wait a reasonable length of time before deciding that his prescription was an erroneous one. Haste at this point has spoiled many a case.

Prompt and continued improvement both mentally and physically is almost certain evidence of a bull's eye prescription. Aggravation first, with definite improvement following, is a sure sign of good homœopathic action. Prompt, dramatic amelioration in a chronic case with known pathology is evidence that the remedy is correct but aggravation will almost surely follow. This generally means a long case and the situation must be explained to the patient or he will give up the treatment that would ultimately correct the trouble and restore his health.

The remedy that fully palliates an incurable case is invariably the correct one. Euthanasia induced by the remedy is indicative of its homeopathic relationship to the symptoms.

There is no therapy more versatile in its application to all forms and stages of sickness than is Homeopathy. The drug that fully covers the symptom pattern of the patient meets every therapeutic requirement. A near similar will always prove disappointing and will never completely cure any form of sickness or disease.

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LISTEN TO THE STORY OF GABRIELLE

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At intervals—short intervals these days—the reading public gets monumental portrayals of medicine in the usual pattern, in terms that seem plausible. The Story of Gabrielle, told by the little girl's mother out of a devout mother's heart, stirs the soul and arouses adoration for the spirit in which the pure and the brave can meet tragic disappointment. It also tells step by step the medical procedures the little girl underwent as if they

were the only kind possible, leaving the reader with the image of a God who has made no better provision for His children.

The Story of Gabrielle, by Catherine Gabrielson, The World Publishing Company, New York, January, 1957, was condensed in the December number of The Reader's Digest, which brings it before the largest magazine circulation in the world (reportedly between 11,000,000 and 12,000,000) even before it appears as a book. Unless there is a voice for Homæopathy, that reader audience, plus the circulation of the book itself, will suppose that The Story of Gabrielle is the true story of medicine, that there is nothing more reliable or more scientific open to the modern physician, that the materialistic cruelties of treatment presented in the narrative are unavoidable and from the standpoint of medicine that they show a heroic struggle against hopeless odds on the highest plane of learning.

Our hats off, then, to Dr. Shadman, who now considers The Story of Gabrielle in the light of Homæopathy. We hope that he will prove to be one of many. Homæopaths cannot afford to let the science and art of medicine be pictured for them out of misunderstanding. Neither can the lay public afford to be misled where health and life itself are at stake.—Ed., L.S.

I wish everybody in the world could read the December 1956 issue of *The Reader's Digest* and give his soul-searching consideration to an article describing the sickness and death of a nine-year old little girl named Gabrielle. This article was poignantly written in the heart-blood of the anguished mother.

We read only too frequently of the misfortunes of many children, such as that of the two little boys who were blinded for life when their eyes were removed by surgery because of alleged malignancy.

Now the crowning touch—the story of this little girl's sickness and death, together with the additional suffering she was forced to bear at the hands of her doctors, was the most harrowing one I have ever read. It affected all of my friends who read it the same way. This little girl died from a condition that should never have occurred. She died of an alleged cancerous growth. No child should ever have cancer. It has only been of late years that children suffer from this dread

illness. It has always been heretofore a disease of middle life or old age. Today cancer in its various manifestations is the No. 1 killer of children. Why?

Many will read Gabrielle's story, weep and then forget it. I have wept, but I will not forget it. I hope you will not forget it.

If a sufficient number of people will remember and in their righteous indignation demand better doctors, better medical measures and *real research* (instead of that for which so many millions of dollars have been donated in vain), then your children and their children will never suffer the fate of this little girl and the two little boys I mentioned. If no change is made—who knows?—your children may be the next, for mark you well, there will be many thousands more of these innocent victims.

It usually takes a lifetime of repeated errors in living to develop the insidious growth of cancer, and this has been an accepted fact for centuries; but suddenly, some sinister influence has begun its deadly work and forced upon innocent little children the development of this malignancy. Cancer never comes to a person from the outside. It comes from within man; of himself and by himself. Children have not lived long enough to develop a cancerous condition on their own through the aforementioned improper living. Cancer is forced on them by others, not consciously nor purposely, but through ignorance, bigotry and greed. The money-mad men, men who control the orthodox medical profession, men who manufacture drugs for sale and whose sole business in life is to reap vast fortunes by the sale of deadly drugs and vaccines, represent the greed, and they share this evil responsibility with the ignorance and bigotry which prevails today in orthodox medicine.

