

EXTRACT FROM MODESTIN FACHSEN'S

ART OF ESSAYING

p. 118. To prepare a fluid ♀ from ♂ .

m of ♂ , either simple or m ♂♂ , z viii, sublimed ⊖ of □ , ⊗ ,
& ⊖ of ♀ ; ãã z j . Reduce each ingredient to a fine ♂ as well
as the m , & mix the ♂ by grinding.

Put this into a glass with a long neck & pour some very sharp distilled
wine † upon the ♂s. so as to overtop it 2 or 3 inches high. Shut the
glass close, & digest one month in horse dung. Then pour it into a glass
body, shaking it well together first. Apply an XX & receiver, & distill
the humidity from it. Evaporate the remainder until the matter is left
perfectly dry.

Weigh the dry matter & mix it with 3 parts of perfectly dry bole or
clay, & distill this mixture out of an ▽ n. o with a strong △ into a
glass receiver, & you will obtain a wonderfully penetrating ~ which comes
over in fumes.

Pour this ~ upon fresh m of ♂ in fine ♂ , & let it putrefy during
2 months time. Then distill the humidity from it & evaporate the re-
mainder to dryness.

Mix this dry ♂ with 4 times its weight of filings of ♂ & distill the
matter in an ▽ n. o by an open △ & the ~ s. which ascend at the end
of the operation, carry the ♀ of ♂ over in strong fumes into an adapted
large receiver half full of ▽ , & whilst the spirits of the ⊖s. are
dissolved in the ▽ , the ♂ial ♀ runs together in the bottom of the
receiver, which must afterwards be dried & pressed through Chamois Leather.

EXTRACT FROM SIR KENELM DIGBY'S *CHEMICAL SECRETS*

as a reference from p. 213 .

Flamel, Artefius, Pontanus, Zachaire &c.

Their Arcanum. (p. 117).

This Stone is that about which the above named Authors employed themselves: It is composed of the Mineral Gluten, made of ☿ & ♂ Mineral, by the addition of the Solary Ferment thus. Distill the Volatile Crystals or Butter from ☿ = mate & ♂, ana, or distill or dissolve common ☿ in A.F. Precipitate with salt water, & you shall have a very white ♀, which dry & join it with as much of ♀ of ♀, & distill the volatile crystals thereof. These crystals are the Magnet, by means of which the Universal Form, or Spirit of the World is attracted; which specifieth & determineth itself in this matter, by resolution in the △ in γ, ♂, & II. Put this liquor in a cucurbite, & digest it for 30 days with a very gentle heat with a lamp, to the end, that there may be a natural distillation made of the attracted spirit, which will begin to come over invisibly the first or second day, with the idea of that which it draws, to wit, the ♂, & of ♀, or with a universal mineral form, tending to metallic. This Liquor will continue coming over even unto the end of 50 days; let not the heat exceed that of one's hand. This Aetherial water is the ▽ of Paradise, or the mineral ASTRUM of FLAMEL'S two Dragons.

The one is volatile (which is ♀) & the other rampant (which is the ♂) which do not suffer to be touched nor attacked, until their venomous scum (that is to say, the Butyrum) have produced the spirit of the ♀ial wind, & the scum of the Red Sea. Note, that within 15 days the sea or butyrum cometh to be very red, with a gentle heat of a lamp △ in

Ashes, & this is Flamel's Red Sea. This Aetherial ∇ penetrates all metalline bodies (being luminated & made red-hot) & tingeth them into \odot . Two drops of this ∇ being dissolved in \mathfrak{z} iv. of \sqrt{s} , maketh a Virginal Milk, whereof the dose is a spoonful.

