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OF THE SKIN, LONDON**

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TO THE MEMORY

OF

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PHARMACOPOEIA.'

BORN 1798—DIED 1884.

## PREFACE.

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IN editing this collection of remedies, endeavour has been made to attain simplicity in the formulæ and conciseness in the directions.

It has been thought unnecessary to repeat here any of the prescriptions for skin-treatment which are already provided in the 'British Pharmacopœia.'

The names of the ingredients of the formulæ refer to drugs or preparations of the 'British Pharmacopœia' of 1867, in all cases where those names are there to be found.

Descriptions of the ingredients not mentioned in the 'British Pharmacopœia' are given in the form of foot-notes.

The weights and measures adopted are those of the 'British Pharmacopœia.'

With the object of presenting a clear general view, and of aiding the memory, the total quantity of each prescription has been reduced in every possible instance to an ounce.

The directions as to the uses of the formulæ are, as will be plain, mere illustrations selected from the commoner diseases of the skin.

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LONDON, December, 1884.





# PHARMACOPŒIA.

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## AQUÆ MEDICATÆ OMNES.

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Take of

Essential Oil, 6 minims.

Distilled Water, 1 fluid ounce.

Shake the bottle well five separate times at intervals of a quarter of an hour, and, after a day, filter.

This plan yields as good a result as the official method by distillation, and is less expensive for hospital purposes.

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## BALNEA—BATHS.

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To obtain advantage in skin diseases, the use of medicated water baths must always be prolonged, namely, for never less than an hour. In order to render this prolonged employment of water baths practicable, the temperature of the bath must not vary at the most more than within a couple of degrees above or below 92° Fahrenheit.

**Balneum Acidum.**

Take of  
Diluted Nitrohydrochloric Acid,  
10 fluid ounces.  
Water, 30 gallons.

Mix.

*Used as a sedative in cases of Prurigo and of Chronic Urticaria.*

**Balneum Algense.**

Take of  
Carrageen Moss,\* 1 pound.  
Water, 30 gallons.

Wash the Moss in cold water to remove impurities; boil it for a quarter of an hour in three gallons of water, strain while hot, wash the marc with boiling water to make up three gallons, and mix the product with the water of the bath.

*Used as a demulcent in some acute eruptions.*

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\* Or *Irish Moss*, *Chondrus crispus*, the entire alga, dried.

**Balneum Alkalinum.**

Take of

Carbonate of Soda, in crystals, 4 ounces.

Water, 30 gallons.

Dissolve.

*Used* as a solvent to remove scabs and scaly incrustations, and as a sedative in cases of Eczema, Psoriasis, and Chronic Lichen.

**Balneum Creasoti.**

Take of

Creasote, 2 fluid ounces.

Water, 30 gallons.

Dissolve.

*Used* as a mild stimulant in cases of Squamous Eczema and Pityriasis.

**Balneum Dinturnum.**

Take of

Water, 30 gallons.

*Used* (at the temperature of 92° Fahrenheit) for three hours every morning, and three hours every afternoon, in cases of Psoriasis and of Pemphigus.