

enseigne la pratique de cét Art, sur les animaux, sur les vegetaux & sur les mineraux, sans la perte d'aucune des vertus essentielles qu' ils contiennent.—Tome Second. Qui contient la suite de la preparation des sucs qui se tirent des Vegetaux, comme aussi celle de leurs autres parties, & celle des Mineraux. A Paris, Chez Thomas Tolly, Libraire Juré, ruè S. Jacques, aux Armes d'Hollande. 1660. Auec Priuilege du Roy.

8vo. 2 vols. I : 14 leaves, pp. 1-510. II : title, pp. 510-1092, 9 leaves. Engraved frontispiece to vol. I and 8 double plates.

First Edition.

Ferguson (II, 17) gives the title incorrectly.

An excellent account of Lefèvre and the present work will be found in Read (Humour & Humanism in Chemistry, pp. 101 ff.).

Traicté de la Chimie . . . Qui servira d'Instruction & d'Introduction, tant pour l'intelligence des Autheurs . . . Corrigé de plusieurs fautes. Suivant la Copie imprimé à Paris. Et se vendent à Leyde, chez Arnoud Doude, Marchand Libraire proche l'Accademie, 1669.

12mo. 2 vols. I : 33 leaves, 556 pp. II : title, pp. 557-1216 pp., 11 leaves. An engraved frontispiece in each volume, and 8 folding plates.

Ferguson II, 17.

A Compleat Body Of Chymistry : Wherein is contained whatsoever is necessary for the attaining to the Curious Knowledge of this Art ; Comprehending in General the whole Practice thereof : and Teaching the most exact Preparation of Animals, Vegetables and Minerals, so as to preserve their essential Vertues. Laid open in two Books, and Dedicated to the Use of ail Apothecaries, &c. By Nicasius le Febure . . . Rendred into English, by P.D.C. Esq ; one of the Gentlemen of His Majesties Privy-Chamber London, Printed for O. Pulleyn Junior, and are to be sold by John Wright at the Sign of the Globe in Little Brittain, 1670.

4to. 2 parts in one volume. 6 leaves, 286 pp., 3 leaves, 320 pp., 4 leaves. With 8 engraved plates.

The second English edition. The author had been elected F.R.S. in 1663 and managed *the* laboratory of Charles II.

Ferguson II, 18.

## LE GALLOIS.

Conversations de l'Académie de Monsieur l'Abbé Bourdelot, contenant diverses Recherches, Observations, Expériences & Raisonnemens de Physique, Médecine, Chymie, et Mathématique, le tout recueilli par le Sr. Le Gallois, et le Parallèle de la Physique d'Aristote, et de celle de Mons. Des Cartes, lue dans la ladite Académie. A Paris, Chez Thomas Moette, au bas de la rue de la Harpe, à Saint Alexis. 1675.

12mo. 9 leaves, 76 + 350 pp.

This was one of the scientific Academies, which began to flourish so extensively at that period. The volume has a 76 page introduction on the history of scientific Academies, with a special section on those in Paris. The book contains conversations on many scientific subjects. On pp. 217-257 there is a discussion of gold as mined at Potosi; on p. 155 of sulphur.

Hofer (II, 273-4) and Brunet (III, 934) quote an edition of 1672, and the latter remarks " ne se trouve que difficilement ". Caillet (1540) quotes an edition of 1673.

For a very full account of the Academy of Bourdelot, the man himself and the present work see Brown (Scientific Organisation in XVII Century France, pp. 231-253).

## LE GRAND (Antoine).

Curiosus Rerum abditarum Naturaeq ; Arcanorum Perscrutator. Sive, Compendium rerum jucundarum, & memorabilium, in quo Naturae Arcana, multae rerum Sympathiae & Antipathiae, & Auctoris Observationes reserantur. Cum Indice locupletissimo. Norimberga Sumptibus Johannis Zigeri Bibliopolae, Typis Christophori Gerhardi, An. 1681.

8vo. Pp. 250, (22).

Apparently First Edition of a scarce and curious book of receipts and notes on medical, agricultural and other matters.