It is a very gentle emetic, because of its crudity, or rather \mathfrak{S} ial substance, whereof the virtue operates upwards, because it is moist & airy. It cures the Epilepsie by the character which is imprinted on it, by the word Fiat, & all astral diseases, as far as humane disposition permits. This is the Celestial ∇ which doth not wet one's hands after its preparation; 'tis the \mathfrak{S} of \mathfrak{S} , the ∇ or centre of the heart of \mathfrak{S} , & the true extent of \mathfrak{S} , but it requires more work. Take this ∇ (you must have a pretty good quantity of it, & therefore you must have 10, 15, or 20 lbs. of volatile crystals) & put it in a Cucurbite, & with a very gentle heat of a lamp distill off all the waterish moistness, which by carelessness it might have contracted from the \triangle . There will remain in the bottom a gum, a syrup, a viscous ∇ , a radical mineral moisture, which is the Eagle's gluten above, mentioned, which did fly the space of 50 days continually, by means of this gentle heat, the gluten flies no more, but is the flying crapant & Zacaire's \mathfrak{S} ial ∇ , which is congealed by cold & liquified by heat. The Authors before mentioned have digested this gluten PER SE in a matrass Hermetically sealed without the addition of a Solary ferment, but afterwards they have been forced to ferment the \odot which they made of it. For to shorten the work, take 7 parts, or 9, or 10, or more of this gluten, unto which by heat join one part of \odot in leaf, or \triangle of \odot prepared by Sal Enixum (which is best) & digest in an Athanor, or in Flamel's furnace (which is very easie) until all the matter have passed through all the colours, & come to be of a purple citrine colour;

then have you the Metalline \ominus , the most high $\overline{\mathcal{R}}$, a treacle made of venom, a most excellent Medicine is multiplied in quantity by new addition of the aforementioned gluten; in quality by dissolving IN HUMIDO into a liquor, & purifying by digestion, & then by fixation: Experience will teach other things far better. This method, altho' it differs much from that of the greatest Philosophers, as Lully, Trevisan, Cosmopolite & c. (& being but particular in comparision of that high GENERALLISIMA nevertheless it seems to be Universal in regard to metals & minerals. Note, that You may also extract a white & red $\bullet\bullet$ of that which remains, as was said before, & make a new aurifique stone thereof, which those Authors have not understood, or if they have understood it, they have not spoken of it. Note also that this mineral ∇ of Paradise is the Philosophers liv \odot & the \mathfrak{S} of the Wise, but not the GENERALISSIMA: And this ∇ will serv against all maladies, for it drives them out, according to the intention & inclination of Nature.

To prepare a Ferment or \mathfrak{A} of \odot .

Make an $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$ of \odot or \mathcal{D} ; grind this $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$, then squeeze it thro' a leather. The globe remaining in the leather you must grind again, & then put it in a porringer, covered with another porringer, & lute them well together; then put them to a gentle \triangle for 1/2 an \mathfrak{E} . Then grind it again, & digest it between the 2 porringers as before. Repeat this so often till the \odot or \mathcal{D} be in $\mathfrak{O}^{\dagger\dagger}$ impalpable. Then incorporate this $\mathfrak{O}^{\dagger\dagger}$ with fresh \mathfrak{S} , grind them together, & digest with a gentle \triangle , so that little or nothing may sublime, & if anything sublime, put it again to that

which remains in the bottom. Repeat this last operation (adding new ☿, grind & digest as before) so often till the whole body of ☉ or ☽ be converted into running ☿, & that all may be squeezed thro' the leather. Then put this ☿ animated into a porringer, which cover, & digest with a gentle heat, so that nothing mates. Continue the digestion so long till you see a thin skin swimming upon the matter, which take off carefully (it will be of the colour of ☉ or ☽). Put the matter upon the Δ again, increase the heat a little, taking off the thin skin as it riseth, continuing so long until the matter produce no more thereof. And thus you shall have the Δ of ☉ or ☽. (Compare this with Process at p. 391.)

An Operation that Monsr. dol Oberye.

wrote from Monsr. John's mouth .

Take the Mother liquor of Salt petre, let it run cold thro' washed \therefore , then filter it by Languettes, then through gray paper. Then evaporate with very gentle heat, putting down the skins as they rise upon the liquor. The remaining \ominus being dry, grind it & put it in a cellar to solve p. d. Then filter & evaporate as before. Repeat this purification 5 or 6 times, or so often, till it leave no more feces in the filter. If you take lb. X of this liquor, you shall have but lb. ij, $\frac{3}{4}$ viii of purified \ominus . Of this ij. $\frac{3}{4}$ viii, you shall have $\frac{3}{4}$ X of Spirit by distilling it in \curvearrowright in \therefore . You must put but lb. $\frac{1}{2}$ of this \ominus into each \curvearrowright . Dephlegmate it in B. Take the \odot & grind it & solve it p. d. Filter & congeal, repeating this 2 or 3 times. Then being very dry, join $\frac{3}{4}$ iij. of it

with ♁ of the rectified Spirit. Digest & circulate 8 ♁ with gentle heat in —E , & all will be a ∇ of the colour of amber. Put one part of ⊙ into ten parts of this liquor, & it will dissolve it (cold) in less than a 1/4 of an ♁ . Decant the solution when it is clear. One drop thereof taken in a little broath, is a great corroborant.

