

## WARTS.

Young people are very liable to these excrescences; they are an exuberant growth of the skin. If they will admit of it, a silk thread should be tied as tightly round them as can be borne, and they will soon fall off; when the spot should be touched every day or two with a bit of lunar caustic. Or they may be cut off with a pair of scissors, and treated in a similar manner. Where they cannot be removed in this way, the warts should be moistened now and then with a little aromatic vinegar, or the juice of celandine. Those bluish warts that occur on the face, lips, and eyelids, should not be touched.

## WATERY HEAD.

This disease is almost peculiar to children, seldom occurring after twelve or fourteen years of age: it is characterised by lassitude, heaviness, pain in the head, intolerance of light, costiveness, sickness, and, as it increases, starting in the sleep, screaming, convulsions, squinting, enlargement of the pupil of the eye, stupor, and death.

*Treatment.*—Bleeding, leeches to the temples, cupping between the shoulders, a blister over the whole of the head, keeping it open by dressing it with savine ointment, purging by two or three grains of calomel, eight of jalap, and twenty of cream of tartar; and repeated every other day, or oftener if necessary; giving eight or ten drops of the tincture of digitalis three times a day. This is the treatment necessary to subdue the inflammatory action of the first stage; in the next stage, the water in or on the brain should be removed by the following plan. Rub a scruple of strong mercurial ointment into the skin of the inside of the thighs every night and morning, until the signs of mercury appear, and administer ten grains of magnesia, two grains of the blue pill, and three drops of ladanum in a little jelly, three times a day: purge the bowels occasionally, and support the strength with beef broth, arrow-root, wine, and other similar articles.

## WATER BRASH.

*Symptoms.*—Heat and pain at the pit of the stomach, belching, and a discharge of a thin watery fluid resembling saliva, which flows from the stomach, gullet, throat, and mouth, in considerable quantities. It occurs frequently in Ireland and Scotland, and has been supposed to arise from the immoderate use of potatoes, or oatmeal, with whiskey.

*Treatment.*—The spasms to be relieved by taking thirty or forty drops of laudanum, and smoking or chewing tobacco; and the disordered state of the stomach corrected by the following means. Clear the stomach by an emetic of ipecacuanha, and take in the following pills:

Take Oxyde of Bismuth	2 drachms;
Aromatic Confection	1 drachm;

Mix, and divide into 48 pills; the dose of which is two pills, three times