## LE MAIRE (Antoine).

Traité de L'Esprit De Sel Philosophique, dont fait Mention le Fameux Medecin Conrad Kunraths dans son Livre intitulé Medulla Distillatoria, Partie premiere page 59. Imprimé à Hambourg l'an 1638. Traduit de Latin en François. s.l.n.d. (1684).

4to. 20 pp.

Unrecorded by the bibliographers, this is a translation into French of a section of Conrad Khunrath's " Medulla Distillatoria ", q.v. on p. 318. The author claims to have made miraculous cures with this preparation and at the end is printed a poem in four languages on his tract.

## LE MAÎTRE (Alexandre Christian).

Der Astralische Geist Oder Der Balsam dess Lebens, Bewiesen In der Magnetischen Balsamischen Krafft dess Antimonialischen gereinigten Vitriols, Durch die Beyspiele der gantzen würckenden Natur. Von den wunderbahren Proben dess Sympatischen Pulvers, und dessen aufrichtigen Bereitung. An Tag geben durch Alexandrum Christianum le Maître, G.G.Q.v.O.I. Getruckt In Verlegung dess Authoris Im Jahr 1684.

12mo. 6 leaves, 174 pp.

Ferguson II, 20. No other references can be traced.

## LEMERY (Nicolas).

Cours De Chymie, Contenant La Maniere De Faire les Operations qui sont en usage dans la Medecine, par une Methode facile. Avec des raisonnemens sur chaque Operation, pour l'Instruction de ceux qui veulent s'appliquer à cette Science.. . . Seconde Edition. Revue, corrigée & augmentée par l'Autheur. A Paris, Chez l'Autheur, rue Galande, proche la Place Maubert. 1677.

12mo. 18 leaves (the first three blank), 584 pp., 8 leaves.

The second edition with the privilege dated 29th December 1676, and date 1676 at end. The first edition of the book appeared in 1675.

This edition is not mentioned by Ferguson.

Bolton I, 614.

Signature of P. Chofard on title and 15 fines in his autograph on last leaf.

Nicolas Lemery (1645-1715) was one of the most interesting men of his time. The pupil of an apothecary, he condemned the alchemistic mysteries which still cluttered Chemistry up and enjoyed teaching it in a simple way and illustrated by experiments in his own rooms. His lectures were

crowded and audiences included many ladies. In 1699 he became a member of the Académie des Sciences, and having been converted from Calvinism to Catholicism he was appointed to deliver lectures on chemistry to working people at that institution. This seems to be the only recorded occasion on which teaching was done at the Academy. Lemery was largely responsible for the love of chemical experiment which was so distinctive a characteristic of the XVIII Century and a very full account of him and the present work will be found in Read (*Humour and Humanism in Chemistry*, pp. 116 ff.).

An Appendix To A Course Of Chymistry. Being Additional Remarks To the former Operations. Together With The Process of the Volatile salt of Tartar, and some other Useful Preparations . . . Translated by Walter Harris Doctor of Physick. London, Printed for Walter Kettlby at the Bishop's Head in St. Paul's Church-Yard, 1680.

8vo. 8 leaves, 140 pp., 6 leaves index.

Bolton I, 614.

This forms the appendix to the English edition of 1677.

Modern Curiosities of Art & Nature. Extracted out of the Cabinets of the most Eminent Personages of the French Court. Together with the choicest Secrets in Mechanicks : communicated by the most approved Artists of France. Composed and Experimented by the Sieur Lemery Apothecary to the French King. Made English from the Original French. London, Printed for Matthew Gilliflower, at the Spread Eagle in Westminster-Hall, and James Partridge, at the Post-house between Charing-Cross and White-hall. 1685.

12mo. 22 11., 355 + (5) pp. With engraved frontispiece.

First English Edition.

Unknown to Ferguson (II, 21), who lists no edition anterior to 1711.

