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Receipt for the Seatica.

A Soveraign plaister Called the sock plaister

Take bees wax, black rosin, burgandy pitch of each two ounces bruise the rosin & ston pitch, slice the wax & burgandy pitch & melt *them* altogether in an earthen pig over a gentile fire continoually stirring *them* till they are all melted & mixed together, than take it off the fire & disolve in it about the bignes of a walnut of fresh butter & steir it till it be cold

When yow use it spread some of it thick upon leather & lay it upon the sole of the foot (on *that* side the pain is) so *that* it neither touch the heell nor the toe, Keep it on 15 days with a sock sued on your foot, than put on a fresh plaister continued about 5 weeks *that* is untill all the plaister which this proportion maks be don. if yow find the plaister leavs off cleaving fast to your foot in ten or 12 days yow may renew it than. if after one application or two yow find the skin of your sole peell off it is so much the better for it will give yow no pain, yow must keep dry foot without any other dyet Sir

This plaister was prescribed for the seaticka but the gout & it are of so many a nigh a kindred *that* I am hopefull yow will find ease by it which will be very good news to Sir your own seid M mosay

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