

## BOTANY OR PHYTOLOGY.

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Artichokes mentioned on page 116 and page 22, may now be enjoyed in their season.

**MALLOWS.**—The marsh mallow leaves are most generally used for loosening the belly gently, and is used in decoctions for clysters, to ease all pains of the body, opening the straight passages and making them slippery, whereby the stone may descend the more easily, and without pain out of the reins, kidneys and bladder, and easeth the torturing pains thereof. This beautiful herb, and as well, the other common mallows, are used by skillful hands in very important cases. The decoction of the leaves, drank in small quantities, procureth a store of breast milk in nurses when they are short; the leaves bruised and rubbed on places stung by bees, &c., taketh away the pains swellings, and redness caused thereby. The leaves boiled in olive oil is good to remove dandruff and dry scales from the head, and other parts, if rubbed therewith, and washing the head therewith preventeth baldness. The roots are mentioned on page 53. The class in which they rank, page 42 class XV.

**BURNER** is a most precious herb, it is called, also, sanguiforba, pimpinella, bipenula, and solbegrella. For general use the garden kinds are the best, they are friendly to the heart, liver and other principal parts of a man's body. They are of rather a drying and astringent quality, therefore available in all kinds of fluxes of blood and humors, and to staunch bleedings, both inward and outward, lasks, scourings, the bloody flux, whites and the choleric belchings and castings of the stomach. It is a singular wound herb for both head or body, either inward or outward, for old ulcers, running cankers, or moist sores—to be used either by the juice or the decoction of the herb, or by the powder of the herb, or root, or distilled water of the herb, or ointment by itself, or with other things of like nature compounded. The seed is no less effectual in stopping fluxes and drying moist sores, being taken in powder or the powder mixed with ointments. Of class, &c., see page 41 class X.

**BORAGE.**—The meaning of this word is oxtongue. This herb is a great cordial and strengthens of Nature. The leaves are