[A Popular Remedy for the Rheumatism] Dr. William James Almon

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Ingredients
mustard
sulphur of antimony
camphor
opium
water
spirits
sugar
salt
g water

Places
Halifax
Nova Scotia

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Description

A recipe for treating rheumatism overlaid with a newspaper clipping, p. 156.

Transcription

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1(a Powder)Take of mustard three teaspoon^{...}^
Sulphur of Antimony six
g[r]ains mix them together
and [chord] into six [Bons]--
One to be taken every Morning in [threw] Mouth --
Take a common Bottle of mustard, salt one handful mix in a bottle
2Linniment g Water, camphor one drachm, Opium 2 drachms [disposed]
in a gill of spirits, mix the whole together [& rub] the part
affected with it. If the parts swell add one drachm Sugar

[Newspaper clipping:]
[...] He considered the oper
-ations of death upon his system as coeval with
the disease; and several hours before his death,
after repeated efforts to be understood, succeeded
in expressing a desire that he might be permitted
to die without further interruption.
During the short period of his illness, he econ-
omized his time, in the arrangement of such few
concerns as required his attention, with the ut-
most serenity; and anticipated his approaching
Dissolution with every demonstration of that equa-
nimity, for which his whole life has been so uni-
formly and singularly conspicuous.
JAMES CRAIK, Attending Phys'n.
ELISHA C. DICK, Consulting Phys'n.

Annotations

ELISHA C. DICK

Dr. Elisha C. Dick was the mayor of Alexandria, Virgina, USA and a Virginia physician; in particular, he was the attending physician at George Washington's death.

JAMES CRAIK

Dr. James Craik was George Washington's personal physician. He also served as the Physician General (Surgeon General) of the United States Army.

A Popular Remedy for the Rheumatism recipe from Early Modern Maritime Recipes:
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