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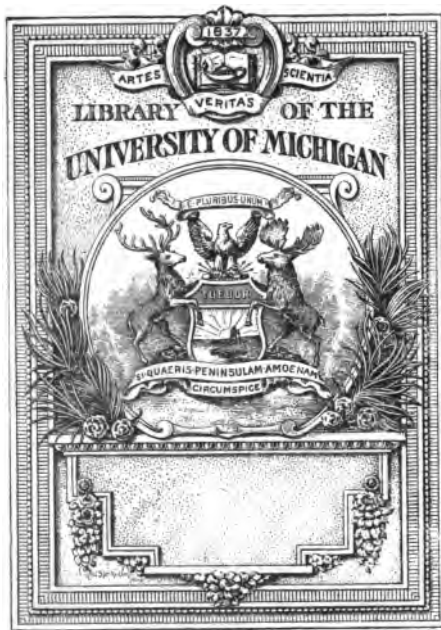
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LETTERS RECEIVED

—From *Dr. Wiener*, of Baltimore, with a very satisfactory proving of the Tincture of Upas Leaves, received, through Dr. Baird, from the Botanical Garden of the Smithsonian Institute.—[To be had at Bœricke & Tafel's.]

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Dr. George Atkin's Homœopathic Medical Directory and Record for 1864, is preparing for publication. Every homœopathic practitioner ought to feel obliged to aid a work of so much use and influence. The list for America, in the former edition, was exceedingly meagre, and did not embrace one fifth of the practitioners of our school in this country. But are not all their names known to editors, publishers, apothecaries, &c., &c.? Why then are they withheld? Why are those "cities set on a hill" so hid? Should those enlighteners of the public mind "put their candle under a bushel"? Let every one send to us all the names within his knowledge, for a List of all the Homœopathic Physicians in the United States, which we propose to print on a distinct sheet, for circulation in this country, so soon as we can make it any thing like complete; and we will send our list to Dr. Atkin, for publication in the forthcoming edition of his work. Ought not every friend of our cause to be furnished with such a list when travelling?

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NEWS.

Homœopathy in Michigan.—A bill has passed both branches of the legislature of Michigan, requiring the Board of Regents of the Michigan University to establish a chair of homœopathy in that institution.

QUERIES, AND QUEER ANSWERS.

(Continued from No. V, p. 58.)

The first Nux vom. case.—(Philadelphia Journal of Homœopathy, Vol. III, No. IX.)—The following characteristic (?) symptoms are given. First sweat; then chill; then heat. (The potency, or frequency of doses, is not mentioned.) This case is quite a curiosity, as it more than confirms one unique fever symptom, which we find recorded among Hahnemann's provings. Vide *Materia Medica Pura*, Vol. I, under *Nux vom.*, the 1222d symptom, where we read: "After the perspiration chilliness; and then again perspiration." Our informant adds—to this unique and remarkably rare symptom—"then heat". We should have been much pleased to learn the time of the day; something about the thirst (for heat?); of such gastric derangements as are often combined with the *Nux vom.* intermittent fever; of the giddiness or headache.

The second Nux vom. case.—(Ibid.)—We find related, as having been present, first sweat; then fever: which again is a curiosity among the genus intermittens. The fever was attended with severe pain in the back in the region of the kidneys, and with aching in the limbs. We again find, in the *Materia Medica Pura*, 1225th symptom: "*Frequent attacks of perspiration, followed by dry heat.*" The only similar symptom that we find under *Sulphur*, *Chronic Diseases*, Vol. V, n. 1965; is: "In the evening, before lying down, perspiration, principally in the hands; and, immediately after lying down, heat and difficulty in getting to sleep." What makes these two *Nux vom.* cases the more remarkable is, that they are found on one page of the provings, and then again on one page, line by line, in a *Therapeutic*, of Boenninghausen, on *Intermittent Fever*, page 34—the two last lines.

Never too old, and always anxious, to learn, we now find these corroborations of unique symptoms followed by something new. Our informant says: "In several cases, where there was intense thirst before the chill, which was followed by burning fever and exhausting sweat, China seemed to do well." Vide *Materia Medica Pura*, and the note of Hah-

nemann to Symptom 380, where he remarks it as characteristic that China has no thirst at all during the fever paroxysms, or at most very slight thirst between the hot or cold stage, or during the perspiration.

