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To diversify the Colours of Flowers

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of the lamp is only an inch, then, if the distance of the frame from the style be six inches, while the float that contains the light descends by the decrease of the oil, one inch, the shadow of the style on the frame will ascend 12 inches, being its whole length, and show, by its progression, the regular increase of the hours, with their several divisions.

You must be careful always to burn the same oil, which must be the best; and the wick must never vary in size; if these precautions are not attended to the dial never can be accurate.

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Fill a vessel of what size or shape you please, with good rich earth, which has been dried and sifted in the sun, then plant in the same a slip or branch of a plant bearing a white flower, (for such only can be tinged) and use no other water to water it with, but such as is tinged with red, if you desire red flowers; with blue, if blue flowers, &c. With this coloured water, water the plant twice a day, morning, and evening, and remove it into the house at night, so that it drink not of the morning or evening dew for those weeks. You will then experience, that it will produce flowers, not altogether tinged with that colour wherewith you watered it, but partly with that, and partly with the natural.

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