Put ♀ revived from Cinnabar into the solution of ⊙ , & it will become like a gum. Decant the clear & put the ♀ to dry & it will become hard. Melt it between two beds of calcined egg-shells in a ∇ , & you shall have good ⊙ .

(It appears to me that this Process with Salt-petre resolves itself into Nitric acid or ∇ which dissolves ⊙ . I doubt its efficacy as a medicine. At least, it cannot be the true ⊙ potable. If it does resolve itself into Nitric Acid & the mixture of this with ♁ , makes a solution in which the volatile ♀ can be fixed, it is a very easy Particular for Κενοσοποιεια)

Water of Paradise of Venus & Mars,
of ♀ & ♂ captivated, whence cometh
Cupid, or the Solar Panacea .

Although these metals cannot take the ♀ ial ∇ , nor give volatile crystals, as ♁ , ♃ , & ♄ do, because they are very ♀ ial, & the former almost all sulphureous, nevertheless you may do it thus: Dissolve ♀ & ♂ (each by itself) in the ⊖ Androgine, which hath but little ♀ , to the end that it may dissolve more easily: Then make a Lixivium, which precipitate with your liquor of ♄ ; dry the —d . ♁ , & sprinkle it with a good deal of Spirit of ⊖ ; then mix it with ♁ , & distill volatile

crystals thereof; with which proceed as before. The ∇ of Paradise is made of ♀ only, & is called ∇ , or ♀ his astrum.

It cures the Pox, Gout & c. The Gluten of these metals is digested either PER SE, or with a solar ferment, as before, into a Panacea, which is a wonderful Medicine, & will cure maladies in Men & Metals. (Compare this with Process of Mynsicht at p. 483 & also with that at p. 493). It appears to me that the Processes given in Kenelm Digby are, some of them, very imperfect. Perhaps this is the consequence of being published after his death by his Steward & Chemist who probably did not fully understand the work he had been engaged in. However, it seems to be the same as the Process of Mynsicht, & one may elucidate the other).

Cure for Epilepsy.

Sir Kenelm Digby relates that in the year 1663, the Lady Warwick told him that a daughter of her husband's elder brother had Epilepsy in the greatest extremity, so that she fell like a log 7 or 8 times a day without any motion. They had put her into the hands of the ablest Physicians in England, who in effect could do her no good.

A gentleman of their neighbours undertook to cure her, & performed the cure thus: Rx. true Mistletoe of the oak, the leaves, the berries & all the tender branches; dry it gently in an oven after the bread is drawn; then reduce it to a very fine ♂ , of which give as much as will lye upon a shilling for one of ripe years; for middle aged, a sixpence, for a child, a groat: Give it morning & evening 3 days before, & 3 days after the full of the ☾ . Repeat this remedy for some months together. This cured also

my Lord Herbert's son & many other persons of quality. The best time to gather the Mistletoe of the oak, is in the month of September, when it bears berries, & in the waning of the ☾.

Lapis ignis for the renovation of mankind

by the three Principles of Nature

☉, ♀, & ☿.

rx. ☿ Mineral, pulverize it & calcine it in a close reverberatory with sufficient but moderate heat, so that it melt not. In 24 ☉ it will be calcined & will be a gray ☿. Rx. of this ☿ calcined & raw ☿ Mineral, ana lb. j.; melt them together in a ▽. When they are well melted & incorporated, pour it out into a ♀ or brass kettle, & it will be glass of ☿, which needeth not to be clear. If you did not add the ☿ Mineral, the calcined ☿ would not melt. Pulverize this glass & grind it upon a marble stone till it be an impalpable ☿, which put into a phial & pour upon it distilled ☿ alcalised with its fixed ☉, & digest in ∴. When you see the ☿ d. ☿ coloured of a golden colour, decant the clear & put fresh ☿ d. ☿ upon the glass, & digest as before. Repeat this till you have extracted all the ☿ out of the glass. Then filter the tinted ☿ d. ☿, & put it into a ▽. Distill with a gentle △ in ∴ until you see there remain a liquor like a deep red ☿ in the bottom of the ▽, & that you see some drops appear in the neck of the ▽, which is a sign that all the ☿ d. ☿ is come over. Pour upon this ☿ tartarised ☿. Digest & circulate for 3 or 4 days, or more. Then draw off the ☿ gently in B., & as soon as you see any red drops appear, change the

