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wise woman

[OED a woman skilled in magic, now dial, or arch.; Scots a witch or herbalist CSD; cf. also Haitian fanm-say, Fr. sage-femme idem TDKF] n, a woman skilled in medicinal herbs: 1917 The unclean, long nails of the "wise woman" looked anything but hygienic (Defries 82). (Inagua, San Sal.)

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