Over a period of many years, groups of self-appointed individuals under the aegis of various cancer societies have asked for and received billions of dollars of the people's money for so-called research. This research up to the present moment has not produced one iota of knowledge as to the cause, prevention or cure of this dread ailment. They certainly have had enough time and plenty of money. Why then this failure?

It is because they have looked upon cancer as an entity, a thing by itself, which gets into the body from the outside, overlooking the fact that it may be of intrinsic origin. They then study the abnormal tissue—the growth itself—taken from the patient, looking for a germ or virus which is supposed to have originated it. As this growth is the end result and not the cause, such studies therefore are futile. In reality, it is the disturbance of the patient's vital force which produced the cancer.

As each individual makes his own cancer, as well as his own particular brand, it would be natural to direct a careful study of each individual so afflicted. If this were done, very soon people could be shown how to avoid the development of this malignant condition. It may be noted that cancer in children has increased in direct ratio to the increased practice of vaccination and "immunization." This is very significant and should be thoroughly investigated.

I would like to quote Mr. Fitz Roy Anderson's open letter to the President of the United States on "Medical Sabotage and Exploitage of Veterans Relief": "Our fighting men were selected for service because of their exceptionally fine condition of health and ability to withstand the rigors of war, but today many of them who never saw active service are chronic invalids. Small wonder that an honarable member of the Canadian Parliament recently arose and called attention to the fact that of these strong healthy young men who went away to war, 24 a day are now seeking hospitalization for cancer. Let the great doctors and pseudo-scientists who are the authorities who endorse these practices answer that, if they can." (*Practices* refers to vaccination and "immunization.")

I have practiced homoeopathic, scientific, curative medicine very successfully for 53 years. I had my own hospital of 165 beds. On the courtesy staff were 500 or more orthodox physicians largely because Homoeopathy does not fill hospitals. I thus had an unprecedented opportunity to compare the methods of the treatment of the two schools—Allopathy and Homoeopathy. Whether or not this little girl could have been cured by scientific, homoeopathic treatment, I do not know. The kind of

treatment she did get certainly could not be expected to effect a cure. It was not so intended, but such treatment has often killed stronger patients than she was. I know, because I have seen it with my own eyes.

To form an opinion about this little girl's sickness, I should have to know the habits of her parents, what illnesses they had had and when, what was the state of their health at the time of her conception, was the mother exposed to X-ray in any way while carrying the child? The importance avoiding the danger of X-ray is shown by a study of its effects in the following reference.*

Was the seed from which Gabrielle came healthy or sick? Was it tainted with venereal disease, alcohol, nicotine, drugs, serum, X-ray? What previous illness did the little girl suffer, what drugs were given her, what kind and how many immunization shots, was she vaccinated against small pox, when, how many times? If research was made along these lines—the study of the patient—success would soon crown the effort. There was never a vaccine or serum that prevented, mitigated or cured any sickness known to man. The practice of so-called "immunization" is based on the premise that if a person suffers from any of the so-called contagious diseases and survives, he is thereafter immune to the disease. It is a well-known fact that children will and do develop diphtheria even though they were "immunized." It is a well-known fact that vaccinated people develop smallpox after many vaccinations and they are usually the fatal cases. Most people seem to believe that the common cold is caused by a virus. This belief is fostered by

^{*} Among the foreign letters in the AMA Journal of November 3, 1956, is an article from Great Britain entitled, "Cancer and Leukemia in Children," which states: "A recent extensive survey has been made of children under 16 years of age who have died of leukemia or cancer. From this survey it would appear that the number of mothers of leukemic children who had a radiological examination of their abdomens during pregnancy was twice that of the mothers who did not. This was also true of the mothers of children dying from cancer."

Orthodox medicine, but people get colds over and over again. Formerly a cold was believed to be caused by a germ, but having failed to find it, the profession has settled for "virus." Pneumonia, venereal diseases, etc., can be developed over and over again in the individual. Therefore, where does that leave the theory of "immunization"?

It is a known and accepted fact that all vaccines and serums are dangerous and often prove deadly and they run into big money. How much longer must mankind submit to the prevailing practice of commercial-minded Orthodox medicine?