recipient, putting on another. Then distill over all the remaining red
 .. to dryness. This .. will be very red & very precious, & is the true
 .. & ☿ of ☽, which is a wonderful medicine against the Plague & all
 diseases.

To make the ☉ of ☽ .

Calcine ☽ in a glass oven or in a reverberatory, until it be perfectly
 white, without any addition; then sprinkle it with Dew & dry it in the
 ☉ . Sprinkle & dry it 7 or 8 times. Then grind it to ☽ . Rx. of this
 ☽ 3 parts & one of ☽ of charcoal. Mix them together & put them into
 a ▽, which set in a wind furnace & give △ by degrees & at last a strong
 △ to make all melt well. Then take out the ▽ & knock it against the
 ground to make the m fall to the bottom. Break the ▽ being cold & sep-
 arate the ☉, which you will find between the m & the Scories. So soon
 as you perceive that the matter is melted, you must be quick in making the
m & take the ▽ out as soon as you can, for fear the ☉ should evapor-
 ate in the △ .

To make the ☿ of ☽ for this work .

Calcine ☽ in a close reverberatory until it be gray. Then se. it
 in an ▽ en vessel. Grind again what is sd. & se. it as before.
 Repeat this operation 3 times, or until you see the ☽ sd. hard & pon-
 derous, wherein is inclosed all the ☿ of ☽ .

Composition of the said \ominus , \triangle & ♀ .

Rx. of the said \ominus $\text{℥} j$. Dissolve it in as much of the $\circ\circ$ as will dissolve it & as much as the said \ominus will imbibe, so that it be like an ointment or paste. Digest IN FIMO EQUINA for ten days. Then take it out & add $\text{℥} j$ of the said ♀ of ♂ ; & being well mixed & incorporated together, put it to digest as before until it be converted into a red ♂ . The way of taking this red ♂ is thus:-

Take gr. iv. of this ♂ in a little Canary Sack in the morning fasting in your bed. It will cause a gentle breathing sweat, for 3 days together, during which time you must keep your bed. Your chamber must be very warm & close. You may eat & drink moderately of good wholesome food. The 3 days being past, you may rise & walk about your chamber, taking good nourishing food, abstaining from all labours in body & mind; & this will renew hair & skin, & will be strong & vigorous.

It will not be needful to use this remedy but once in 40 years; but you may use of the said $\circ\circ$, taking 3 drops of it in a little sack in the morning fasting, for the preservation of your health. This $\circ\circ$ may be given in all distempers with great success. This is from Abbot Boucaud.

The Marchioness de Beck, her AURUM POTABILE

which she much esteemeth.

Rx. Calx of \odot & ℥ of ♂ , ana $\text{℥} j, 4 \text{ ℥} ij$. Melt them together, & then grind them to a subtil ♂ with $\text{℥} iv$. of Sugar candy, Oriental Bezoar, & \ast , ana $\text{℥} j$. Mix all well together, put them into a large

▽, & distill in ∴ with a graduate △ for 6 ☉. Let the bottom of the ▽ be red hot for at least 1/2 an ☉. You shall have an Aureal Liq- uor, whereof 2 or 3 drops taken in a little Canary, or other convenient liquor, is a great cordial & restorative.

(Hartman). The said Marchioness told me at Paris (where she showed me That Aurum Potable & gave me the recipe of it) that when at any time she found herself indisposed, she presently took 2 or 3 drops of it & immed- iately she felt her self strengthened & cheerful & c. The Baron de Roche showed me also the Recipe of it at Paris, who also made great esteem of it, telling me that he esteemed it to be one of the best Aurum Potable that could be made, & that it was a Sovereign Cordial & Restorative.