Curso Chymico del Doctor Nicolas Lemery, B.M.D.R.C. en el qual se enseña el modo de hazer las Operaciones mas usuales en la Medicina, con un Methodo facil, y con Reflexiones sobre cada Operacion, para la instruction de los que se quieren aplicar a esta Ciencia. Traducido del Idioma Frances en el Castellano, y añadido por Don Felix Palacios, Socio de la Regia Sociedad Medico-Chymica de Sevilla, y Boticario en esta Corte . . . En Madrid, Por Juan Garcia Infançon, Impessor de la Santa Cruzada Acosta de Florian Anison . . . Vendese en la Calle de las Carretas, frente la Estafeta de Toledo, 1703.

4to. 22 leaves + 492 pp. ± 18 leaves. 1 plate of chemical symbols and 7 plates showing apparatus. Not in Palau.

Cours de Chymie contenant la Manière de faire les Opérations qui sont en usage dans la Médecine par une Méthode facile . . . Dixième Edition, revue corrigée et augmentée par l'auteur. Lyon, Chez Claude Rey, Marchand Libraire, rue Mercière (1713 ?).

8vo. 8 leaves + 836 pp. 1 leaf. 7 full-page engravings and one plate of chemical symbols.

The date is misprinted MDDC III. Bolton gives 1713 for this edition, which is probably correct. Ferguson (II, 22) gives 1712.

Curso Chimico del Doctor Nicolas Lemery, en el qual se enseña el modo de hazer las Operaciones mas usuales de la Medicina, . . . Traducido del Idioma Frances en el Castellano y anadido por Don Felix Palacios . . . Y nuevamente ilustrado con un Florilegio Theorico-Practico Segundo Curso Chimico, por Don Joseph Assin y Palacios de Ongoz, Boticario Colegial del Antiguo Colegio de Boticarios de la Ciudad de Zaragoza. Dedicase al Doctor Don Matheo de Mendoza, Medico y Ciudadano de la Ciudad de Calatayud. En Zaragoza : Por Diego de Larumbe, Impessor, A costa de Joseph de Mendoza, Mercader de Libros, a la Plaza de Iusticia, 1710.

4to. 23 leaves ± 632 pp. ± 20 leaves index. With 5 plates of apparatus.

Not in Palau.

The second part containing the treatise on chemistry by Joseph Assin y Palacios has a separate title-page and begins at p. 471.

A Course of Chemistry : Containing An easie Method of Preparing those Chymical Medicines Which are used in Physick. With Curious Remarks upon each Preparation, for the Benefit of such as desire to be instructed in the Knowledge of this Art. The Fourth Edition. Translated from the Eleventh Edition in the French . . . London, Printed for A. Bell . . . 1720.

8vo. 16 + 543 pp. With 8 woodcut plates and 5 pp. of chemical symbols in the text. Frontispiece with an inset portrait.

The last English edition. Ferguson (II, 22) mentions English editions, but gives no details.

Cours de Chymie contenant La Manière de faire les Opérations qui sont en usage dans la Médecine, par une Méthode facile Nouvelle édition, corrigée et augmentée d'un grand nombre de Notes & de plusieurs préparations Chymiques qui sont aujourd'hui d'usage et dont il n'est fait aucune mention dans les éditions de l'auteur, par M. Baron. A Paris, Chez Jean-Thomas Hérisant, rue Saint Jacques à Saint Paul & à Saint Hilaire, 1756.

4to. 3 leaves, 23 + 945 pp. With 7 folding plates and 2 plates of chemical symbols. Vignette of a laboratory at beginning.

The last French edition.

Ferguson II, 22 (but no copy in the Young Collection).

#### LEMNIUS (Levinus).

Les Occultes Merveilles Et Secretz De Nature, avec plusieurs enseignemens des choses diverses tant par raison probable que par conjecture artificielle : exposées en deux livres de non moindre plaisir que proufit au lecteur studieux. Par Levin Lemne Medecin Zirizeen, & nouvellement traduit de Latin en François, par I.G.P. Avec deux tables, l'une des argumens des chapitres, l'autre des singulieres matieres d'iceux. A Orléans, Par Pierre Trepperel. 1568.

16mo. 18 leaves, 250 ff., 20 leaves index. Woodcut border to title.

The translator of this rare edition is Jacques Gohory (q.v.), author of "La Fontaine Périlleuse." See Ferguson (Books of Secrets, II, pp. 40-41). The first French edition had appeared the previous year in Paris.

