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11.—This word is no doubt akin to the German Streicher; while it was not in very common literary use before and at Nedham's time it had been used by Nash and some others. The New English Dictionary, p. 1136 sub voc. Striker 2 d quotes this very book Medela Medicina for its use. The word is synonymous with scortator or what Nedham bluntly calls whoremonger. A woman striker is the female of the species.

12.—"Where they are too passionately inflamed with desire and, like horses, urged on by burning semen attempt their aim too fiercely." The precautions to be taken are given in Latin "locked up from the eyes of common readers partly for modesty's sake and partly because such cautions may prove an encouragement to wickedness." The reasons for avoiding all reference to such diseases and prophylactics against them are only now beginning to yield to terrible necessity. Zacutus Lusitanius (Abraham Zacuto), 1575-1672, a learned Portuguese Jew born in Lisbon, an ardent follower of Galen and the Arabians and a pathologist of some merit, is quoted for preventive rules but even Zacutus admits their failure in some cases.

13.—See Note 12. The works of Zacutus cited are his *Praxis admiranda*, Book II, obs. 134; and *De Medicinæ Principalium Historiæ* 73.

14.—Thomas or Aurelius Minadous, 1554-1604, a celebrated practitioner and professor at Padua, one of Harvey's preceptors—the work of Minadous cited is *De Lue Venerea*, Chap. V.

15.—Avicenna (Ebu Sina, Abu Aliebu Abdallah ebu Sina) 980-1037, "the Prince of Physicians," too well known to require further notice here.

16.—As to Sir Kenelm Digby and his powder of sympathy see my article in the New York Medi-CAL JOURNAL for February 19, 1916.

17.—Nicholas Leonicenus (1478-1524) was the first to write on anything like modern lines on syphilis (1497); he was well acquainted with the