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The young man's book of amusement

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To find whether any given Year is Leap Year or not

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the buds into water, wherein a little nitre or salt has been infused, and the next day you will see the buds open and expand themselves, and the flowers display their most lively colours, and breath their agreeable odours.

To find whether any given Year is Leap Year or not.

Divide the given year by 4, if nothing remain, it is leap year; but if 1, 2, or 3 remain, it shews the number of years after leap year. This rule may be committed to memory in the following lines:—

Divide by 4: what's left shall be,
For leap year, 0: past, 1, 2, 3.

Example.

Was the year 1819, leap year?—Rejecting the centuries, 19 divided by 4, and 3 remain; therefore, the year 1819 was the third year after leap year.

A Liquor that shines in the dark.

Take a bit of phosphorus, about the size of a pea; break it into small parts, which you are to put into a glass half full of very pure water, and boil it in a small earthen vessel, over a very moderate fire. Have in readiness a long narrow bottle, with a well-fitted glass

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