Occulta naturae miracula. Wunderbarliche Geheimnisse der Natur in des Menschen leibe und Seel, auch in vielen andern natürlichen dingen, als Steinen, Erzt, Gewechs und Thieren. Allen frommen Hausswirthen, verständigen Hausfrawen, fleissigen Naturkündigern, guten Hausärzten, liebhabern der gesundtheit, und gemeinem Vaterland zum besten, nicht allein aus dem Latein in Deutsche Sprach gebracht, Sondern auch zum dritten mal vermehret, und eines grossen theils von newes selbs geschrieben, Durch Jacobum Horstium der freyen Künst und Artzney Doctorem. Leipzig. Cum Privilegio. 1592.

4to. 5 leaves, 629 pp., 15 leaves. Title-page in red and black, device at end.

A rare German edition of this well-known book on secrets, apparently the third in German. The edition is not listed by Ferguson (I, 24) or in his bibliography of Books of Secrets.

#### LEMOINE (Georges).

Études sur les Equilibres Chimiques. (Extrait de l'Encyclopédie chimique dirigée par M. Frémy.) Paris, Dunod, éditeur, 1881.

8vo. 330 pp.

From the library of Professor Smithells.

#### LEMONNIER (L. C.).

Cinq Années d'Études Pratiques sur les Eaux Minérales de Bagnères-de-Bigorre. Mémoire présenté, le 26 avril 1844, à la Société royale de médecine de Bordeaux, pour obtenir le titre de membre correspondant, par L. C. Lemonnier, Inspecteur Adjoint des Eaux Minérales de Bagnères-de-Bigorre . . . Bagnères et Bordeaux . . . 1845.

8vo. 65 pp. With two folding tables.

Bound with : (1) BERMOND, Eaux Minerales . . . q.v. (2) PETIT, Des Eaux Minerales, 1843 q.v. (3) Bonnafont (M.), Geographie Médicale d'Alger et de ses Environs, Alger, 1839.

#### LE MORT (Jakob).

Pharmacia Medico-Physica Rationibus & Experimentis Instructa. Accuratiore Methodo adornata. Nec non Observationibus Medicis illustrata. Londini, Prostat apud Abel Swalle, ad insigne Unicornis in Coemeterio D. Pauli, 1684.

and :

Chymia Medico-Physica, Rationibus et Experimentis Instructa, Brevi et facili via, Processus Spagyricos rite et Artificiose ad finem perducendi, normam exhibens. Cui annexa est, metallurgia Contracta, Succinctam Metallorum tractationem demonstrans. Lugduni Batavorum, Apud Petrum Van der Aa, 1684.

8vo. 2 works bound together. 14 leaves (including engraved frontispiece), 231 pp., 14 leaves index ; 4 leaves, 275 pp., 12 leaves index. 2 folding plates.

Ferguson II, 24-25, where the second work is cited, but not the first (except in the collected edition of 1696). Le Mort was Boerhaave's immediate predecessor in the chair of chemistry at Leyden.

Chymiae Verae Nobilitas & Utilitas, In Physica Corpusculari, Theoria Medica, Ejusque Materia et Signis, Ad majorem perfectionem deducendis. Comprehendens opera ejus omnia, hucusque typis commissa. Quibus seorsim excusa Collectanea, Maetsiana & Marcgraviana, Bibliopolae subjunxerunt. Lugduni Batavorum, Apud Fredericum Haaring, Cornelium Boutesteyn. 1696.

4to. 6 11. (1 blank), 150 pp., 8 11., 237 pp., 6 11., 173 pp., 11 11., 228 pp., 7 11. (2 blank). With 2 engraved plates showing apparatus.

First Edition.

Ferguson II, 24.

Bolton I, 616.

All the tracts in this important early handbook for pharmacists have separate signatures and pagination.

#### [LENGLET-DUFRESNOY (Abbé Nicolas)].

Histoire de la Philosophie Hermétique. Accompagnée d'un Catalogue raisonné des Ecrivains de cette Science. Avec le Véritable Philaethe ; revu sur les Originaux. A Paris, chez Nyon fils, Quai des Augustins, à l'Occasion. 1744.

