

waist, and the fluid allowed to syphon out. The process is repeated until the water returns quite clear. The washing should be repeated every day for a week or ten days, and during that time the diet should be restricted to milk or a little meat; then the washing may be done every second or third day, and finally abandoned at the end of three weeks. The advantages claimed for this method are that it is efficacious, simple, and safe, and it certainly is worth a trial in intractable cases of chronic dyspepsia,—a disease which makes its victims a burden to themselves and their friends, and hitherto has brought but little credit to physicians.—*Canadian Scientific Monthly*.

THE HITTITES.

IN this age of discoveries the triumphs of Archæology and Philosophy keep pace with those of Physical Science. The last triumph is the disinterment of the Empire of the Hittites, a race associated in the Bible with the Amorites, the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and as we have been used to think, their equal in obscurity, but now declared to have extended, reigned, and left monuments of its power from the Euphrates and the border of Egypt to the Ægean. The supposed evidences of this discovery are collected in a work just published by Dr. William Wright, with a decipherment of inscriptions by Professor Sayce, a Hittite map, and fac-similes of Hittite inscriptions. Dr. Williams asserts that his revelations prove the Bible true by contemporary and corroborative evidence, putting to rout Dr. Francis Newman and all other skeptical critics of the Biblical references to the Hittites; and that the same memorials, being deciphered, confirm the Bible and bring to light a lost empire. The Hittites, it seems, contended for ascendancy with the kings of Egypt, the victory of one of whom over them has been celebrated by the Egyptian "Poet Laureate," a bard worthy of the royal patronage, since he has described the king, when deserted by his own charioteers, as