

tion. Dr. Borland said that when he used to teach students in the Royal London Homœopathic Hospital, he used to try to stress the importance of observing patients as they came into the room. From the way they put down their feet, the way they acted, the tidiness or slovenliness of their clothing, one could almost decide what medicine they required, before they opened their mouths. Many a patient had seemed to be a straight-forward *Pulsatilla* case, but when observed it was obvious that he had never been a *Pulsatilla* case in his life. Listening to the very talkative patient—the one who had *diarrhœa verborem*—Dr. Schmidt said one must not interrupt. Dr. Borland recalled that one of his “chiefs” had said that if the doctor never opened his mouth, that type of patient was bound to “dry up” at least at the end of forty minutes. If the doctor did open his mouth, of course the patient would start all over again.

Dr. Borland concluded his reply by repeating the stress which Dr. Schmidt had laid on the importance of the patient's record. It was very helpful to read to him what he had said last time. One asked him: “What about this?” and was told: “Oh, that has gone now.” The patient might even get to the point of denying he ever had it. Records were most important—and the more completely they were, the better.

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HIGHEST DILUTION

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Besides the well known high potencies 30x, 30, 200, etc., there can be found, especially in English and North American publications, some references to the highest potencies, labeled 10M, 50M, CM, etc.

The subject of this investigation was to establish by personal visits, what methods and machines are employed

and especially whether these assure that potencies labeled with a higher number will contain less material than the proceeding potencies and whether there is the possibility that potencies higher than 24x will not contain any more material.

It could be established that the most important North American laboratories are employing the Hahnemannian method of the many vials, from 1 to 30 ; that the potencies between 30 and 1000 are hand made by the Korsakov method of the unit vial, starting from the 30th Hahnemannian and using alcohol ; and that, for highest dilutions, dynamizers designed by Skinner or Kent are employed, starting from the 1000th potencies prepared as referred and using filtered water as vehicle.

In France, high potencies are considered as prepared according to Korsakov, in unit vial, beginning with the M.T. ; therefore they are using the turbo-dynamizer from the M.T. or they substitute the Korsakov potency for the corresponding Hahnemannian.

In England, one laboratory prepares the potencies up to the 1000th by the Hahnemannian method in little test tubes using a mechanical shaking machine, importing the higher potencies from the United States. Another laboratory is manufacturing the 30th in 30 different vials, but with the idea not to change the method, the potencies higher than the 30th are prepared with the old French Korsakov dynamizer starting from the M.T.

Concerning Germany, it could be only established that before the war a great laboratory was preparing 200. and 1000. by a special dynamizer starting from an unknown potency.

In Brazil, Argentina, Mexico and Chile, they used to import high potencies, though some laboratories have dynamizers, mostly of the turbo-dynamizer type.

It is proposed to establish a combined method, Hahnemann-Korsakov-Fluxion, which in the first place will avoid the error in absorption of material to the glass, in order

really to obtain high potencies which are likely not to contain any material, as by this schedule :

H-K-F Potencies

1-30 Hahnemannian method, with 30 vials and alcohol.

30-200 Korsakov method, starting from the 30th Hahnemannian and using alcohol (hand made).

Higher than 200 Fluxion potencies, by machines, with filtered water, starting from the 200th Hahnemann-Korsakov.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE 12TH U. P. HOMŒOPATHIC MEDICAL CONFERENCE

The 12th U.P. Homœopathic Medical Conference was held on Saturday and Sunday the 26th and 27th June 1954, at the Nannakchand Degree College, Meerut, under the Presidentship of Dr. D. N. Banerjee of Kanpur.

This Session was inaugurated by the Hon. Dr. Punjab Rao Deshmukh, Minister for Agriculture, Government of India.

Nearly 200 Delegates from far and near attended the session. The Hall and the Verandhas of the College were packed with the delegates as well as with the high gentry who were invited in the inauguration.

After Bande Matram, Dr. J. M. Chaudhri, Chairman of the Reception Committee welcoming the honoured guests said in his welcome address, "The first and the foremost problem facing us is the question of patronage from the Central Government. Those at the Centre responsible for the health of the country have not deemed it necessary to recognise that, in spite of these handicaps, our soldiers in the field have carried the palm and raised the banner of Homœopathy high."

After the welcome address Dr. Bir Pal Singh, Gene-