

YDu shall with a pensill made of gray amys, or calliber
tailes lay on thy syse somewhat substancially, or if thou
wilt first thinne, and after thicker, and then drie it, & when
it is drie wet it lightly with thy spittle, and then shau it
with a sharp knife, vntill it be euen without hills, & if there
fall any default therein, or else there is moze in one place
then in another, lay agayne thy syse on it, and drie it &
ingrosse it as is sayd befoze, & when it is ingrossed & made
plain, then burnish it with the tooth of a calfe, of an ore, or
of an horse that is made theretofore standing in a crooked
stick, and when it is burnished and made euen and shining
then is it ready to lay on it thy gold or thy siluer.

To lay gold or siluer on syse.

First cut the leaues of gold or Siluer in peeces with a
Sharpe knife, or a knife made of a greate reede bypon a
little bozd as broad as a trencher couered with a calues
skin rayled or understuffed with wooll or flore or else vn-
dressed, then shalt thou with a pensill weat lightlye on thy
mouth weat thy syse, so it be a little moyst; and then weat
thy pensill agayne in thy mouth on the same wise, and
touche thy gold or siluer that thou hast cutte by a corner
lightlye, and laye it on thy syse, befoze made a little
moyst, and then thou shalt take the tayle of an hare, or of a
conney, or a peece of cotten, & lightly presse it down on thy
syse, & when thou hast thus done, let it drie vntill it be well
dried, then burnish it: for if thou shalt burnish it weate
thou shalt rubbe of all, and when it is well dried, take
the tuske that thou doest burnish with and drie it and heat
it well on thy cheeke, then burnish thy golde first softly,
and then harder vntill it shine, but burnish it not ouer
long, for dreade of appayring: And when thou halte
well burnished it, then take a white woollen cloth or an
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hares foote, and rubbe all away, saue it which cleaueth to the sife, & if ther be any place faultie, so that the gold faile for dyynesse of the sife, then weat it agayne and lay on the golde, and drye it and burnish it as you did befoze.

To make gum water to temper colours withall.

TAke cleane water, & do it in a vessel & put ther to a portion of gumme Arabec & let it stand vntill the gum be wel dissolued and molten in the water, but looke it be not ouer thicke of gummy, for then it is euill to worke with, and if it be too thin of gum, then will the colour fade and fall of, therfoze keepe a meane & temper thy colours ther with, such as it serueth for best. Note the best gumme is cleare and brittle that in stamping it, it becomieth powder easily without cleauing together.

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To make glayre for the like purpose.

TAke the white of newe layde egges as manye as you thinke good, and strayne them through a linnen cloth to take out the cocke treadinges, then put them in a dish and wring them through a sponge or a white woollen cloth vntill they be as thin as water, then wash the sponge or cloth, and drye it. And put the glaire to thuse aforesayd in a stone pot, or a glasse fast stopped, & spend it as soone as ye can, for it will not keepe aboute thye dapes, but it will haue an ill sauour, except they be ordred as followeth.

To keepe whites of egges as long as ye will, without corrupting or putting of Arsnik to them.

TAke the whites of egges, not breaking them in any wise, but take out the cocktreading, and put to them as much of the best white vinegar as shall suffyse the quanti-