

[To Prevent Bad Effects or Disasters from His Recipe]

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Type
Medicine

Symptoms
rheumatism
nervous excitement

Ingredients
bread pills
catnip tea
cognac brandy
cognac
brandy

Places
Halifax
Nova Scotia

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Description

A recipe offering an antidote from any "bad effects or disasters" that might arise from the prescription of an unnamed physician. The letter was sent to Halifax, likely from a Byles family member in Boston. Series A #3 Letterbook.

Transcription

nod of approbation to say "I thank you Dr. for y^r. compliments" -- By y^e. day, as he found me sur-
-orned wth. such a number of lett^{rs} to answer, he very kindly requested he "might have the
pleasure of answering one of them for me" & I had almost accepted his obliging offer, when
y^e. sudden thought occured y^t. what he wrote might possibly prove a Recipe & if sent to
Halifax might occasion a combustion amongst you & excite y^r. nervous system so much
as to bring on y^e. Rheumatix. - I beg if you s^d. receive such a paper from y^e. Dr. to pre-
-vent very bad effects or disasters from his Recipe, I beg, I say, you will immediately
use y^e. following prescription. Take one or two bread pills, or a few drafts of ice of
{...} in a tablespoon full of Katnup tea well pulverized or sifted & swal-
-low it down as quick as possible, & dilute wth three pints of best coniac Brandy,

