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PREFACE.

IN Order to obtain a proper Inſight into the Knowledge and Cure of Diſeaſes, it has always been found neceſſary for Students in Phyſick to propoſe to themſelves ſome Perſon eminent for Skill in his Profeſſion as their Pattern and Guide, by diligent Attendance on whoſe Practice to confirm Theory by Experience. Such Advantage the Author of theſe Sheets propoſed to himſelf, in remarking, from Time to Time through a Series of Years, the Effects of the ſeveral Re-

medies therein compiled, which Method of Proceeding afforded him the beſt Criterion of their Goodneſs. Many of the Preſcriptions being compoſed of Medicines prepared according to the old College Diſpenſatory, *as they are copied exactly with the reſt from the Doctor's genuine Recipes, and their Efficacy has been equally proved, it was thought fit to retain them, and preſent the ſame to the Publick as they are in the Originals.*

Nothing need be ſaid to prove the Authenticity of the Recipes, as no one, the leaſt uſed to peruſe Originals of the Kind, will have any Doubt concerning them; and others who have not had that Advantage, may eaſily ſatisfy themſelves by obtaining a Survey of ſuch, and making a proper Compariſon.

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