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Encyclopédie Pratique, Ou Etablissement De Grand Nombre De Manufactures.
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WACKENRODER (Heinrich Wilhelm Ferdinand).

Historische Skizze der Alchemie. I. Periode, von den ältesten Zeiten bis zum
Anfang des achtzehnten Jahrhunderts. II. Periode, vom Anfang des achtzehnten
Jahrhunderts bis auf unsere Zeit. Abdruck aus dem Archiv der Pharmacie des
Apothekervereins in Norddeutschland, 2te Reihe, Band 15 (and 19). Lemgo, 1838
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8vo. 2 parts in one vol. Title + 27 pp., title + 26 pp.

Kopp, Alchemie, II, 190. Very scarce.

WAGMANN (Frederick Herbert).

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Forms of the later Seventeenth Century. New York, University of Columbia Press.
1942.

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Lives of Alchemystical Philosophers based on Material collected in 1815 and
supplemented by Recent Researches. With a Philosophical Demonstration of the
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Alchemy and Hermetic Philosophy. London, George Redway. . . . 1888.

8vo. 315 pp.

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Generation of the Son of the Sun, and die Alchemical Transfiguration of
Humanity. London, Theosophical Publishing Society . . . and New York . . .
Madras. 1893.

Large 8vo. 16 + 239 pp.

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W. Rider & Son. 1914,

8vo. 2 leaves, 4 211 pp.

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The Hermetic and Alchemical Writings of Aureolus Philippus Theophrastus Bombast, of Hohenheim, called Paracelsus The Great, now for the first time faithfully translated into English. Edited with a biographical preface, elucidatory notes, a copious hermetic vocabulary and index by Arthur Edward Waite. Volume I. Hermetic Chemistry. Volume II. Hermetic Medicine and Hermetic Philosophy. London, James Elliot. 1924.

Large 4to. 2 vols. I : 16 + 394 pp. II : 8 + 396 pp.

WALEY (Arthur).

The Travels of An Alchemist. The Journey of the Taoist Ch'Ang Ch'Un from China to the Hindukush at The Summons of Chingiz Khan. Recorded by his Disciple Li ChihCh'Ang. Translated with an Introduction by Arthur Waley. London, G. Routledge & Sons Ltd. 1931.

8vo. 11 + 166 pp. With a map.

WALKER (Joshua).

An Essay on the Waters of Harrogate and Thorp-Arch In Yorkshire ; Containing some Directions for their Use in Diseases. To Which Are Prefixed, Observations on Mineral Waters in general, And The Method of analysing them. London : Printed for J. Johnson ... 1784.

8vo. viii + 208 pp.

First Edition.
Waring, p.
792.

WALL (J.).

Experiments, and Observations on the Malvern Waters. The second edition, with an Appendix, containing some farther particulars Relating to their Nature and Uses, illustrated with Several Histories of their Effects. London & Worcester. (1757).

8vo. Half-title + 77

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WALL (Martin).

A Syllabus of a Course of Lectures in Chemistry. By Martin Wall. M.D, Public Reader in Chemistry. Oxford : Printed for D. Prince and J. Cooke. 1782.

8vo. 2 leaves + 63 pp.

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8vo. 17 + 166 pp. advertisement leaf.

Contains 3 essays : I. On the Study of Chemistry. II. On the Origin and Use of Symbols in Astronomy and Chemistry. III. On the Diseases prevalent in the South Sea Islands.

WALLERIUS (Johan Gottskalk).

De l'Origine Du Monde, et de la Terre en Particulier ; Ouvrage dans lequel l'Auteur développe ses Principes de Chymie & de Minéralogie, et donne, en quelque manière, un abrégé de tous ses Ouvrages : Par M. Wallérius.. . Traduit par M. J. B. D. A Varsovie, Et se trouve à Paris, Chez J. Fr. Bastien.... 1780.

12mo. 100 + 360 pp. 1 plate.

Hoefler II, 426-7.

Ferguson (II, 528-9 ; but lists no individual works by this author).

In the long preface by the translator (J. B. Dubois) there are discussions of the theories of Woodward, Whitehurst, Buffon, Leibnitz, Newton, Steno and others on mineralogy.

WALLICH (Dorothea Juliana).

I. Das Mineralische Gluten, Doppelter Schlangen-Stab, Mercurius Philosophorum, Langer und kurtzer Weg Zur Universal-Tinctur. Deutlich und klärlich entdeckt und angewiesen Durch D. I. W. von Weimar aus Thüringen. Franckfurt und Leipzig, Verlegts Georg Christoph Wintzer. 1722.