This weighty evidence of our informant to the contrary notwithstanding, we should, in such fever paroxysms as are here related to have been seemingly benefited, consider *Eupatorium* as most homœopathically indicated; and should consider *Arnica*, *Capsicum*, *Nux vom.*, or *Pulsatilla*, as next.

(To be continued.)

COMMUNICATIONS.

Two Cases of Small Pox.—One of a pair of twins, one year old, (not vaccinated,) had been sick with small pox for seven days, without any other than domestic treatment. The eruption was confluent; the pustules black; smell very putrid; incessant thirst; much restlessness; putrid diarrhoea. *Arsenicum*, 40m, a few pellets, dissolved in half a tumblerful of water, and a teaspoonful given every four hours for forty-eight hours, improved the case much, and the child was out of all danger. The desquamation followed without further medication.

At the time the first of the twins came under treatment, the second was evidently attacked by the same disease. Before the eruption made its appearance, it took one dose of *Thuja*, 200. The eruption appeared but very slightly, with but little fever; and the little patient passed through all the stages of the disease without any further medicine. The child was perfectly well in a fortnight. X. Y.

The foregoing I know to be a true report. It does not follow, of course, that we are to give up vaccination and trust to *Thuja* alone; or to *Variolin*, if *Thuja* fails. There are more facts required before we should run any risk, even if we concede that vaccination is an evil, very often injurious.

The *British Quarterly*, in its opposition to Boenninghausen, (LI, p. 175,) manifests so essential an error, that we feel obliged to protest against it.

It is said Boenninghausen was guided by Symptom 262: Pustules on the knee, like true *Variola* in appearance; they suppurate, do not itch, and disappear entirely in eighteen hours. Such a disappearance in eighteen hours is said to be "conclusive evidence against the resemblance in pathological character to *Variola*."

My old question, What is similar? and the answer I have given to it, induce me to declare, that this very shortness of period is the most essential similarity, the most characteristic in favor of selecting *Thuja*. The "superficial likeness" is always the only likeness; and the entire pathological difference is even more essential than the likeness. It is the same with *Belladonna* in *Scarlatina*, *Spongia* in *Croup*, &c. If *Thuja* had produced an eruption lasting weeks, it would not have been similar, notwithstanding the entire similarity otherwise. It is the same in all other cases. *Thuja* has no doubt cured sycoitic warts, lasting, if left alone, for years. It has produced a little excrescence on the glans, disappearing in a few days.

Böninghausen has shown himself such a master of our *Materia Medica*, and so successful a practitioner, that we must, as a matter of course, suppose that he did not look to the one symptom alone. Like Hahnemann, quoting only one symptom in *Drosera*, when he recommends it in Hooping Cough, and of *Spongia* and *Hepar*, in Croup, &c.

The true key to the application of *Thuja* in Small-pox, is to be looked for in the discovery of Brauns, that *Thuja* is the specific in contagious Mallanders; and Mallanders, according to Jenner, Fries, Coy, Du Carro, Birago, Schoenlein, Virchow, and others, are the origin of Cowpox; or, in man, of an eruption like *Vaccina pustulosa*—of which I have had an unquestionable proof myself.

According to this and the Viennan provings of *Thuja*, there is a very great probability, that *Thuja* will prove to be a specific in *Variola*, as the pathological identity with *Vaccine* has been sufficiently proved.

The objectors to the high dilutions need not get in a bad humor at the fact, which has never been contradicted, that all so called "specific" relationship of some drugs to some diseases, has thus far solely been discovered by only High Dilutionists. They cannot get over that fact.

C. H. G.

Intermittent Fever.—In Vol. III, No. XI, of G. Ph. Journal, we find two interesting and instructive cases of intermittent fever cures with *Ars.*, 200, by Dr. Joslin, and give here the characteristic *Arsenic* Symptoms.

Neither intermittent fever, nor any other disease, will yield to high potencies administered in one dose at once, or administered in watery solution and frequently repeated, if that medicine was not very homœopathic to the case.

The first case corroborates previous observation, that, when high potencies are given, they will not be disturbed by what were formerly considered indispensably necessary dietetic restraints.

