

an emetic. Sea Water every other day will cure Swelled Glands in the Neck; for Shingles, "drink sea water for a week every morning, toward the close, bathe also."

About the time of the first edition, or shortly before, the well known Bishop Berkeley had strongly advocated the use of tar water; and Wesley is warmly in favor of it for many diseases. He gives a direction for making it thus: "Put a gallon of cold water to a quart of Norway tar. Stir them together with a flat stick for five or six minutes. After it has stood covered for three days, pour off the water, clear, bottle and cork it." It is recommended for St. Anthony's Fire externally and internally, internally for Asthma. "A Cancer under the eye was cured by drinking a quart of tar water daily, washing the same with it, and then applying a plaister of tar and mutton suet melted together. It was well in two months though of twenty years' standing." Drunk twice a day it has cured Dropsy; a large glass warm every hour cures Fever; half a pint morning and evening for three months is a Specific for the Falling Sickness and the Scurvy, and cures the Palsy; a glass taken warm every half hour is good for Pleurisy, and less frequently for Stoppage in the kidneys. All these pale into insignificance, however, when compared with the following: "Take tar water morning and evening; this is a tried medicine for Old Age and will probably renew the Strength for some years."

It is at least curious that tar water is not recommended for smallpox, for which it is especially urged as a remedy by Berkeley.

The cold bath is an especial favorite with Wesley; he recommends it for Ague, Tertian or otherwise, Apoplexy, Cancer in the Breast ("this has cured many"), Chin Cough or Hooping Cough, Nervous Cholic (i. e., "a cholic with purging, some term them watery gripes"), Consumption ("cold bathing has cured many deep Consumptions, Tried"), Convulsion, Corns, an Inveterate Cough