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In the third part, where I have given an abridgment of what has been written upon the subject by the most celebrated medical authors, and others, I have always endeavoured to express their sentiments with as much clearness and conciseness as I could. I have indeed through the whole aimed at perspicuity rather than elegance of diction, as most proper in a book of science. To know a disease, and to cure it, being the two things most essential to be learned; I have therefore transcribed the symptoms and cure of the fever from these authors, where they do not entirely copy from each other.

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APPENDIX

It has been no easy matter to obtain a knowledge of the many writings on this distemper. There have been collections made from time to time, of the several authors on the plague, venereal disease, etc.; but no such have been compiled of writers on the fevers. 

SUMMARY, ann. 1624, when he wrote his own treatise, reprinted the writings of Solomon Albertus and Martin, together with Boerhaave, and the authors which he had published ann. 1583, viz. Echidorus, Wierus, and Langius; and this book, containing these seven authors, is the only collection ever published of writers on the fever. And the one which here is had reference to be obtained from medical libraries, Librarius, in his Bibliotheca medica, published ann. 1679, recenses up twenty-nine writings on this subject, of which eight are academical discourses or disputations. Mercklin, in his Cyno- sura medica, published in the year 1686, enumerates twenty-four authors on the fever. Of these, one, viz. Hemsterhuis, a Bra, is classed among them (though improperly) upon account of a letter written to Paracelsus, upon a very different subject (a). Another, viz. Albertus, he has by mistake omitted twice in his list; and has given a place in it to fof, Stibendorfus; an editor of Engelsius, Simer Pauui, Job. Langius, Arnold, Weitbrand, and Ludov. Schmolz; which three last I have taken notice of in the Bibliotheca, though perhaps they are not deserving of it. He has besides included in it three academical disputations. The indefatigable Dr. Haller published ann. 1751, in his notes illustrating Boerhaave's Methodus medicae, the titles of almost all medical

(a) Vid. Fugiti ephora medica, lib. 20, obs. 12.