First case, *Tertian* intermittent fever: first chill; then heat; then perspiration; thirst during the whole paroxysm; drinks often, but little at a time; during the cold stage, nausea; pain in the small of the back and lower limbs; tongue blue; great debility after the paroxysm.

Second case, *Quotidian* afternoon fever: anticipates one hour each day; first chill; then heat; then perspiration, with heat: before the chill, pricking of the nose; grinding the teeth; stretching; sour eructation, and coryza: during the chill, hands, feet and nose cold; thirst; yawning; blueness under the eyes; and pain in the stomach: during heat and perspiration, none of these symptoms were present: stools slimy; urine of a very dark red color.

Arsenic.—Mr. H., an otherwise healthy gentleman, twenty-five years old, living on the Susquehanna, near Harrisburg, contracted intermittent fever early in September. It was checked by *Chinin*; but returned before the expiration of twenty-one days—continuing to be checked by *Chinin*, in increased

doses, and to return, till the patient came to Philadelphia on the 18th of December, having had four daily attacks of chills and fever, coming every day two hours earlier.

Upon examination, I found the following symptoms present. Chill, returning every day two hours earlier; during the chill, pain in the small of the back and in all the bones; much thirst, drinking very often and little at a time; vomiting of the ingesta and bile; chill lasts two hours; is followed by heat with continued thirst; less pain in back and bones; no vomiting, but violent head-ache in the whole head; lasts three hours, the head-ache continuing for hours after the heat has passed off: during the whole paroxysm, but more so during the heat, great restlessness. During the night, he sleeps well, but perspires very profusely—perspiration offensive and sour. During the apyrexia, dullness in the head, great debility, urinary secretions diminished, but good appetite.

Gave him one dose of *Arsenic*, 8000, after the fever. The next paroxysm came the following day an hour and a half sooner and more violent. Gave no medicine.

The next day, the paroxysm came on one hour earlier, and was less severe; no vomiting; less head-ache. Came on the following day at the same hour, but very slightly; and returned no more.

A. L.

The following case of intermittent fever, of the advancing tertian type, was cured by *arsenicum*, contrary to the clinical rule laid down by Dr. Hering in the second number of the News.

A little girl, aged four years, very intelligent, having a large head, light hair and eyes, was attacked, on the 17th of August last, with tertian intermittent fever, which lasted about ten days. She had four paroxysms; which came on, the first at 9, the second at 7½, the third at 6½, and the fourth at 4 o'clock, A. M. The chill, which was very severe, lasted from a half hour to one and a half hours; and the fever, which also was very violent, lasted from three to four hours. The other symptoms were: chill, with thirst; fever, with thirst and perspiration, during the first three paroxysms—no perspiration in the fourth; great restlessness, during the paroxysm, and also at night; head, feet and hands very dry; sickness at the stomach, if she eats during the day of the paroxysm; complexion sallow.

After taking *ars.*, 6, in *aq.*, every three hours a teaspoonful, she had no attack. For three or four days previously, had been taking *eupat. perf.*, 1, in *aq.*, 2 h., without apparent benefit.

DR. COWLEY

NOTICES.

Received—Rueckert, Klinik, 12th Part; Hirschel, Archiv, Nos. I & II; Altschul, Prag. Monthly, 2, 10; C. Mueller, 5, t. 4; Gruner, Hom. Pharmacop. 2d edit.; Hirschel, Grundriss, V. 48, Nos. 23, 24; 2d. ed. A. Nom. Z., V. 49, Nos. 1, 2; Wilkinson (author of the Human Body and its connections with Man), War, Cholera and the Ministry of Health, 80 pages, (\$2 a dozen); to be had at Boericke & Tafel's.

FIRST HUNDRED MISTAKES.

19. Jahr's New Manual, Vol. I, p. 337, line 21 from the top, we find *Fainting fits*. The conditions are left out, and without them the symptom is valueless. The conditions are—*also in the morning, when rising with cold sweat and rumbling in the abdomen.*

20. Page 530, under *Cina*, bottom line, and the top line of page 531, there are so many blunders in these two lines, that they are given here as they ought to have been translated: "Inability to swallow; the drink rolls about the mouth for a long time; bitter taste of the bread; aversion of the infant to the mother's milk (which is healthy); great hunger soon after meals."

