

Old Time Remedies.

In the Saturday Review we find a very readable article upon certain of the remedies which commended themselves to our forefathers. The following are quoted from the Rev. Edward Topsell's "Historic of Four-footed Beastes." They are taken almost at random, choice being made only of those prescribed for diseases and afflictions which are perhaps as common as any to which flesh is heir. To those who suffer from toothache—a complaint which few escape—we commend the following simple remedies:—"The teeth which were first engendered in a horse have the virtue in them, that if they should touch the teeth of a man or woman who are molested and grieved with the toothache, they shall presently find a fit all end of their pain: if in like manner a child doe kisse the nose or snout of a horse he shall never feele paine in his teeth." "The tooth of a hare laid to that part where the teeth ake easeth them," or "if the liver of a Bull be boiled on a soft fire, and put in one's mouth that hath the toothache, the paine will goe away, as soone as ever the teeth touch it." In cases of earache and deafness, "The fatte of a Dornouse, the fatte of a hen, and the marrow of an Oxe melted together, and being hot infused into the Eares, doth very much profit both the paines and deafnesse thereof." Gout was a common complaint in the days of Topsell, as is evidenced by the large number of prescriptions for the cure and "easing" of it that he has handed down to us. The following, which form but a very small part of those given, are sufficiently quaint for repetition:—"The Oyle in which a Foxe is baked, either alive or dead, doth either altogether cure and make whole those which are troubled with the gout, if so be that the disease or sickness be greene or new, or at the least not of too longe continuance it doth so cure them, although it may happen to returne againe, yet it will be much more milde and gentle than it had bene." "A Foxe sod in water till nothing of the Foxe be left whole except the bones, and the Legges or other parts of a gouty body washed and daily bathed therein, it shall drive away all paine and griefe, strengthening the defective and weake members." After this prescription, however, our author adds, "Neveetheless, such bodies are soone again replenished through evill dyett and relapsed into the same disease againe." "A fat cat sod" is also prescribed, "first taking the fat and annoynting therewith the sicke parte, and then wetting Wooll or Towe in the same, and binding it to the offensed place," and "A Wolfe being sodden alive until the bones doe only remaine, is very much commended for the paines of the goute," though how the remedy is to be applied does not appear. "The dust of a living Weasell brent, mingled with wax and rose-water, and annoynted with a feather upon gouty legs," we are told, "cureth the same disease;" but all the above prescriptions are simple in comparison with the following gruesome recipe:—"If there shall be any flesh or bones of men found in the body of a dead Hyena, being dried and beaten to powder, and then mixed with a certain perfume they will be very excellent to help the gout." Topsell quaintly adds: "The vanity of the Magi or Wise men, which is witty in nothing but the circumstance of works, doth say that the best time to take hyenas is when the Moone passeth over the sign called Gemini." "For giving great ease unto the gowt the skines of beavers burned with drie Oynions and liquid pitch put into the soles of shooes," or soles made of "Badger skins" are very much commended.

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