

The question of the amount of added matters which may be permitted is serious, from the point of view of the use of mustard as a domestic remedy, in blisters, poultices, emetics, &c. The mustard of the pharmacopoeias permits of no admixture. Mustard as a condiment is another matter, and the public should learn to recognize the distinction between the two. Condimental mustard may be regarded as a substitute, in emergency, for the pharmacopoeal mustard, but by no means to be confused with this last.

But even as a condiment, there is a degree of dilution which amounts to fraud. The fixing of limits defining mustard for condimental purposes is under consideration. The problem is not a simple one, and I am not yet in a position to submit a formal solution. I would respectfully recommend the publication of this report as Bulletin No. 176.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

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