21. Page 531, 13th line from the bottom, after rising, should read, *especially in the morning.*

22. Five lines below this, a whole very important symptom is left out, viz., "Hooping cough, with rigidity before the attack, and paleness of the face, (or especially in children that are scrofulous, or have worms, or if accompanied by wetting the bed.)"

23. The same page, 7th line from the bottom, "in the morning," has been left out after "dryness in the back part of the throat." This symptom is from Gross; and "in the morning," has been left out by Noak and Trinks likewise, *by mistake.*

24. Vol. II, page 184, under *Menyanthes* and *Nose*, line 14 from the top, after "discharge of blood from the nose when blowing it," the time, "in the morning," is left out.

25. And, in the next line, at the end, "with involuntary dropping out of the nasal mucus," is left out.

26. Vol. II, page 1012, under *Viola odorata*, the last word on the second line from the bottom, *difficult*, is wrong, and ought to be *painful*. *Painful exhalation* is characteristic of *Viola odorata*, and has been repeatedly removed by *Viol. odor.* 200.

A. L.

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COMMUNICATIONS

Continued from Page 45 supra.

INTERMITTENT FEVER.—*Belladonna.*—A boy, four years old, had intermittent fever in the fall of the year 1854, the chills having been suppressed, from time to time, by strong doses of Chinin: he comes now from the country to Philadelphia; has a renewed attack on the 27th of February, 1855: the symptoms now are—Every forenoon, about 10 o'clock, and every day a little earlier, violent chill, with great external coldness and thirst, followed, in one and a half hours, by heat, with increasing thirst; in the first part of the hot stage, profound sleep; then he awakes, and asks for something to eat: *during chills and fever, constant desire to urinate; little at a time; urine dark colored; there is no perspiration.*—*Belladonna, 2000, one dose given after the paroxysm.*—The next day, the attack is slightly lessened in severity and length of time; no desire to urinate during the attack. No medicine. The following day, the attack scarcely perceptible. Entire cessation of the attacks afterwards.

A. L.

HOMŒOPATHY IN NEW JERSEY.

In New Jersey, the medical repeal bill, intended to cripple homœopathy in that state, was defeated by a vote of 28 to 16.

LETTERS RECEIVED

From Dr. W. Guernsey—Miss E. L. Conner—Dr. C. Pearson—Dr. C. Davis—Mr. J. Gibson; which has been attended to—Dr. C. Hall—Dr. A. Levanway—Dr. Galluppe—Dr. Wigand—Dr. I. Weed—Dr. Boardman—Dr. Elben; who will accept our thanks for the list of names—Dr. Huff—Dr. Fleming—Dr. W. Roberts; which has been attended to—Dr. W. Ferris—Dr. Wakemann; whose list of names is thankfully received—Dr. T. L. Brown; do. do.—Dr. Th. Doty.

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☞ *Anonymous letters are not noticed.*

PROVERS' UNION.

At the meeting of January 11th, eleven members and six guests were present, with Dr. W. A. Reed in the chair.

Dr. S. S. Guy, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was elected a member.

Dr. Lippe reported a letter from Dr. T. Armor, late of York, Pa., now of Newport, Del., with provings of *Merc. iodat.*

The secretary read a letter from Dr. W. F. Jackson, secretary of the Mass. Hom. Society, relative to the celebration of the centennial anniversary of Hahnemann's birth-day on the 10th of April next.

On motion of Dr. Coxe, the chairman appointed Drs. Coxe, Hering and Esrey a committee to report on the subject of the next meeting.

A letter from Dr. Zimpel, at Pau, Pyrenees, France, containing scientific communications, was read by Dr. Hering.

Dr. Peherson handed in a letter which he received, as one of the foreign corresponding secretaries, from Dr. Siemers, of Hamburg, who wishes to become a member of the society, and to join in its efforts.

After several other communications and discussions, the society adjourned to meet at Dr. J. Kitchen's, No. 215 Spruce St., on Thursday evening, the 1st of February.

An adjourned meeting was held March 29, 1855.

Drs. F. Geary and C. C. Cresson were elected members.