You may reduce 2/3 parts of the ☉ out of the ☉, its \overline{R} only, & the sublilest part of it cometh over by distillation.

Mr. Locher, an Apothecary of London,
his excellent oil for deafness
which he gave to Sir K.D.

Rx. ∴ of bitter almonds, ∴ of spikenard, ana ℥ vi. juice of onions, juice of rue, ana ℥ ij. black hellebore ☉ ℥ . colocintida ℥ ℥, ∴ of Exeter ℥ ij. Boil this till the juice be consumed. Then strain it & add 2 drops of ∴ of Anniseed, ∴ of Origanon, one drop. Pour a drop or 2 of this ∴ into the ear, & lye upon your bed with that ear upwards that you intend to drop into. Lye still for a 1/4 of an ☉ after. Then drop into the other, if it require it. It is to be continued a month, or 2 or 3, as you find benefit. When you have dropped into the ear, you must stop it with a little black wool dipped in the ∴.

Many persons have found much benefit by the use of this $\circ\circ$, to my knowledge. (This seems altogether absolute, & the next much better.)

Another experimented remedy for the same.

Rx. a good large eel, flea it & cut it into round pieces of the length of a finger. Stick them full with Rosemary & Sage. Then take an earthen pan, put 2 or 3 sticks of wood in cross-wise, lay your pieces of eel upon them, so that they may not touch the bottom of the pan. Bake it in an oven as you do meat. Then take the fat of the eel that is in the pan, & strain it thro' fine linen cloth. Measure how much there is of it, & put to it as much \sqrt{S} . Then take juice of onions & juice of the white ends of leeks, ana \mathcal{Z} j., of your first mixture \mathcal{Z} ij. Put them together into a vial, stop it close, & shake it well for an hour. It is in all things to be used as the former, except that instead of one or 2 drops, you must drop in 3 or 4.

Hartman). This was communicated to me by a Gentleman at Paris, who had done wonderful cures with it, & among the rest, he had cured the Governour of Calais his Secretary with it, who had been deaf 20 years, his deafness being caused by a sickness.

Sir Kenelm Digby his excellent Plaister of Lead.

Rx. of the best $\circ\circ$ Olive lb. ij. \mathcal{Z} iv. white \mathcal{H} , red Minium, ana lb. grind them to $\circ\#$, & put them with the $\circ\circ$ into a large glazed pot or pipkin, with \mathcal{Z} xii. of Venice soap shred small, which put upon a gentle coal fire, & stir it well with an iron spatula for an Ξ . Then increase the

△ a little, which continue until the liquor be of the colour of an ☉. Then drop some of it on a board, & if it sticks, or that it cleave to your fingers, 'tis a sign that it is boiled enough. Then roll it up & keep it for use.

This Plaister being applyed to the stomach, is good for the weakness & indigestion thereof, & causeth a good appetite.

Being applied to the belly, it cureth the Colic; & being applied to the back, it strengthens the reins, cureth the bloody flux, the gonorrhoea, & tempers the excessive heat of the Liver.

It cureth all contusions & bruises, swellings & inflammations. It matures & draws all sorts of apostumes, wolfs & pustules, & cures them without lancing or incision. Being applied to the head, it strengthens the eye-sight; to the fundament, it cureth all accidents that may happen there, as haemorrhoids, & c. Being applied to the belly of a woman, it provokes the Terms, & disposeth her for conception.

A precious ℞ of the Flowers of ☿ .

Rx. the dark red Flowers of ☿ , digest & circulate them with rectified Spirit of Vitriol. When they are sufficiently united, abstract the Spirit of Vitriol to an ☉ , upon which pour ♀ . Digest & extract a ℞ . s.a. which abstract again to the consistence of an ☉ .

This ℞ fortifieth & cherisheth the heart & vital spirits, strengthens the stomach, is good against agues & fevers, hysterical fits, hypochondriac melancholy. It cures the jaundice, opens obstructions, provokes the terms. It is good against the gout, scurvy, dropsy, itch & scabs. It purifieth the blood & strengthens Nature. Dose from gr. j. to iij. or iv. given in a fit vehicle.

Fixation of ☉ wrought by Father Bening de Baune, &
by him communicated to me.

