[An Approved Method to Catch Rats] Benjamin Marston

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anise seed oil
oatmeal
Indian berry

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Description

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Transcription

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Set a common wire Trap--Rub ye way

from the Rat holes to ye trap with toasted

Cheshire Cheese on wch a few drops of oil

of anniseeds has been dropped--let ye path

be about four inches wide--Let the trap

be likewise well rubbed wth ye same--

The Trap to be baited wth a composition made

wth 8 oz rich Cheese 8 oz Oatmeal seven or 8

drops of oil of anniseed 1 oz Indian berries

Annotations

Indian berrie

The OED defines Indian berry as "now rare the fruit of the Asian plant Anamirta cocculus."

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