The regular business of the meeting was suspended; and, after adjournment, arrangements were made for the celebration of Hahnemann's centennial birth-day, on the 10th of April.

Wednesday, April 11, 1855.

The Union met, according to appointment, at Dr. Kitchen's.

Members present—Drs. S. S. Guy, of Brooklyn, N. Y., J. P. Dake, of Pittsburg, J. Kitchen, J. R. Coxe, Jr., G. Reichhelm, J. F. Geary, C. Hering, A. Lippe, W. A. Reed, C. C. Cresson, D. Cowley, R. Gardiner, L. G. Vinal, A. E. Small, S. R. Dubs, A. Fellger, and C. Neidhard.

Others present, Drs. Haynel, of Baltimore, and Goding, of Barbadoes.

Dr. Guy was called to the chair.

Dr. Haynel was introduced, by Dr. Hering, as the only one now living of the students of Hahnemann—having been an inmate of his house for seven years.

On motion of Dr. Hering, it was unanimously *Resolved*, That this Union deems itself honored by the presence, as a guest, of the only living student of Hahnemann, Dr. A. Haynel, now of Baltimore.

Dr. A. Haynel having been proposed, was unanimously elected an honorary member of this society.

Drs. Dake and Burgher, of Pittsburg, were also chosen members.

The secretary reported a letter from Dr. Humphreys, in reply to the one sent to him by order of the society; which was read, and proceedings had thereon: but, as those proceedings were of a private nature, and pertained not to this society's specific scientific objects, they are not published here. It is sufficient to state, and it is due to the honor of this society to state, that Dr. Humphreys is no longer a member of this Provers' Union.

Dr. Hering reported a letter from Dr. Hartlaub, of Reichenau, Saxony, making overtures for a reciprocity of action between the Provers' Union of Germany and the American Provers' Union. Also another from Dr. F. Guenther, of Milwaukee, containing a proving of *Anagallis arvensis*.

Under the head of new business, Dr. Dake brought forward a plan for proving medicines, &c., viz., that the provers should have no business occupation, except that of proving, and be supported from a fund raised for the purpose. Dr. Hering made some remarks on it, together with some observations on hospitals and provings.

Dr. Hering moved that a meeting of all the homoeopathic physicians of Philadelphia be called, to hear a report from the committee of arrangement for the centennial celebration, and to consult upon the establishment of a homoeopathic hospital. Carried.

On motion, it was determined, that the general meeting of homoeopathic physicians take place next Tuesday, at 8 o'clock, P. M., at the Homoeopathic College.

On motion of Dr. Hering, the stated meeting of the Union to be held in April, was appointed for Thursday, the 26th, at his residence in Twelfth Street, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

NEWS.

The celebration, announced in our last, has taken place. It was a memorable event in the history of our art in Philadelphia. Although the public had only a few days' notice, by a few lines in some of the papers, yet the hall was filled by a select audience, equal, if not superior, in intelligence and influence, to any

other of the current year. The music, in the estimation of all competent judges, was of surpassing excellence. It is enough to say, that the execution of the classical pieces was worthy of so distinguished a leader, and such masterly performers.

A meeting of the physicians was held next day; votes of thanks, too numerous to mention, were passed; a committee, consisting of Drs. Gardiner, Houard and Ashton, was appointed to publish the speeches in a cheap form, after they had appeared in the Philadelphia Journal; and another committee, to print the same in a history of all the celebrations as an album. How far the latter committee has attended to its duty, may be seen on the preceding page.

The celebration in Boston, with the address of Dr. W. E. Payne and the poem of Dr. Henry C. Preston, has been published by Otis Olapp. A full description of the celebrations in Germany is given in a separate work by Hirschel at Dessau. This, and all the others, particularly the celebration in Paris, and the meeting here in Cincinnati, we shall present in full, if we should get one thousand subscribers for the proposed Album. If we should unfortunately fail in this, and this first centennial celebration should pass without any adequate record of suitable notices of it, the antiquarians will be at fault in bringing all these notices and reports together, for the award of that judgment which is to be held in the celebration of the next century. But the toasts given at the Cincinnati meeting are too good to be withheld from general publication. They were—particularly the 7th and the 9th—the best that were given, here or elsewhere, at any or all of the celebrations of the day.

