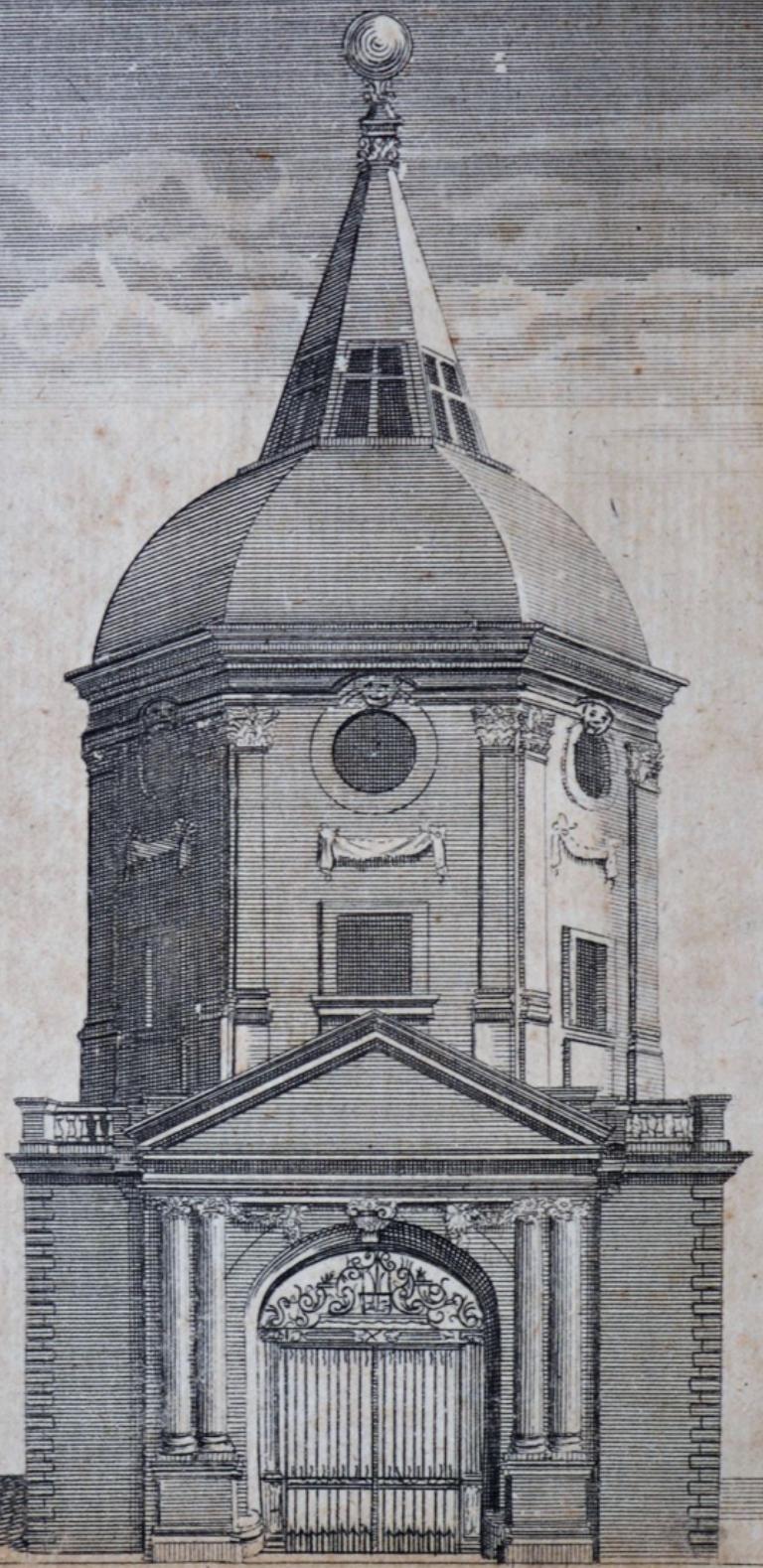




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GEORGE, by the Grace of God, King of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting. Whereas our Trusty and Well-beloved the President and College or Commonalty of the Faculty of Physick in our City of London, have by their Petition humbly represented unto Us, that they having with great Pains and Care lately revised and corrected a Book by them formerly published, entitled, *PHARMACOPOEIA LONDINENSIS*, and made many Alterations therein, and Additions thereto, intend in a short time to print and publish the same so corrected, and with such Alterations and Additions, for the Use and Benefit of the Publick; and having humbly besought Us to grant unto them Our Royal Privilege and Licence for the sole printing and publishing the said Book for the Term of Fourteen Years: We being willing to give all due Encouragement to Works of this Nature, which tend to

publick Use and Benefit, are graciously pleased to condescend to their Request. And We do therefore by these Presents, so far as may be agreeable to the Statute in that behalf made and provided, grant unto them the President and College or Commonalty of the Faculty of Physick in our said City of *London*, their Successors and Assigns, Our Licence for the sole printing and publishing the said Book for the Term of Fourteen Years, to be computed from the Date or respective Days of the Publication of the said Book, or of each Volume thereof, strictly forbidding all our Subjects within our Kingdoms and Dominions to reprint or abridge the same, either in the like or any other Volume or Volumes whatsoever, or to import, buy, vend, utter, or distribute any Copies thereof reprinted beyond the Seas, during the aforesaid Term of Fourteen Years, without the Consent or Approbation of the said President and College or Commonalty of the Faculty of Physick in our said City of *London*, their Successors or Assigns, under their common Seal first had and obtained, as they will answer the contrary at their Perils, whereof the Commissioners and other Officers of our Customs, the Master, Wardens, and Company of *Stationers* are to take notice, that due Obedience be render'd to Our Pleasure herein declared. Given at Our Court at *St. James's*, the Twenty-third Day of *January*, 17²₁. in the Seventh Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

STANHOPE.