8vo. Pp. 88. Folding leaf with diagram extra.

II. Der Philosophische Perl-Baum, Das Gewächse der drey Principien, Zu deutlicher Erklärung des Stemm der Weisen, Wie er mit seinen Würtzeln in der äussern und finstern Welt, mit seiner Blüthe aber in der Paradiesischen- und Licht-Welt, und mit seiner reiffen Frucht in der Englischen und Himmlischen Welt stehet und wächst. Beschrieben durch D. I. W. von Weimar aus Thüringen. Franckfurt und Leipzig, Verlegts Georg Christoph Wintzer. 1722.

8vo. Pp. 150.

III. Schlüssel zu dem Cabinet der geheimen Schatz-Kammer der Natur, zu Such-und Findung des Stemm der Weisen, durch Fragen und Antwort gestellet, verfertigt und der Welt gezeigt durch D. I. W. von Weimar aus Thüringen. Franckfurt und Leipzig, Verlegts Georg Christoph Wintzer. 1722.

8vo. Pp. 224.

Together 3 parts in 1 vol.

Ferguson II, 525-526.

Schmieder, p. 513.

Kopp, Alchemie, pp. 364 and 379.

One of the very few alchemical books written by a woman adept.

A fine copy from the library of Thomas South, with his book-plate, the autograph of A J & M Atwood, and the stamp of A. P. Sinnett (president of the Theosophical Society, to whom Mrs. Atwood left most of her books).

WARING (Edward John).

Bibliotheca Therapeutica, or Bibliography of Therapeutics, chiefly in reference to Articles of the Materia Medica, with numerous critical, historical and therapeutical annotations and an appendix containing the Bibliography of British Mineral Waters. London, New Sydenham Society. 1878.

8vo. 2 vols. I : 20 + 427 pp. II : 4 leaves, pp. 428-933,

WASSERBERG (Franz August Xaver von).

Chemische Abhandlung vom Schwefel. Wien, bey Johann Paul Krauss. 1788.

8vo. 375 pp.

Bolton I, 1065.

An account of the contents of this book (with a reproduction of the title-page) is given in *Ciba-Zeitschrift* (No. 98, June 1945, page 3501).

WATSON (Richard).

Institutionum Chemicarum In Praelectionibus Academicis Explicatarum Pars Metallurgica. Cantabrigiae, Typis Academicis Excudebat J. Archdeacon. 1768.

8vo. 4 leaves ± 58 pp.

According to the D.N.B. this work, although printed, was not published. It formed the text-book for part of the author's course on chemistry. He had been appointed professor of chemistry at Cambridge in 1764 when he knew nothing about the subject, but after 14 months intensive studies he began his lectures which were well attended. He made several discoveries and left some important chemical papers, collected in his *Chemical Essays*, q.v.

An Essay on the Subjects of Chemistry and their General Division. Cambridge, Printed by J. Archdeacon, Printer to the University. 1771.

8vo. Title + 43 pp.

Bolton I, 904.

Chemical Essays. Cambridge, Printed by J. Archdeacon, Printer to the University. 1781-1783-1786.

12mo. 4 vols. I : 6 leaves, 349 pp. II : 2 leaves, 368 pp. III : 4 leaves, 376 pp. IV : 12 leaves, 354 pp., 25 leaves index.

First Edition (vol. III second edition). A fifth volume was published in 1789.

Hoefler II, 361.

Kopp, *Chemie*, II, 398.

Bolton I, 904.

WEBER (Jakob Andreas).

Vollständige theoretische und praktische Abhandlung von dem Salpeter, und der Zeugung desselben, nebst einer Abhandlung von der Gährung, durch physische und chemische Grundsätze und Erfahrungen bestätigt. Tübingen, bey Jacob Friedrich Heerbrandt. 1779.

8vo. 362 pp.

Bolton I, 906.

Ferguson (II, 531); but no copy in the Young collection.

Anmerkungen über die Saimnungen von den Nachrichten und Beobachtungen über die Zeugung des Salpeter von A. J. Weber, nebst einem Sendschreiben über dessen theoretische und praktische Abhandlung von dem Salpeterzeugen, von Z. Winzler. Tübingen, J. Fr. Heerbrandt. 1780,

8vo. 120 pp.

