

# TINCTURA VERATRI COMPOSITA.

## *Compound Tincture of Veratrum.*

This tincture is an alterative, antispasmodic, antiasthmatic, narcotic, deobstruent, diuretic, and a diaphoretic.

It is used in pains in the breast, asthma, locked jaw, nervous diseases, periodical fits, convulsions, spasms, St. Vitus' dance, rheumatic pains, tic-douloureux, gout sciatic pains, mania, periodical headache, hysterical affections, colic, and tremors.

Directions for using this Tincture.

A dose may be taken an hour before going to rest at night. A child under ten years old is to begin with one drop, and increase one drop every night; a child from ten to fifteen years old, with two, and increase two; a person from fifteen to eighteen, with three, and increase three; a person over eighteen, with five, and increase five. Increasing the dose every night, until it produces sleepiness or a blindness, or until a qualmishness of the stomach is observed, the dose that produces these effects is to be taken as long as these effects are produced. Whenever it loses its effects, the dose may be enlarged, or it may be taken twice in twenty four hours.

This tincture should be taken several months, or until all apprehension of a recurrence of the disease is removed.

Each dose may be taken in a small quantity of fresh water: and some water may be drank to remove the acrid taste.

Should the bowels become too loose, the tincture may be omitted a few days; and if they should become costive, or there be much acid on the stomach, a dose of magnesia, or some other purgative, may be taken: during which time, this tincture is not to be used.

In all inflammatory complaints, this tincture is not to be taken, until the inflammatory symptoms are first removed by suitable remedies.

While using this tincture, it is not necessary to refrain from a regular diet or drink, except partaking ardent spirits, cider, and beer.

This tincture is prepared only in New-Market, Shenandoah, Virginia, by

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