HOMOEOPATHY TO STEER CLEAR OF ALLOPATHIC NOTIONS

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Generation after generation man has ventured to know himself as also other phenomena of nature. The definition, therefore, goes that man is a rational being and this definition about man must be as correct as it can be. But this rational being at the same time, is saddled with emotions of various kinds-good, bad and indifferent. When emotions rule the man his thinking is vitiated to the extreme degree. Nay, they undermine consequently, the very reason itself. As matters stand, a constant struggle between reason and emotions goes on in the veryinside of man. The apparently looking man is, by far, the natural battle field for reason and emotions. However, the supremacy of reason keeping in subjugation the right quality and proportion of emotions, keeps the thinking man in perfect order, as also his body in proper trim. The outer body consisting of all the essential instruments necessary for the internal man does suffer sometimes to the extent that it is not at peace with the internal. Hahnemann has shown beyond doubt that a vitiated thinking and the resultant conduct breed bodily and even mental ill health of the individual, by awakening Psora inside the body. Psora, the hydra-headed monster, on the otherhand, is inherited. Once Psora is born, it begins to manifest itself in so many ways known to you all, that as by a shock, the eternal battle of reason and emotion is generally silenced for the time being, and then the great benevolent and all-sustaining force, the vital force, as we call it, comes to the rescue and begins to give Psora the necessary battle. The vital force, in effect, takes command of, all the forces of the body, known and unknown to science with its limited means of probing into the secrets of nature and tries to oust Psora by all possible

means. To help this vital and spirit-like force in its arduous task, Homœopathy was discovered by Dr. Hahnemann; and had it not been for the suppresive treatment adopted by the dominant school of Allopathy, many a man would have freed himself of Psora the result of his past wrongs, and the world would have been the richer for it.

This very Psora when allowed to have the better of man plunges him headlong into virtual disaster and decay by forcing him, as it were, to go in for Syphilis and Sycosis. Some great authority has rather said that Syphilis and Sycosis can only implant themselves on a Psoric base or else even an unclean contact will fail to affect the sinner. While Hahnemann has unequivocally taught, practised and proved by clinical and other possible methods that all diseases worth their name are invariably due to Psora, Sycosis and Syphilis or all combined, it is common experience that what we call disease may well manifest itself, as it must, in the shape of congestions, inflammations, localizations, suppurations, decay or unnatural growths both benign and malignant, strictly according to the very nature of miasm or miasms that feed them. If not properly treated, the disease may take its toll at any stage of its fateful development, unless of course, the vital force is much too strong for any such eventuality.

Notwithstanding, on the other hand, our Allopathic brethren who take pride in calling themselves pure scientists have invented names for all the permutations and combinations of the above mentioned stages of unitary diseases, which, in effect, are nothing but a mechanical classification arrived at according to the affected part as well as the nature and stage of the affection. While they fail to realize and recognize the root cause of the diseases, so ingeniously invented by Hahnemann, they would actually laugh at the idea of Psora, Sycosis and Syphilis having any thing to do with the general and so called various diseases. And it is no wonder that Anatomy, Physiology

and Pathology, as finalized in the hands of our Allopathic brethren, refuse entirely to accept and so strike at the very root of, Homœopathic thought and therapautics.

As such, if turning a volte-face to Hahnemann, we were to make Homœopaths out of people possessing only the existing knowledge of Anatomy, Physiology and Pathology, coupled with the fallacis of modern science, we must have signally failed and might succeed in multiplying the number of existing Allopaths, howsoever unwittingly. To borrow the emphasis of Kent, to do so ignorantly will be bad enough and to do so knowingly would be destructive to the conscience and genious of Homœopathy. We might almost quote Kent himself. "The speech of layman represents all sickness to the physician's mind, hence the Materia Medica must be reduced from technicalities to simple speech". Dr. Kent meant what he said.

Who has not seen Ayurvedic graduates from the Benares University: They don't consider themselves a whit inferior to an M.B.B.S., in the practice of Allopathy, because that science has been taught them, as they claim. Homœopathy, as a post graduate subject only, can, after a little thought, be pronounced as utterly ill-conceived, so far as the greater and ultimate interests of Homœopathy are concerned. By being reduced to a post graduate course, Homœopathy has lost much of its charm in America and what may be true of America may also be true in India.

Since Homœopathy is a matter of personal culture and constant learning through trial and error over a life time, a non-de-script institution not wholly in keeping with the highest spirit of Homœopathy can not deliver the goods to the prospectiva Homœopaths. While it may be pointed out with advantage that there had been free thinkers in the past with lesser or greater general education, but by a close and constant application of the easily understandable principles and philosophy of Homœopathy they made great headways and earned a name besides. We must know what exactly is needed by way of education for our

future Homeopaths! But the sacred principles of Homeopathy must not compromise with the fallacies of modern science. In any case, to drag Homeopathy down to the level of an experimental science should be scrupulously guarded against for reasons self-evident.

In fact no institution can make the student learn his vast Materia-Medica by rote or arm him with a mode of specific treatment of disease as in Allopathy. The technique of Homeopathy is right about the other way.

Even for reasons of politics, especially in the present world of hurry and materialistic thinking, if the Homeopathic institutions should make the course of studies for as many years as in M.B.B.Ss. course, it may just be a problem to find parents who would send their wards to learn Homeopathy in our institutions.

There should, therefore, be a short course of about two years' duration during which period Materia-Medica, Organon, Philosophy, Case-taking and Repertorization may be taught in right earnest and the student left to his ability to grow into a giant Homœopath, according as he can and shall make the knowledge so imparted his own!

HYDRASTIS CANADENSIS IN MAMMARY CANCER

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Pathological diagnosis is very interesting, especially when it is completed with a homeopathic prescription—Royal E. S. Hayes, M.D.

Mammary cancer in woman is that form of cancer which in the order of its frequency and malignity takes third place as a cause of death in statistics throughout the world, the first place belonging to cancer of the womb and the second place to cutaneous cancer.