

He further voucheth his own Trial (p. 179.) that *Knarsborough* water hath 2. Ounces of Salt in a Gallon, though it be 40. miles distant from the Sea: And that he hath found also by trial, the 16th part of the Northern Sea-water near *Scarborough* to be a body of Salt (an Ounce of Salt for every pint;) and he conceives the Southern Seas to contain a greater proportion of Salt. Here we must distinguish, that the 2. Ounces of Salt above mentioned, to be found in every Gallon of *Knarsborough* water, belong to the Well there called the *Sulphur*-well: And for the healing properties of the *Sweet well* (as they call the other Well at *Knarsborough*) he refers to the Ingenious and illustrious Experiments of Dr. *French* and Dr. *Dean*.

All which being considered, we cannot but add, that whoever discovers such healing waters, and publicly prescribes the safe and right use of them, does really distribute larger and nobler Alms, than if he built and endowed a *Savoy*. For this prolongs life, and restores health, (which is sometimes better than life) both to rich and Poor, to Natives and strangers, to Neighbors and Travellers.

We cannot take off our hands here, without annexing our Authors related Experiment of *Carps* (p. 25.) which were taken out of Ponds newly drained, and being put with fresh water into a *Copper* Brewing-vessel, to be preserved but for one night, were all found dead in the morning. This he imputes to the poisonous steams of the *Copper* communicated to the cold water.

Among the Causes of *Hot-springs*, he doth (p. 181.) alledge a considerable remark on an Observation, made by the late Lord *Fairfax*, of some heaps of White powder, which he found sweat out of the Earth near *Bath* (in *Somersetshire*;) which being put into the water, makes it hot; as my self (saith the Doctor) did experience 5. or 6. years after his Lordship had taken it up.

As to his last Experimental Demonstrations and Observations, How the fall of Rain and Snow may generally and most frequently be the cause of our purest, liveliest and most lasting Springs, they doe all agree most punctually in all circumstances, with the Experiences and Observations of an Antient and very Worthy Gentleman, who lives on the side of *Mendip-hills*, and hath had his Eyes always from his Youngest days upon the fairest and fullest Sources and Amnery's, I lay not of *Mendip* but I think I may say of this *Island*. This Gentleman hath given to a friend of his the Instances and Particulars under his own hand, both for the Springs about *Mendip*, and in other parts of England; and hath many other Antient Witnesses to joyn with him in the same Certificate. And yet Dr. *Wittie* attributes much (some will say, more than enough) to the Conversion of Air into Water in the *Subterraneous Channels*: For the Illustration of which he himself knew a Sergeant, belonging to *Hull*, who in a *Diabete* did void above 6. quarts or 12. pounds of Urine every 24 hours, for some weeks together, till all his Musculous parts were dissolved into Urine; the measure whereof did far exceed the weight of his whole Body, and of his Meat and Drink: In all this time he drank not 3. pints of drink in a day. I know not whether I dare alleage here Sir *Kene'm Digby's* relation, he recited of the *Nun*, which voided 200 pounds of Water, as from her bladder, every 24. hours, for some weeks together: or that *Older* record of a sick Maid in *Italy*, who did every day void 36. pints or pounds of Urine for the space of 60. days; during which time there were collected 1740. pounds of Urine more than the weight of all her Meat and a Drink, that she had taken. *Horum & similibus fides penes Autores esto.*

ERRATA in Numb. 50. to be thus corrected

P. Ag. 1001. l. 14. read Hippocrates. p. 1005. l. 1. r. as far as the Tropick. p. 1007. l. 25. r. (from the Lizard) p. 109. l. 14. r. are not many. ib. l. 20. r. hints, easily p. 1012. l. 14. r. not very rare.) p. 1013. l. 16. r. this kind ib. l. 18. r. to breed. ib. l. 21. r. hist. ib. p. 1015. l. 22. r. their head. p. 1019. l. 10. r. Zwelfer. ib. r. Pharmacopœa.

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