

The following valuable article relative to the cure of Putrid Fevers by yeast, is selected from the London Courier of the 30th March.

PUTRID FEVERS.

A Scotch paper contains the following article relative to the cure of this terrible malady by yeast. The account is given in a letter written by the Rev. Dr. Cartwright, which cannot be too extensively communicated, since it points out a new resource for the preservation of human life.

"Seventeen years ago, I went (says this benevolent clergyman) to reside at Brampton, a populous village near Cheltenham. I had not been there many months before a putrid fever broke out among us. Finding by far the greater number of my parishioners too poor to afford themselves medical assistance, I undertook, by the help of such books on the subject of medicine as were in my possession, to prescribe for them. I early attended a boy about fourteen years of age, who was attacked by the fever: He had not been ill many days before the symptoms were unequivocally putrid; I then administered bark, wine, and such other remedies as my books directed. My exertions were however of no avail; his disorder grew every day more untractable and malignant, so that I was in hourly expectation of his dissolution. Being under the necessity of taking a journey, before I set off I went to see him, as I thought for the last time, and I prepared his parents for the event of his death, which I considered as inevitable, and reconciled them in the best manner I was able, to a loss which I knew they would feel severely. While I was in conversation on this distressing subject with his mother, I observed, in a small corner of the room a tub of wort working. The sight brought to my recollection an experiment I had some where met with, 'of a piece of putrid meat being made sweet by being suspended over a tub of wort in the act of fermentation.' The idea flashed into my mind, that the yeast might correct the putrid nature of the disease, and I instantly gave him two large spoonfuls. I then told the mother, if she found her son better, to repeat the dose every three hours. I then set out for my journey; upon my return, after a few days, I anxiously enquired after the boy, and was informed he was recovered. I could not repress my curiosity, though I was greatly fatigued with my journey, and night was come on; I went directly to where he lived, which was three miles off, in a wild part of the moors. The boy opened the door, looked surprisngly well, and told me he felt better from the instant he took the yeast.

"After I left Brampton, I lived in Leicestershire. My parishioners being there few and opulent, I dropped the medical character entirely, and would not prescribe for my own family. One of my domestics falling ill, accordingly the apothecary was sent for. His complaint a violent fever, which in its progress became putrid. Having great reliance, and deservedly, on the apothecary's penetration and judgment, the man was left solely to his management. His disorder, however, kept only gaining ground, till at length the apothecary considered him in very great danger. At last, finding every effort to be of service to him baffled, he told me he considered it to be a lost case, and that the man could not survive twenty-four hours. On the apothecary thus giving him up, I determined to try the effects of yeast; I gave him two large spoonfuls, and in 15 minutes from his taking the yeast, his pulse, though still feeble, began to get composed and full. He, in 32 minutes from his taking it, was able to get up from his bed and walk in his room. At the expiration of the 2d hour, I gave him a balon of fago, with a good deal of lemon, wine and ginger in it; he ate it with an appetite; in another hour I repeated the yeast; an hour afterwards I gave the bark as before; at the next hour he had food; next had another dose of yeast, and then went to bed; it was

nine o'clock; he told me he had a good night's rest, and was recovered. I however repeated the medicine, and he was soon able to go about his business as usual.

"About a year after this, as I was riding past a detached farm house, at the outskirts of the village, I observed a farmer's daughter standing at the door, apparently in great affliction. On enquiring into the cause of her distress, she told me her father was dying. I dismounted, and went into the house to see him; I found him in the last stage of a putrid fever. His tongue was black, his pulse was scarcely perceptible, and he lay stretched out like a corpse in a state of drowsy insensibility. I immediately procured some yeast, which I diluted with water, and poured down his throat; I then left him with little hopes of recovery. I returned, however in about two hours, and found him sensible and able to converse; I then gave him a dose of bark; he afterwards took, at a proper interval, some refreshment. I staid with him till he repeated the yeast, and then left him with directions how to proceed; I called upon him the next morning at nine o'clock; I found him apparently well, and walking in his garden. He was an old man upwards of 70.

"I have since administered the yeast to above 50 persons labouring under putrid fevers; and what is singular (continues this benevolent man) I have not lost a patient."

