



A Short Account of Experiments and Instruments Depending on the Relations of Air to Heat and Moisture

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