SACRÆ MAJESTATI

SERENISSIMI CELSIS SIMIQUE

PRINCIPIS

G E O R G I I,

DEI GRATIA,

MAGNÆ BRITANNIÆ,

FRANCIAE & HIBERNIAE

R E G I S,

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S. R. I. ELECTORIS:

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LONDINENSIMUM

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PHARMACOPOEIAM

Humillime Offert Consecratque.





LECTORI.

Dignitate suæ simul & publicæ utilitati feliciter consuluisse videntur Majores nostri, cum PHARMACOPOEIÆ edendæ curam, opus non minus laboriosum quam necessarium, in se suscepint. Etenim cum, singulari Principum nostrorum gratiâ, id assécuti sint, ut rei medicæ judices atque moderatores non in hac tantian Urbe, sed per universam Angliam constituerentur, se & sibi defuturos esse & ægrotis rectè judicabant, nisi quicquid ad Pharmaca conficienda pertineret, certis & definitis legibus constitisset: unaque fuisset præscripti norma, quam ab omnibus & que teneri oporteret. Hoc illi munus, quod ab iis acriter susceptum est, pari industria absolverunt; & seculo proxime elapso saepius prælum subiit, amplior atque emaculatior Sociorum laboribus facta, Collegii nostri PHARMACOPOEIA.

Quantacunque verò fuerit illorum diligentia, compertum est nuperrime, cum inviserentur Officinae, multa prorsus desiderari medicamenta, multa etiam varie pro artificis arbitrio componi:

componi: neque id tam Pharmacopœi vitio, quum quod permulta in desuetudinem abierint, nonnulla etiam haud satis accurate & definite fuerint descripta. Quare placuit Præsidi & Collegio rem totam denuo ad incudem revocare; qui, cum haud levem ei operam junctis viribus insumpserint, se id tandem effecisse confidunt, ut jam limatior paulò & medentium usibus accommodatior prodiret, utque eadem, quæ unanimi Collegarum consensu comprobata est, cæteris non displiceret PHARMACOPœIA LONDINENSIS. Quid vero in hac Editione præstatum sit, paucis, benigne Lector, accipe.

Simplicium Catalogum vides prorsus de novo adornatum: Herbæ cuiusque nomen, idque haud raro multiplex, appositum: tam illud, quod in Officinis familiare est, quam quod accuratioribus in re Herbaria scriptoribus retinetur. Tu, qui nosti, quam facile ejusdem generis atque nominis plantæ confundi soleant, probè intelligis errorem vix alias vitari posse, nisi hæc vocabulorum adhibeatur distinctio.

Aquarum Simplicium multitudinem reseuimus, paucioribus contenti; iis scilicet, quæ & per aliquod tempus commodè servari possunt, quæque Herbæ istius, unde elicuntur, aut saporem, aut odorem, aut aliquam saltem virtutem referunt.

In Aquis Compositis distillandis major adhibenda fuit cura. Etenim quot Officinæ, tot Aquæ ejusdem varietates: Unusquisque scilicet suam sequitur distillandi viam. Ita ut,

si Aquarum vires respexeris, neque certam aliquam eas conficiendi regulam Pharmacopœus, neque præcipiendi habuerit Medicus. Quare res ad trutinam atque mensuram exigenda fiuit: Ita ut, in quem denique gradum evehi debeant liquores isti Spiritu abundantes, certò constaret. Id etiam in Aquis hisce eliciendis secuti sumus, ut ipsa distillandi ratio minus molesta fieret ac operosa. Idem & in Syrupis concinnandis fecimus: quorum etiam farraginem, utpote magnâ ex parte inutilē & quâ ac tœdii plenam, de industria contraximus.

Multa itidem in iis, quæ exterius adhibentur, remedii novare necesse habuimus, Que verò Unguentis atque Emplastris adjecimus, scias ea fieri non sine illorum, qui hodie apud nos magnâ cum laude rem Chirurgicam & exercercent & excolunt, judicio.

Quædam rejecimus, quia parùm utilia; quædam immutavimus, quia absurdâ sibique repugnantia viderentur. Superstitionem olen-tia expanximus: ad rationis atque experien-tiæ normam omnia, quantum fieri potuit, redigere conati. Aliquid utique Antiquitati dedimus; cui tamen haud ita indulsum est, ut, quicquid vetustatem præ se tulerit, locum hic sine delectu obtinuerit. Quinimo multa recentius excogitata immiscuimus: quibus Medicorum, & præsenti & superiore seculo celebri-um, experientia gratiam atque pondus addit. Eo siquidem consilio processimus, ut in mole haud immodicâ quim maxima relinque-retur