piles; when leeches will not fix, they may be opened with a lancet, this would not be required but when the piles appear very large and discharge nothing.

For inward piles take a quarter of an ounce of black pitch and boil it well in some honey and water, and drink it down warm.

VEGETABLE ACRID POISONS.

They are very numerous, but I think it only necessary to make mention at first of those likely to be taken into the stomach designedly or mistaken.

BRIONY ROOT is a large spindle shaped root of a whitish yellow color and very fleshy; its taste being sweet, acrid and bitter; it causes cholic pains, and when it has been swallowed as poison, the throat should be irritated with a finger or feather, and drink large draughts of warm water, just warm enough to excite vomiting, after which milk with from a grain to two grains of opium every two hours until the violence of the cholic pains are removed.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

MONTH OF MAY.

The month of May Clothe all things gay With fragrant flowers, And sunny hours And pleasant showers, Delightful tours; Both us and ours can always say, We like the pleasant month of May.

The month of May Doth well portray Bright blooming health, Better than wealth. But oft by stealth We neglect self For sake of pelf, and for it pay, For spreeing in the month of May.—V. B. H.

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May is the month to be busy sowing seed, no time to be lost, waste not want not, every inch of ground should be in use, and that to the best profit.