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To Remove the Stains of Ink

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The stains of ink, on cloth, paper, or wood, may be removed by all acids; but those acids are to be preferred, which are least likely to injure the texture of the stained substance. The muriatic acid, diluted with five or six times its weight of water, may be applied to the spot, and after a minute or two washed off; repeating the application as often as may be found necessary. Less risk attends the use of vegetable acids. A solution of the oxalic, citric, (acid of lemons,) or tartareous acids, in water, may be applied to the most delicate fabrics without danger of injuring them; and the same solution will discharge writing, but not printing ink. Hence it may be employed in cleaning books, which have been defaced by writing on the margin, without impairing the text.

Dr. Wollaston's Ice Apparatus.

The cold produced by evaporation is under certain circumstances, very great. Spirit of wine, and ether, which readily evaporate, produce considerable cold during that process. Upon this principle, wine-coolers, and similar porous vessels, refrigerate the fluids they contain; and thus, by accelerating the evaporation of water, by exposing it under an exhausted receiver, containing bodies that quickly absorb its vapour, Professor Leslie has contrived to