This tract is mentioned neither by Ferguson nor Bolton.

At the end is bound :

STOLL (Max). *Ueber die Einrichtung der öffentlichen Krankenhäuser*, herausgegeben von G. A. von Beeckhen, Vienna. 1788.

WEBER (Joseph).

Ueber das Feuer. Ein Beitrag zu einem Unterrichtsbuche aus der Naturlehre, von Joseph Weber, Lehrer der Physik an der hohen Schule zu Dillingen. Landshut im Verlag, bei Anton Weber Hofbuchbinder. Lauingen gedruckt, bei Joachim Speck, pfalzbaierischer Buchdrucker. 1788.

8vo. 4 leaves, 216 pp. 1 folding plate.

An interesting theory of heat and light, based on the author's "Feuerstoff" (calorie). In the section on light the author treats at length of its influence on plants, referring to Ingen-housz, and minerals.

The work is rare and remained unknown to Poggendorff, Bolton and to the author's biographer in the *Allgemeine Deutsche Biographie*.

WEBSTER (John).

Metallographia : Or, An History of Metals. Wherein is declared the signs of Ores and Minerals both before and after digging, the causes and manner of their generations, their kinds, sorts, and differences ; with the description of sundry new Metals or Semi Metals, and many other things pertaining to Mineral knowledge. As also, The handling and shewing of their Vegetability, and the discussion of the most difficult Questions belonging to Mystical Chymistry, as of the Philosophers Gold, their Mercury, the Liquor Alkahest, Aurum Potabile, and such like. Gathered forth of the most approved Authors that have written in Greek, Latine, or High-Dutch ; With some Observations and Discoveries of the Author himself London, Printed by A. C. for Walter Kettilby at the Bishops-head in St. Pauls Church-yard. 1671.

4to. 8 leaves, 388 pp. 1 leaf advertisement.

Ferguson II, 531-2. Bolton I, 907.

WEBSTER (John).

Elements of Mechanical and Chemical Philosophy. Taunton, Printed for the author by J. Poole. (1816).

8vo. 3 leaves, 386 pp.

Pages 349-386 contain a short history of science and chemistry. No author can be found, he was probably a local man. In the preface published by him on similar subjects.

WECKER (Johann Jacob).

Ein nützliches Büchlein von mancherley künstlichen wasserren, Men, und weinen, jetzt neuwlich in Teutsch gebracht, durch Doctor Hans Jacob Wecker, Statt artzet zu Colmar. Getruckt zu Basel, bey Peter Perna. 1570.

8vo. 8 leaves, 127 pp.

First Edition.

Ferguson II, 534, but the earliest edition in the Young collection is that of 1616. Ferguson, Books of Secrets, part III, N.S. I, 1890, p. 223.

De Secretis Libri XVII. Ex varijs authoribus collecti, methodice digesti. Per Ioannem Iacobum Weckerum Basiliensem, Medicum Colmariensem. Accessit Index locupletissimus. Cuir). Gratia et Privilegio. Basileae s.n. (Apud Petrum Pernam ?), 1582.

8vo. 24 leaves, 962 pp. Woodcuts in text.

The very rare First Edition. Ferguson had not seen it, but refers to it and in his Books of Secrets (suppl. III, p. 390) he describes another edition of the same year, which differs from mine. The present edition is not recorded by him ; it is, however, the earliest in the British Museum library and it will be practically impossible to establish which of these two issues was actually printed first. but Ferguson suggests that there was one earlier edition than the one he describes, which would make it appear that the present one is the first. The title-page of my copy is damaged, the text of the title has been cut out and mounted on old paper, so that the printer's device and the imprint are missing ; otherwise it is a good copy of a book of miscellaneous secrets, drawn from a variety of named authorities, which had a great vogue.

Antidotarium Geminum, Generale et Speciale : A Ioan. Jacobo Weckero Basiliense Ex Opt. Authorum, tam veterum quam recentiorum, scriptis fideliter congestum, & tandem methodice, supra priores editiones, uberrime auctum, conjunctim editum, & exornatum : Adjectis Elenchis locupletiss. Basileae, Per Conr. Waldkirch, sumptibus Episcopianorum. 1595.

8vo. 8 leaves + 222 columns -1- 4 leaves ; 4 leaves 1186 columns + 15 leaves index. On col. 151-184 there are a number of woodcuts showing apparatus and experiments.

First Edition.

Ferguson II, 534.

