

# For the Entertainment of the Curious,

There is Now to be EXHIBITED

A COURSE of EXPERIMENTS

On the newly-discovered

ELECTRIC FIRE,

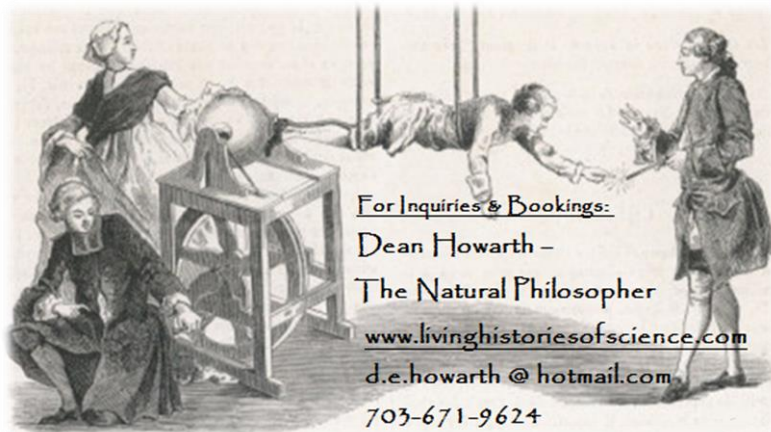
CONTAINING, not only the most curious of those that have been made and published in Europe, but a considerable Number of new Ones lately made in Philadelphia; to be accompanied with methodical LECTURES on the Nature and Properties of that wonderful Element.



Dean Howarth, in his role as the Natural Philosopher, incorporates a large collection of electrical apparatus including Electrostatic Generators, Leyden jars, Voltaic Piles, and electrical tricks and toys akin to those used by Benjamin Franklin and other 18<sup>th</sup> century “electricians”. The shocking escapades of the Electricians began as entertaining recreation where “doses of electrical fluid” were shared with the audiences.

The Natural Philosopher can recreate the Electrical Temple of Health, a salon based on the story of Dr. James Graham, the notorious quack scientist. Here one can see gentlemen challenged to kiss electrified ladies, watch hair stand on end, cure baldness with shocks, and be enchanted by the latest electrical toys!

This performance for adult audiences touches upon the outrageous and comical “treatments” offered by Dr. Graham in his efforts to add a literal spark to the love lives of amorous couples. Titillating quackery like Graham’s Electrical Celestial Bed and Anton Mesmer’s famed “Animal Magnetism” treatments spawned headlines and gossip throughout Europe and are still relevant today!



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Sites seeking a unique form of entertainment that is both fun and informative can request the services of the Natural Philosopher whereby he can cater a performance to suit the audience and setting. Social hours, receptions, Valentine’s Day events are all particularly appropriate settings for this electrifying occasion!