Sm. 8vo. Three vols. Pp. (2 blank, 2), xxij, 486, (20) ; (2 blank, 2), xxij, 360 ; (2 blank, 24), 432.

Ferguson II, 25.

Caillet 6496.

This edition has the same contents as the first of 1742 : there were apparently two issues of the 1744 one as Caillet gives Barrois as the publisher instead of Nyon fils. " This credulous author includes among the alchemists, the sons of Moses, Cleopatra and Caligula. The bibliography is nevertheless useful, comprising one thousand authors ; his notes are often amusing ". (Bolton I, 131).

#### LENNHOFF (Eugen).

The Freemasons. The History, Nature, Development and Secret of the Royal Art . . . Translated by Einar Frame. London, Methuen, 1934.

8vo. 14 + 375 pp. 63 plates and 15 illustrations in text.

#### LEONARD (Jonathan Norton).

Crusaders of Chemistry. Six Makers of the Modern World. New York, Doubleday, 1930.

8vo. 5 leaves ± 307 pp. 8 plates.

Contains chapters on Lavoisier, Priestley, Flamel, Roger Bacon, Paracelsus and Boyle.

#### LEONARDUS (Camillus).

Speculum Lapidum Camilli Leonardi. Cui accessit Sympathia Septem Metallorum ac septem selectorum Lapidum ad Planetas. D. Petri Arlensis de Scudalupis Presbyteri

Hierosolimitani. Parisiis, Apud Carolum Seuestre, & Davidem Gilliù via jacobaea e regione Mathurinorù. Et Joannem Petitpas, via D. Joâ. Lateran. in collegio Cameracensi. 1610.

8vo. Pp. (44), 499, (1 blank, 36). With engraved title, portrait of the Duc de Nivernois and of Petrus Arlensis, both engraved by Thomas de Leu, a curious full-page woodcut on page 259, and another woodcut on page 458.

Ferguson II, 26-27, 184. The tract of Petrus Arlensis is apparently in first edition. Caillet 6544: " L'ouvrage d' Arlensis célèbre astrologue italien, est des plus rares car presque tous les exemplaires furent supprimés a l'époque, pour ne pas divulguer les grands secrets qu'il renferme." A splendid copy, bound for the famous bibliophile J. A. De Thou (1553-1617) in brown morocco, with his arms, incorporating those of his second wife, on each cover, and with his monogram repeated 5 times on back, gilt edges.

Speculum Lapidum, et D. Petri Arlensis de Scudalupis, Presbyteri Hierosolymitani, Sympathia septem Metallorum ac septem selectorum Lapidum ad Planetas. Accedit Magia Astrologica Petri Constantii Albinii Villanovensis. Hamburgi Apud Christianum Liebezeit, 1717.

8vo. Pp. (16 including portrait of the author), 390, 84, (36, 2 blank). With engraved vignette on title and woodcuts at pages 198 and 357.

Ferguson II, 27 (the Young Collection has no copy of this edition). This is the first edition containing the " Magia Astrologica or Clavis Sympathiae septem Metallorum" by Albinus, which first appeared at Paris in 1611 (q.v.) It has its own title-page (dated 1716) and separate pagination. This copy is of special interest for having the engraved bookplate of Friedrich Roth-Scholtz, the celebrated author of " Bibliotheca Chemica " and " Deutsches Theatrum Chemicum."

The Mirror of Stones : in which the Nature, Generation, Properties, Virtues and various Species of more than 200 different Jewels, precious and rare Stones, are distinctly described. Also certain and infallible rules to know the good from the bad, how to prove their genuineness and to distinguish the real from the counterfeits. Extracted from the works of Aristotle, Pliny, Isidorus, Dionysius Alexandrinus, Albertus Magnus, by Camillus Leonardus, M.D. A Treatise of infinite use not only to Jewellers, Lapidaries and Mer-chants who trade in them but to the Nobility and Gentry who purchase them either for Curiosity, Use or Ornament. Dedicated by the author to Caesar Borgia. Now first translated into English. London, Printed for J. Freeman in Fleetstreet, 1750.