The above has been handed to us by a gentleman in this city, who has lost two children by the fever which has been so prevalent and fatal of late. He had a third child who was taken ill, and this prescription having come to his knowledge, he made the experiment, which was happily crowned with success. We shall be happy to record farther proofs of its efficacy.

Edinburgh, March 1799.

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PROPOSALS in writing will be received at this office until the 15th day of June, from any person or persons who will contract with the United States, to furnish any quantity of provisions, fuel and straw, that may be required for the troops thereof, that are or may be at Occoock; Fayetteville, Salisbury and Charlotte, or at any other post or place, recruiting rendezvous or encampment within the State of North Carolina, the residue of the current year, 1799, Wilmington & Fort Johnston excepted.

The rations as established by law, consists of eighteen ounces of flour or bread, or when neither can be obtained, one quart of rice or one pound and an half of sifted or bolted indian meal, one pound and a quarter of fresh beef, or one pound of salted beef, or three quarters of a pound of salted pork; and when fresh meat is issued, salt at the rate of two quarts to every hundred rations, soap at the rate of four pounds, and candles at the rate of one pound and a half for every hundred rations. And when required, the contractor is to furnish ardent spirits at the rate of half a gill to every ration, and vinegar at the rate of two quarts for every hundred rations. The proposal will stipulate the price of the several component parts of a ration, as well as those of the alternatives for parts thereof.

As it is reasonable that the proposer should be governed in his price by the quantity daily issued at any post or place, it is expected that he will stipulate a price for any number of rations issued daily at any post or place not exceeding fifty, at any post or place not exceeding from fifty to one hundred daily, at any post or place not exceeding from one hundred to two hundred daily, and at any post or place not exceeding from two hundred to four hundred daily.

Preference will be given to a general contract as already mentioned; notwithstanding, persons inclined to contract for special districts, are invited to make proposals.

Bond and sufficient security will be required for the punctual compliance with the engagement. G. J. M'REE,

Agent War Department.

Custom-House, Wilmington, May 2, 1799.

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July 13th.

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July 13.

The Subscriber

INTENDS leaving this place for some time;—he therefore requests all persons indebted to him, to call and settle their accounts before the first day of August next, otherwise they will be put (indiscriminately) into the hands of an attorney. He will also sell or lett, for a term of years, half the lot No. 227, and half the lot No. 228, with the improvements thereon, and the house and lease whereon he now lives. Wm. LOCKHART.

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YOUNG men of good character, who are willing to serve their country have now an opportunity to enter into the marine corps of the United States, & will be received into immediate service on application to me, in Newbern.

Each man will immediately receive two dollars, being part of his first month's pay. In addition to the monthly pay, great advantage may arise from prize money; the captors being intitled to the one half of American vessels retaken, and a proportionable part of foreign vessels captured and legally condemned—so that it will be the interest of any young man who hath spirit to serve his country and obtain the true military character of a patriot.

The rations established by law, consists of eighteen ounces of flour or bread, or when neither can be obtained, one quart of rice or one of meal, one pound and a quarter of fresh beef, or one pound of salted beef, or three quarters of a pound of salted pork; and when fresh meat is issued, salt at the rate of two quarts to every hundred rations, soap at the rate of four pounds and candles at the rate of one pound and an half for every hundred rations.

Each man will be allowed yearly, one coat, one vest, one hat, two pair woollen & two pair linen overalls; four shirts, four socks, four pair of shoes, one blanket, one stock & clasp.

All enlistments will be made for three years, & none will be received but natives between the ages of eighteen and forty; foreigners, however, may be admitted as Drummers, or fifers. To these a bounty will be allowed proportioned to their skill & merit.

Lieut. JOHN HOWARD, Jun. June 29.

15 Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, on the 12th day of March last, a negro fellow by the name of JACK; he is of a dark complexion, likewise short and well set—by trade a Butcher. Any person that will apprehend and secure the same, so that I may get him again, shall receive the above reward. As he has relations down about Bath, and a wife in Washington, belonging to the estate of Mr. Stephen Cambreng, dec. it is very possible that he may be lurking about these places.

JAMES R. EMERY.

May 11.

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