C. Ho.

CINCINNATI TOASTS.

- 1st. The memory of Hahnemann.
- 2nd. The day we celebrate—the infant of 1755, becomes in 1855 the object of our grateful homage and admiration.
- 3d. Stapf—the Melancthon of the medical reform of the nineteenth century.
- 4th. The disciples of Hahnemann—the worthy co-laborers of an illustrious master.
- 5th. The homœopathic profession throughout the world—May they perfect in the coming century what has been so well begun in the past.
- 6th. The health of our patients—As it is the most earnest aim, so it is the most fitting testimonial to the skill, of the physician.
- 7th. *Homœopathy in America—The child of Hahnemann thrives well in the cradle of liberty.*
- 8th. The Legislature of Michigan—in establishing a chair of homœopathy in the State University at Ann Arbor, have given the most convincing proof of their wisdom and liberality.
- 9th. *The laws of health, and the health of the laws—May the one be established, and the other maintained.*

The homœopathic physicians of Great Britain are preparing a complete Repertory. Every American Homœopathist should send his name and orders to the publisher he corresponds

with, so as to encourage and forward the important enterprise, which is no doubt marked with the greatest sacrifices of time and money, by scientific men like Drysdale and Dudgeon. What a difference it will be for such as have been depending on fabrications stitched together to make a living, and by publishers for money's sake. How different a concern will it be from one manufactured by impudence, printed as a humbug, and recommended by ignorance, and by ignorance only.

C. Ho.

THE LATE YELLOW FEVER EPIDEMICS

Ought to have taught the public, by experience in New Orleans, and afterwards in Savannah, how that disease was to be treated; so as to have enabled the curators of the public health, not only to publish a smaller per centage of mortality, but to say to the fell ravager, "Thus far, and no farther."

I have in vain tried to make every such epidemic a common cause with all homœopathic physicians, and with all the friends of homœopathy. Since the invention of the electric telegraph, we have been able to unite all over the union, and homœopathy, acting as one great collective man, has had the power to arrest any epidemic by the concentrate energies of all its members; and such was my proposition, while they were erecting the first line to New Orleans. That so reasonable a proposition should not have been quickly and universally acted on, is a lamentable proof that Homœopathists in this country are greatly wanting in a proper *esprit du corps*.

By general union, too, Homœopathists could form a Howard Association of their own body; and with such an association, and not without, will they be able to prove, beyond all doubt, the superiority of our doctrine.

Since 1853, when I had for the first time an opportunity of observing yellow fever, I proposed *Carbo vegetabilis* as the basis of all medical operations.

We must have a remedy suited to stay the progress of the epidemic in the community,—which, in all cases, is to be given first and alone,—some modifier, that moderates, if it does not cure, the malady. Such a remedy in cholera is the sulphur which I proposed to be given in 1834, and proved to be such in 1840, and which has been corroborated in Muenchen, Germany. A like basis of all operations against yellow fever must be the *Carbo veg.*; because the pathogenetic symptoms of this medicament correspond throughout to the characteristic symptoms of all the late epidemics. It is the greatest and the real *simile*.

It is to be used, from handfuls of coarse powder, in disinfecting rooms, pots, washbowls, shirts, &c., up to the highest potencies in water, just as sulphur is in cholera.

I have not been able to ascertain, whether, in any of the epidemics at the South, the charcoal dealers have in any instance taken the infection;

but, if my conjecture is right, they must generally, if not invariably, have escaped it.

Neither chlorine, or its compounds, nor sulphuretted hydrogen, nor any other disinfecting compound, will have such an influence; although, next to the prepared charcoal, some carbonates, or some organic acids, may.

In every case which has passed through the influence of *Carbo*, either *Aconite*, or *Belladonna*, may answer. But the similarity is very vague, or distant. *Crotalus*, *Lachesis*, or *Cantharis*, *Mancinella*, or *Solanum mammosum*, or *Sabadilla*, may be more indicated.

In Norfolk, the telegraph was deserted and not taken care of by the noble Howard Association, and our friends Campos and Hardy were left alone. May heaven save to us their valuable lives! They had to fight the battle like generals without an army! C. Hg.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The article communicated by Dr. F. Gy. is too long, and smacks too much of the boasting of mediæval nobility. We want another sort of nobility, which is in every one's reach.