8vo. 240 pp.

Ferguson II, 17 (but no copy in the Young Collection). The English version of the famous Speculum Lapidum, first published in 1502. Book III relating to engraved stones was omitted from this edition.

#### LEONHARD VON ALTENBURG.

Delarvatio Tincturae Philosophorum, das ist : Kurtze und einfältige Erklärung des Lapidis Benedicti, worinnen die Hieroglyphica Nomina Philosophorum obscura, welche die Philosophi aenigmatisch beschrieben, klar und deutlich gemachet, durch einen der wahren Philosophie Liebhabern entdeckt und erkläret, der in der Wahrheit Genuine Feuer-Arbeit Liebet, und da es wohl heissen mag, Aut hic, aut nusquam. Ober-und Nieder-Wasserberg, gedruckt durch Mercurium Schwefelmann. 1747,

8vo. Pp. (16), 94, (10).

First Edition.  
Ferguson II, 27 (the Young Collection only had the 1769 edition.  
Caillet 2905.

#### LE PELLETIER (Jean).

L'Alkaest ou le Dissolvant Universel de Van-Helmont, Revelé dans plusieurs Traitez qui en découvrent le Secret. A Rouen, Chez Guillaume Behourt, vis-à-vis la Fontaine de S. Lo, à la Ville de Venise. 1704. Avec Aprobation & Permission.

12mo. Pp. (4), 256, (4).

Bound with :

L'Art ou la Maniere De Volatiliser Les Alcalis, & d'en préparer des Remedes Succédanées ou aprochans de ceux que l'on peut préparer par l'Alkaest, tirez des Ouvrages de Starkey. A Rouen, Chez Guillaume Behourt, vis-à-vis la Fontaine Saint Lo, à la Ville de Venise. 1706. Avec Aprobation & Permission.

12mo. Pp. (2), 200, (2).

Together 2 works in 1 vol. 12mo.  
Ferguson II, 402 (only the second work was in the Young Collection).  
Caillet 6550.

This is the first edition of the two works, the second work being the continuation of the first one. They both contain extracts of the writings of Eirenaeus Philaletha and especially of George Starkey, translated into French by Le Pelletier, who also wrote a long and interesting preface to each work. The preface to the second work is a biography of Starkey. Here is a detailed list of the contents of the two volumes :

I. P. 1-106 : Préface (par Le Pelletier).

P. 107-124: Plusieurs Passages tirez des Ouvrages Anglois de Philalethe où il parle de l'Alkaest, & mis en François.

P. 125-137 : Le Secret de la Liqueur Immortelle ou de l'Alkaest. Ecrit en Latin & en Anglois. Par Eirenaeus Philaletha, & traduit en François.

P.138-187 : Les 9. 10. 11. 12. & 13. Chapitres de la Seconde Partie de la Pyrotechnie prouvée, de Georges Starkey, Traduits d'Anglois en François : où l'Auteur traite de l'usage & de la découverte du Secret de la Liqueur immortelle de Van-Helmont.

P.189-231 : Liquor Alkaest ou Discours touchant le dissolvant immortel de Paracelse et de Van-Helmont. Ecrit en Anglois par George Starkey, publié par J. Astel à Londres en 1675, après la mort de Starkey, & Traduit en François.

P. 232-256 : Réflexions sur la manière de faire l'Alkaest, que Starkey décrit dans les Traitez précédens (par Le Pelletier).

II. P.1-52 : Préface (par Le Pelletier).

P. 53-79 : Extraits du Traité " Explication de la Nature, & Deffense de Van-Helmont " écrit en Anglois par George Starkey, & Traduit en François.

P. 80-176 : Traduction Française des II. III. & IV. Chapitres, & de l'Extrait de la Conclusion de la Troisième Partie de la Pyrotechnie prouvée & éclaircie de Georges Starkey

P. 177-200: Recipes by Starkey, Daniel Coxe, and van Helmont the Younger.

#### LE ROI (Charles).

De Aquarum Mineralium Natura et Usu Propositiones Praelectionibus Academicis Accomodatae. Editio Altera. Mospelii, Apud August. Franciscum Rochard .. . 1762.

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