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M. How will that be ? *C.* We keep ſomewhere on Purpose an earthen large Veſſel, and when we fill that up with twenty Pots of Water, it will be enough for a Month. *M.* Who will carry us this Water ? *C.* There are ſo many Women, that will fetch it. *M.* But to prevent, leſt they impoſe upon me, muſt I not ſend along with them one of my Boys ? *C.* Yes, ſo You muſt do. *M.* But that is a great Trouble to ſend always one Servant along with them. *C.* It is no Matter for ſo great a Trouble ; When we call twenty Women together, and ſend with them a Servant, all the Buſineſs is done. *M.* It is true, do ſo. *C.* Sir, Here they have brought twenty Pots of Water. *M.* Pay them five *Fannams*.

The ſeventh Dialogue.

Between the Miſtreſs and the Cook.

Mis. Don't we want Fire-Wood in the Kitchin ? *Co* Yes, Madam, we muſt buy ſome. *Mis.* What Sort of Fewel is to be got here ? *Co.* They ſell in this Country dry Cow-Turd, Faggots of ſmall Branches of Wood, leſſer Sticks and bigger Sticks. *Mis.* What do you call dry Cow-Turd ? *Co.* It is the very Dung of a Cow, the ſame the *Parriar* women will take in their Hands, ſhaping

ſhaping them into round Cakes, and when they are all dried enough in the Sun, ſo they will ſell it. *Mis.* O Strange! Is that the Fire-Wood, you have here? Is then nothing elſe beſides this? *Co.* Yes, Madam, as I told You before, they will ſell alſo Brushwood. *Mis.* What do You call Brushwood? *Co.* It is a Sort of ſmall Branches of a Tree, grown in Buſh. Theſe Branches the poor People cut down, tie them together into Faggots, and when they have lifted them upon their Head, ſo they carry and bring them to ſell in the Town. *Mis.* Are then theſe Faggots good Fewel? *Co.* So, ſo, indifferently; But above this, there is ſtill ſome better Wood. *Mis.* What Sort of Wood is that? *Co.* There are Sticks, leſser Sticks and bigger Sticks. *Mis.* From whence do they bring theſe Sticks? *Co.* They bring them from *Conimere* and from *Ciacola*. *Mis.* How many Cow-Cakes will they ſell for one *Fannam*? *Co.* Here is not any Ordinance, but they do ſell them, as the Seaſon ſerves for their Profit. *Mis.* What ſignifies that? That is no lawfull. *Co.* It is here ſo cuſtomary, ſome Times they will ſell hundred; ſome Times hundred and fifty; ſome Times two hundred: ſo as they pleaſe, but in the rain Seaſon is the greateſt Scarcity thereof. *Mis.* When it is good Cheap, we will buy us as many as we want, and keep it in the Cellar. *Co.* Yes, Madam,

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ſo You muſt do. *Mis.* How many *Fannams* will coſt one Faggot? *Co.* They ſell them as they pleaſe, ſome Times for two *Fannams*; Some for Times one *Fannam*; Some Times for ſix *Duddas*; and ſome Times for four *Duddas*. *Mis.* At what Rate do they ſell one hundred of the leſſer Sticks? *Co.* So as they like; ſome Times they ſell one hundred for two *Fannams*; ſome Times for two *Fannams* and two *Duddas*; and ſome Times for two *Fannams* and three *Duddas*. *Mis.* At what a Price do they ſell one thouſand of the bigger Sticks? *Co.* They ſell one thouſand ſome Times for two *Pagodas*; ſome Times for two *Pagodas* and a half; ſome Times for three *Pagodas*, according as they will, thus they ſell them. *Mis.* How much will be required in our Kitchin for a Month? *Co.* Madam, We ſhall need in our Kitchin one thouſand leſſer Sticks and for five *Fannams* dry Cow-Cakes. *Mis.* Hola! That is a great Expenſe.

The eigth Dialogue.

Between a Miſtreſs and the House-Maid-Servant.

Mis. What is it we want in our House? *Ser.* We do want Oil, Butter, Wax-Candles, a Lantern, four Candleſticks, ſix Beds,