restorative : And this
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may be used twenty or thirty times more or less, as you shall see occasion, using every fifth day a moderate purgative; in this manner many Chronical Infirmities are cured. Its dose is from two drams to 3. drams in Wine, and the oftner the party maketh use of, the better it will be for him, for it removeth all peccant matter, and reneweth the blood of the whole body.

[The use of the Vegitable Salt.

This Salt may be ministered with such things which work and operate against the gravel in the Reins, and the Stone in the bladder, because

cause it is very proper for such diseases. Its dose is half a dram at once.

A Specificum against the Cholick.

Take of the spirit of Juniper, and spirit of Turpentine, pour it on *St. Johns-wort*, press it out, add more of the fresh Flowers to it, till it be very red; one scruple of it taken in broth, is an approved Medicament against the Cholick; If *St. Johns-wort* be digested in spirit of Wine for a moneth, then its precious oyl will swim at the top.

The green oyl of Vitriol.

Take of *Vitriol* 2. pound,
put it in an *Urinal* in a
balny for a month, let it be
dissolved into a transparant
green *Liquor*, its combusti-
ble *Sulphur* remaineth in the
bottom, decant the *Liquor*
from the phlegme, rectifie it
in a balny, then you have the
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