That communicated by Dr. Gb. is also too long. If "The News" should be enlarged, it would be welcome. All other communications are in the printer's hands.

To Dr. Woodbury we would say, Your indignation is just; but all that could be, was done.

To Dr. G. H. Bute, in Easton, our thanks are due. We see that he is still engaged in proving medicines—a true criterion of one's progressiveness. When we find the early provers, who assisted in making the *Materia Medica Pura* of Hahnemann, still engaged in the work, we can but congratulate the community in which they live. True to the science, the science will remain true to them in their necessarily successful practice.

All Homœopaths owe thanks to Dr. Bute for his proving of *Sanguinaria Canadensis*, which he alone, by his proving, made the poly-chrest it has proved to be in the hands of homœopathic physicians; also to *Mancinella*, which, in typhoid diseases, sequelæ of scarlet fever, and very likely yellow fever, cannot be dispensed with. The proving of *Rhus vernix*, *Cistus canadensis*, *Daphne indica*, is from him alone. He has made valuable additions to the proving of *Alumina*, incorporated by Hahnemann in his work on Chronic Diseases: also to *Calc. phos.*, to all the other *Rhoes*, to *Lachesis*, *Mephitis*, &c.

Our practice is the best defence against our enemies *extra muros*, and our provings our best answer to calumniators *intra muros*. C. Hg.

QUERIES, AND QUEER ANSWERS.

(Continued from No. VI, p. 44.)

Hepar appeared to have cured a case of intermittent fever, with cold moisture upon the

skin preceding the chill, followed by a moderate degree of fever, and then intensely exhausting sweat. In Boeninghausen on Intermittent Fevers, (mentioned before,) we find, just above the two Nux vom. cases, (also mentioned before,) under Hepar, "*First perspiration, followed by chill.*"

Since the publication of that Therapeutic, Boeninghausen has added one more medicine to that trio, as may be seen in Boeninghausen's Pocket Book, N. Y. edition of 1847, page 285. There, as in the Philadelphia Journal, these strangers meet again. Astonishing!

We will here dismiss the subject, with the earnest request, that the author of the article may continue to enrich our knowledge of characteristics as well as odd symptoms, by continuing to relate his truly marvelous cures.

A. L.

In M'Elroy's Philadelphia Directory for 1855, page 686, under "Patent Medicines," we find "Rademacher and Sheek (Homœopathy) 239 Arch!" In the Directory for the previous year, we do not find them reported as engaged in that trade. There are two more firms in this city, that are homœopathic apothecaries, who, as Homœopaths, are not classed in said Directory among the vendors of patent medicines. Did any body hear or see of "*The Specific for Croup*"? and whether or not this homœopathic specific has been patented? and by whom?

A. L.

EXTRACTS:

Bleeding from Extracting Teeth.—Dr. S. A. Cartwright, of New Orleans, publishes, in the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal of March 22d, his admirable invention, which will take the place of the nonsensical ploughs, the always injurious styptics, and the barbarous red-hot iron.

"A pledget of raw cotton, without force, inserted in the cavity, a common tourniquet is applied over the head: the pad placed on the side of the cheek over the bleeding gum and the screw over the pad."

The circle of the bandage, obliquely, horizontal, or otherwise, depending on the places to be pressed, "a few turns of the screw, without giving pain, are sufficient."

This is a beautiful illustration of the maxims spoken of in my lectures on surgery and its regeneration by homœopathy. The true opposite is the true simile, mechanical as well as chemical and dynamical.

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tract upon; and, in severe cases, to resort to the tourniquet, to make the lateral pressure:—"not exactly lateral, but somewhat diagonally, so as to act upon the yielding part of the alveolar process that incloses the tooth." C. Hg.

FIRST HUNDRED MISTAKES.

27. Jahr's New Manuel, under *Iodine*, page 872, 19th line from the top, "Oppression" has been left out before "continued desire to weep."

28. Same page, lines 19 and 20, ought to read, "*Anxiety*, with *oppression* of the chest, or with *despondency*; occupied only with the present."