" This work is a companion volume to the author's De Secretis,' and treats almost exclusively of chemical and medical secrets and preparations. Of special interest is the general part, which gives instructions how to conduct chemical operations, and illustrates a large variety of distilling apparatus. The work . is much rarer than De Secretis,' having been unknown to Poggendorff, Brunet, Ebert, and other bibliographers." (Zeitlinger.)

Antidotarium Generale et Speciale : Ex opt. Authorum tam veterum quam recentiorum scriptis fideliter & methodicè à Ioan. Iacobo Weckero Basiliense congestum & dispositum : Nunc verà supra priores editiones omnes multis nouis & optimis Formulis, maxime verè Extractis auctum : Adiectis Indicibus locupletissimis. Basileae, Per Conr. Waldkirch, sumptibus Episcopianorum. 1601.

4to. Pp. (15, 1 blank), columns 222, pp. (4, 1 blank). Antidotarium Speciale (with separate title-page : Pp. (12), columns 1210, pp. (29, 2 blank). With woodcuts of stills, &c.

Ferguson (II, 533-34) does not quote this edition.

Le Grand Dispensaire, ou Thresor General et Particulier Des Preservatifs, Ramassé et Dressé par Ian laques Wecker D.M. Et Depuis Descouvert Aux François Et Enrichi (l'annotations en suite du texte, de notes en marge, de plusieurs compositions obmises

par l'auteur, & d'une infinité de rares secrets puisés dans les plus claires sources de la Chymie. Plus d'une methode briefve et facile d'extraire les facultez des medicaments purgatifs, & de changer les formes tant des metaux, que des mineraux, en sorte qu'on les puisse appliquer par dehors, & faire prendre par la bouche sans courir le risque de la nuisance qu'ils apportent ordinairement quand on les met en usage tous entiers. Le tout par Ian Du Val D.M. D'Yssouldun. A Genève, Par Estienne Gamonet. 1609.

4to. 8 leaves, 286 columns (lacks sig. P 2 and 3 (col. 229-236)); 8 leaves, 1336 columns. Some woodcuts of distilling apparatus.

This is a different work to the same author's book of secrets, though it treats of very similar subjects. At the beginning there is a section on chemical operations in general, with illustrations. Unknown to the usual authorities.

De Secretis Libri XVII. Ex variis Authoribus collecti, methodiceque digesti, & aucti . . . Basileae, Typis Conradi Waldkirchii, sumptibus Ludovici König. 1613.

8vo. 8 leaves, 667 pp., 13 leaves. Ferguson, Books of Secrets, pt. II, p. 62.

Les Secrets et Merveilles de Nature. Recueillies de divers Auteurs, & divisees en XVII. livres. . . . Reueu, corrigé, & augmenté. Avec une Table très-ample. A Rouen, Chez Jean Osmont, dans la Court du Palais. 1614.

8vo. 8 leaves, 858 pp., 23 leaves.

Numerous editions are mentioned by both Ferguson and Caillet, but not this one.

Eighteen Books of the Secrets of Art & Nature, Being The Summe and Substance of Naturall Philosophy, Methodically Digested. First designed by John Wecker Dr. in Physick, and now much Augmented and Inlarged by Dr. R. Read. A like work never before in the English Tongue. London, Printed for Simon Miller at the Starre in St. Pauls Church-yard. 1660.

Folio. 4 leaves, 346 pp., 6 leaves index. Some woodcuts.

First English Edition.

Ferguson II, 534 and Books of Secrets N.S. I, 40.

De Secretis Libri XVII. Ex variis Auctoribus collecti, methodice digesti, Atque Tertia hac Editione Non solum ab innumeris mendis, Obscuritateque purgati, sed & Theodori Zvingeri Philos. & Medic. Basiliens. Additionibus e Pharmacia & Chymia Utilissimis aucti. Accessit Index locupletissimus. Basileae, Impensis Johan. Ludovici Typis Joh. Conradi à Mechel. Ann. 1701.

8vo. 6 leaves, 764 pp., 19 leaves (the last three blank). Several woodcuts. Ferguson, Books of Secrets, I, 13.

WEDEL (Georg Wolfgang).

Specimen Experimenti Chymici Novi, De Sale Volatili Plantarum, quo demonstratur, posse ex plantis modo peculiari parari Sal volatile verum et genuinum. Erancofurti, Sumpt. Haered. Shurerianorum & Joh. Fritzschi, anno 1672.

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