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The Electrical Fountain

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tween one and two inches, then pass from one to the other a strong charge of a large electrical battery : the plate of tin will be found pierced by two holes, with their burs in opposite directions. That the experiment may succeed, the tin-foil should be thin, and the charge strong, otherwise only two impressions will be seen on the plate.

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*The Electrical Fountain.*

Suspend a vessel of water from the middle of the brass arch, and place in the vessel a small tube. The water will be one continued stream ; and if the electrification be strong, a number of streams will issue, in form of a cone, the top of which will be at the extremity of the tube. This experiment may be stopped and renewed almost instantly, as if at the word of command.

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*To pierce a Card, &c. by Electricity.*

Take a card, a quire of paper, or any similar material, and place it against the outside coating of a charged jar : keep the card in its situation by pressing against it one knob of the discharged rod, and with the other knob of the rod touch that of the jar. The discharge which will immediately follow, to restore the equilibrium of the two sides of the jar, will be found to have made one or more holes entirely

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