The thought goes through my mind that perhaps God in His inscrutable and infinite wisdom is using the case of this little girl and the inspired recording of it by her mother to shock the people out of their complacent acceptance of prevailing Orthodox medicine and into the realization that there is something better. This happened before, and it can happen again.

The first time it happened was when Hahnemann revolted not only against the senseless cruelty but the utter uncertainty of lawless medicine. He says: "My sense of duty would not allow me to treat the unknown pathological state of my suffering brethren with these unknown medicines. If they be not exactly suitable (and how could the physicians know that, since their specific effects have not been demonstrated), they might with their strong potency easily change life into death or induce new and chronic maladies often more difficult to eradicate than the original disease. The thought of becoming in this way a murderer or a malefactor toward the life of my fellow human beings was most terrible for me; so terrible and disturbing that I wholly gave up my practice in the first years of my married life and occupied myself solely with chemistry and writing."

Then in the anguish of impotence when one of his own children was ill and suffering terribly from the treatment she underwent, he set his soul to discover, as he expressed it, "if God had not indeed given some law whereby the diseases of mankind would be cured."

"Where," he cried in that hour of agony, "where can I

obtain certain and sure help with our present knowledge based as it is only on vague observation, hypothetical opinions and the abitrary views of disease in our pathology?" "Can it be," he asks, "that the nature of this science is incapable of certainty? Shameful, blesphemous thought: that Infinite Wisdom should be unable to create the means of assuaging the suffering of His creatures. Surely there must be a reliable way of regarding disease from the right angle and for determining the specific, safe and reliable use of medicines."

To the patient seeker of truth and law, revelation comes sooner or later, and so it was with Hahnemann. After years of deep study and experimentation, the law he sought came to him as a flash of inspiration—The Law of Similars—let likes be treated by likes—and for the first time in the history of medicine, the means for safely and surely prescribing curative medicine were made available. This law depends on the fact that a remedy which can cure a case of sickness must be able to cause the same kind of sickness in the healthy person.

When the discovery of this Law of Nature was made known, it spread all over the earth. The extent of its use was limited only by the time that it took to develop physicians who could properly apply it. In due time, it penetrated every nation in the world. Cures were easily made in cases which were hitherto deemed incurable. The first ones to adopt, study and practice Homœopathy were the men most learned in the ranks of Orthodoxy. Their enthusiasm prompted deep, careful and continuous study. They became great physicians. They have never been surpassed. They found that in treating sickness it was the vital force within the individual that needed help; that medicine must be applied in a very finely attenuated state to suit the spirit-like vital force. It was soon discovered that medicine reduced to such a state cost very little to cure any individual case. Immediately, as this became generally known, the apothacaries and pharmaceutical interests rose in arms and shouted "Down with Homocopathy," as they realized that their very lucrative business would be wiped out absolutely and completely if homœopathic medicine was allowed to survive. It is a long, sad and sordid story, a near triumph for the greed of man, that it finally succeeded in practically wiping out (especially in the U.S.) the chance of the only real curative medicine known, and instead promoting commercial drugging more deadly and costly than hitherto known. Should any man or group of men be allowed to raise a hand to prevent the universal use of this great Law of Nature which cures all curable diseases of man or beast, gently, safely, surely?

Should not every man be proud to do all in his power to speed the day when all sick people will and can share the blessings of this wonderful Law of Nature—God's Law?

If the story of this little girl's sickness and death should be instrumental in rolling back the prevailing iron curtain of orthodox medicine to let in the blessings of true, scientific, curative medicine—Homœopathy—then her life will not have been sacrificed in vain.

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NUX VOMICA

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I think St. Paul, that wonderful little man, was obviously Nux vomica. Proud, full of burning zeal, impatient and capable of flaring up even in his latter years, how he would have responded to this remedy. If it is true that he suffered with a painful Trachoma which disfigured his appearance he might have been cured by Nux vomica. The constitutional remedy can cure almost anything in the patient.

I remember a doctor in hospital, small and pugnacious, who needed Nux vomica very badly, but I only knew it then as a species of tonic. He always carried a chip on his shoulder and woe betide the outpatient who ventured to argue. The saliva would gather on his lips like foam.