






REMEDIES ARE MANY, CURES ARE FEW

THE ORIGINAL
CASTORIA
LAXATIVE FOR CHILDREN



The Poxer
Minor Tumor

was America's first official medical invention. Dreamed up by Dr. Eliza Follen in the late 1700s, it was also a piece of quackery. It was used by nervous people including George Washington, to cure headaches, lameness, and other ills. But experiments by doctors showed that the tractor (a pair of three-inch metal bars, above, that were moved slowly down a rod over the ailing part of the body) didn't cure anything. Its inventor sincerely believed in his device, but he was still punished for fraud.



• For sores, doctors used leeches to "draw" (suck blood from) the sick and injured. They believed that bleeding removed poisons from the body. By the mid-

1800s, doctors realized that it made sick people sicker. Today, leeches are making a comeback, thanks to their saliva, which keeps blood from clotting. Leeches are

used on people with heartached limbs to prevent blood clots and to boost circulation.

Once It Bums!

Can eating a miriny help your tummy?

(Answer on back cover)

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BLOOD BITTERS

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Tasteless **CHILL TONIC**

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