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Sirs,

The ensuing Tract, I, many yeares since Translated out of the Originall *Spanish*, and Dedicated to the Right Honorable *Edward Lord Conway*, &c. by whose Noble Patronage, the Confection whereof it Treats, together with it selfe, were first admitted into the *English* Court, where they received the Approbation of the most Noble and Iudicious those dayes afforded. Since which time, it hath beene universally sought for, and thirsted after by people of all Degrees (especially those of the Female sex) either for the Pleasure therein Naturally Residing, to Cure, and divert Diseases; Or else to supply some Defects of Nature, wherein it chalenges a speciall Prerogative above all other Medicines whatsoever.

The Author thereof was one *Antonio Colmenero* of *Ledesma*, who sometimes lived in the *West Indies*, where it is very much used, and held in great esteeme, untill this day; as also in *Spaine*, *Italy*, and *Flanders*, and admired by the most learned Doctors of all those Nations.