29. After "crazy," this whole symptom is left out, "Aversion to sit still."

30. Line 20 from the bottom, under the caption *Head*, which caption stands six lines too high, "dullness of the head," should have been left out, the last of that sentence belonging to the previous symptom.

31. Page 873, 7th line from the top, after "head," is left out, "as also in the occiput, and relieved while lying."

32. In the same line, after "motion," is left out, "Throbbing in the forehead."

33. Page 873, 11th line from the bottom, this symptom has been left out, "bleeding of the nose when blowing the nose."

34. Page 873, 5th line from the bottom, "pale ghastly look," should be read instead of "pale face."

35. Page 873, 2d line from below, after "smoked," is left out, "frequent sudden redness of the face, with burning of the ears."

36. Page 874, 18th line from the top, under *Mouth*, the first symptom is left out—"Small blisters in the mouth, with swelling of the gums."

37. In the same line, "also with ulcers in the mouth," is left out after "mercurial ptyalism."

38. Page 874, 14th line from the bottom, "smarting and pinching in the tonsils," is left out.

39. In the next line, is left out, "Swelling and elongation of the pallet also, with much spitting of mucus."

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—particularly before a thunder storm—even in dysentery indicated by this. (C. Hg.)

4. *Rhus*—Has aggravation from the warmth of the bed, and as a general characteristic; in consequence of stretching, overlifting, overexertion of joints, &c., or from getting wet while perspiring.

5. *Rhod.*—Acts more on the right side; and, according to Benninghousen, *Rhus* more on the left.

6. There is not much known about the direction of either; or which side is first affected, and which afterwards. Cases cured would be worth recording, if the order of sides had been observed. Provers ought to do the same.

7. *Rhod.* has aggravation of pains in the night, but more towards morning; *Rhus*, more towards evening and night.

8. *Rhus* corresponds to rheumatism in the cold season; *Rhod.*, in the hot season. *Rhod.* worse before, and *Rhus* worse after, rain.

EPIDEMICS.

Of last Spring and Summer in Philadelphia.

The second week of February, a violent N. W. wind prevailed, which was followed by influenza.

The principal medicines against this epidemic were, Belladonna, Arsenic, Ammon. mur., Ammon. carb., Phosph., Bromine, Bryonia, Lachesis.

It was characteristic for—

Belladonna—Chill, followed by fever; chill and fever alternating; chilly whenever the position in which one lies is changed; throbbing headache; red face; aversion to light; inflammation of the throat; pain in the back, as if it would break; pain in all the limbs; some discharge from the nose; dry, hard, periodical or barking cough, with headache and pain in the abdomen.

Arsenic—Profuse watery discharge from the nose, excoriating the nostrils and making the upper lip sore.

Ammonium muriaticum—Watery discharge from the nose; nose stopped up; can only breathe through the nose; cough; hoarseness and burning in the larynx.

Ammon. carb.—Fluent coryza, with stoppage of the nose, and cough after midnight, (2 to 3 o'clock, A. M.)

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40. Vol. I of Jahr's New Manuel, p. 487, under Chenopodium, 11th line from the bottom, "with coldness of the legs," should read "with coldness of the feet up to the knees."

41. Ibid., p. 488, 25th line from the top, the first words "the bladder," should read "the glans."

42. Ibid., same page, 28th line, after night, one of the most valuable symptoms of Chenopodium, is left out—while urinating, burning in the urethra, especially at the end of it.

43. Ibid., p. 485, under *Eyes*, there is wanting—Pressure on the eyes; pressing down the lids, especially the left; or between the eyebrows, with tearing, disappearing after eating.

44. Ibid., 6th line from the top, after "pale countenance," "redness without heat," is omitted.

45. Ibid., "grubbing tearing in the upper jaw," is omitted before "pale countenance."

46. Ibid., 8th line from the top, "especially on the chin," is omitted after "face."

47. Ibid., 7th line, "Dry coryza, with partial stoppage," ought to read "Stoppage of the nose; dry coryza; also with one-sided stoppage of the nose."

48. Ibid., "tension on the right side of the nose," is left out.

49. Ibid., "itching of the nose," is left out.

50. Ibid., under *Mouth, Pharynx* and *Œsophagus*, "dryness of the mouth, with thirst," is left out.

51. Ibid., there is an omission of "roughness and burning of the throat."

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