

through loss of blood, and apply the same, mixed with honey and rosin, to the wounds. As also, the roots boiled in wine, for hurts, bruises, falls, blows, sprains, or disjointed limbs, or any swelling pain, or ache in the muscles, sinews, or arteries. The mucilage of the roots, and of linseed and fenugreek put together, is much used in poultices, ointments, and plasters, to mollify and digest hard swellings, and the inflammation of them, and to ease pains in any part of the body. The seed either green or dry, mixed with vinegar, cleanses the skin of morpew, &c.

### MANDRAKE.—(*Mandragora.*)

*Descrip.*—This has a large brown root, sometimes single and sometimes divided into three parts, growing deep, from which spring several large dark green leaves, a foot or more in length, and four or five inches broad, sharp pointed at the ends, of a fœtid smell; from among these spring the flowers, each on a separate footstalk, about the height and size of a primrose, of a whitish colour, and of one bell-fashioned leaf, cut into five segments, standing in a large five-cornered calyx, and are succeeded by smooth round fruit, about as big as a small apple, of a deep yellow colour when ripe, and of a very strong smell.

*Place.*—It comes from Spain, but grows in our gardens.

*Time.*—It flowers here in July and August.

*Government and Virtues.*—It is governed by Mercury. The fruit has been accounted poisonous, but without cause. The leaves are cooling, and are used for ointments, and other external applications. The fresh root operates very powerfully as an emetic and purgative, so that few constitutions can bear it. The bark of the root dried, acts as a rough emetic. The root formerly was supposed to have the human form, but it really resembles a carrot or parsnip.

### MAPLE-TREE.—(*Acer.*)

There are many varieties of this tree, according to the place of its growth, and the taste of the planter; but the principal are, the Greater and the Less; Greater striped-leaved Maple; Smaller or Common Maple; another with red seed; Virginian Ash-leaved Maple; Norway Maple, with plane-tree leaves; Striped Norway Maple; Virginian Scarlet-flowering Maple; Sir Charles Wager's Maple; American Sugar Maple; Pennsylvania Mountain Maple;