

[Black Ink] Jonathan Odell

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Compiler

Jonathan Odell

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Household

Ingredients

rain water

river water

blue galls of Aleppo

green copperas

gum arabic

rock alum

walnut peelings

sawdust

Places

Aleppo

Source: Jonathan Odell Notebook

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Description

This recipe is on page 12. Image courtesy of New Brunswick Museum Archives and Research Library.

Transcription

Black Ink

To six quarts of rain or River

water put on pound & a half of fresh

blue galls of Aleppo bruised pretty

small, eight ounces of clean hard

green copperas, eight ounces of

clear gum arabic & two ounces
of rock allum: let the whole stand
together in a large stone Bottle,
or earthen Pott, & stir the mixture
thoroughly once or twice a day,
till the tincture be sufficiently
strong, then let it settle, and
after some days decant it for
use -- N.B. If you soak the green
peelings of Walnuts with oak Saw Dust
in rain water for a fortnight, then
strain it & add the above Ingredients
the ink will be the stronger.

Black Ink recipe from Early Modern Maritime Recipes: <https://emmr.lib.unb.ca/recipes/521>