

[Dr. Wyer's and Theodore Mayerne's Treatment for Eruptions] Dr. William James Almon

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Cosmetic

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Symptoms

inflamed face

pimples

scabbing

dry scale

white heads

Ingredients

red speedwell

veronica rubra

brandy

Places

Halifax

Nova Scotia

Scotland

Great Britain

Geneva

France

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Description

Remedies for treating an inflamed face with severe acne from Dr. Wyer of Cambridge MA and renowned Genevan physician Theodore Mayerne, who treated French and English royalty, p. 19.

Transcription

Eruptions

Doctor Wyer has found great service from the use of [Ungl].

[nutrit]: in cases of scabby Eruptions of the face [etc.]

The Family of Lord Maxwell were subject to an inflamed face, sometimes purple, sometimes scarlet, and often covered with pimples; these unusually went off in [scurf]: sometimes in a thin round, dry scale; and sometimes (especially after eating anything high seasoned) they rose to a white head. There were sometimes also when they swelled under the skin, became large, and hard and were obliged to be opened with a lancet.

after almost every Medicine had been tried: Sir Theodore Mayerne cured his patient with Red. Speedwell, or Veronica [Rubra]= it is given in Decoction, and or infused in brandy__

Annotations

Doctor Wyer

The Medical Communications of the Massachusetts Medical Society, Vol. 1, 59 Article 5 (1808) identifies a "late Dr. Edward Wyer as Fellow of the Massachusetts Medical Society, and Physician at Halifax, Nova Scotia."

Mayerne

Sir Theodore Mayerne (1573-1655) was a Genevan physician trained at Montpellier University. A Huguenot and disciple of Paracelsus, Mayerne treated royalty in France as well as Great Britain.

Dr. Wyer's and Theodore Mayerne's Treatment for Eruptions recipe from Early Modern Maritime Recipes:

<https://emmr.lib.unb.ca/recipes/191>