First, he animated common ☿ for this work, thus:- Rx. ℥iv of common ☿, melt it in an earthen porringer, then cast into it by little & little lb. x of ☿ (purified with ☉ & ☿ & squeezed thro' Chamois leather). Stir it continually. Then take it from the ☿, & keep it stirring until it is reduced to a black ☿, which grind, & add to it lb. j. of ☿ in ☿, & lb. j. of quick lime also in ☿. Mix all together & put it into a coated ▽, of such a bigness, that 1/3 part may remain empty. Distill it, & let the nose of the ▽ lye in a porringer full of ▽. Distill by degrees of ☿, as you do A.F. The ☿ will distill into the ▽.

Mix this ☿ again with new materials, & distill as before. Repeat this operation with the said ☿ seven times, every time with new materials.

Rx. of this ☿ ℥iv. $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$ te it with ℥j of ☉. Wash the $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$ so often that the ▽ comes from it clear. Then dry it. Put this $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$ into a matrass & digest 24 ☉ in ☿. Then take it out & grind it in a glass mortar, & add to it ℥xx of the said ☿. Grind them well together, then wash & dry it. Put it into a ▽ & distill over all the ☿ in ∴∴∴.

Rx. ℥viii of this ☿, $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$ te it with ℥j of a light spungy ☿ of ☉. Wash this $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$ with warm ▽, dry it, & put it into a matrass. Seal it Hermetically & digest it in ∴∴∴ the space of 24 ☉. Then grind it again with ℥viii more of ☿, & digest as before. Repeat this operation once more with ℥viii more of ☿, so that there be ℥xxiv of ☿ to one of ☉. Put them into several matrasses which seal Hermetically, & put them to a suppressing heat in an Athanor for the space of 2

months. Then put all into a ∇ & distill it in \therefore with a heat of suppression, so that the Δ above be stronger than that below, & if any of the \odot remain in the bottom of the ∇ , you must $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$ te it with 24 parts of \wp , & distill it as before, until all the \odot be distilled over. Repeat the same as before until the \odot hath taken in 60 parts of \wp , & if it taketh but 24 of \wp , the \odot will be better, and your \wp will be animated.

Rx. $\frac{3}{2}$ j of Ψ of \odot , & 3 or 4 of your \wp animated, $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$ te them together, wash the said $\tilde{a}\tilde{a}\tilde{a}$ with warm ∇ , then divide it into 2 parts & put them into 2 matrasses. Seal them Hermetically & digest in an Athanor with very gentle heat for 40 or 50 days.

Then increase the heat for 40 or 50 days more. Then continue the digestion with the third degree of heat (stronger yet) unto the end of 8 months, counting the time of the first & second degree already past. Then digest a month longer by the 4 degrees of Δ , which will make it 9 months in all.

The Ψ of \odot is made of equal parts of \odot & \mathcal{M} of $\♂$ melted together & reduced to \oplus . Note, that the \mathcal{M} is not to be reckoned so that you must take $\frac{3}{2}$ ij of this \oplus .

Observations .

The Athanor was of a digestive furnace with a tower for the coals, & between both, there were 2 Registers of heat, the one gave the heat under the vessels, & the other above. The matrass stood in \therefore in a bason of \wp which held 10 or 12 matrasses. At the beginning the Δ was given only below, & so gentle that the \wp never $\underline{=}$ d. The bason with the matrass

was covered with a cover like a Dome, & after that the heat was given also above, & that stronger than before. And it ought to be always continued without interruption. After 9 months digestion, all the ☽ will be transmuted into ☉, & besides that, you shall have an augmentation of a third part of ☉.

Note, That you must not put above $\frac{3}{2}$ ij of matter into each matrass. The ☉ which he used in this Operation, was 3 times purified by ☿. He told me since that the greater proportion of *M* you put to the ☽, the better your work will succeed & you shall have the more ☉ & the sooner.

Hartman). The said Father B. de B. was the Apothecary in the Convent of the Capuchins at Lyons. He was an able Chymist, & had been for some years Operator with the Chancellor of France in his Laboratory. When I went from Paris to Italy, after Sir Kenelm's death, passing the Lyons, I went to see him in the Convent of the Capuchins, where I had some discourse with him concerning this work. He confirmed it to me, assuring me that he had done it, & that it was a real truth, & that is all I know of it.