

2. Emplastrum Calefaciens Mylabridis.

Mylabris, 1; yellow beeswax, 1; resin, 1; resin plaster, 13; soap plaster, 8; boiling water, 5.

3. Emplastrum Mylabridis.

Mylabris, 35; yellow beeswax, 20; lard, 20; resin, 20; soap plaster, 5.

4. Liquor Epispasticus Mylabridis.

1 in 2 of acetic ether.

5. Unguentum Mylabridis.

1 in 10 of benzoated lard.

ACTION AND THERAPEUTICS.

These are precisely the same as those of cantharides (*see* p. 612).

MYROBALANS.

Myrobalanum. *Synonym.* Chebulic myrobalans. The dried immature fruits of *Terminalia chebula*.

CHARACTERS. Ovoid or fusiform; $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ in. long, $\frac{1}{8}$ in. wide; shrivelled longitudinally; black, solid, brittle. Taste very astringent.

Dose, $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 dr. in powder.

Officially used in India and Eastern Colonies.

Preparations.

1. Unguentum Myrobalani.

1 in 4 of benzoated lard.

2. Unguentum Myrobalani cum Opio.

Myrobalan ointment, 925; opium in powder, 75.

ACTION AND THERAPEUTICS.

These fruits contain from 25 to 45 per cent. of tannin, and they may be used for the same purposes as other bodies which contain tannin (*see* p. 556). The fresh fruit is aperient and is often used for this property.

AJOWAN OIL.

Oilum Ajowan. *Synonym.* Pyclostis oil. The oil distilled from the fruit of *Carum copticum*.

CHARACTERS. Colourless, with an odour and taste resembling thyme. When cooled to 32° F. it should yield from 30 to 36 per cent. of crystalline thymol.

Dose, $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 m.

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