

recommended by Lubrech—done upwards and confined to the cornea. The lens on presenting was caught by upper section of wound. By pressing this down with the spatula it escaped easily. No other complication attended or followed the operation. On the 3rd day I examined the eye. The wound was healed and the cornea clear. On the 5th the bandages were removed, and a floating shade of black cloth replaced them. On the 8th he was allowed protective glasses and was able to leave the house, with the eye well guarded from light and dust, to take exercise. At the end of the month I fitted him with glasses. With + 8 D. vision = $\frac{2}{3}$ (reads De Wecker No. 7 at distance) with + 12 D. reads clearly newspaper type at 10 inches.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the CANADA LANCET.

SIR,—The following questions have occurred to me in an hour or two of leisure, and are submitted for consideration, not that they present any new features, for undoubtedly every physician in ordinary practice has mentally asked the same, but to show some prevalent faults and to draw attention to matters pertaining to the welfare of our profession. Besides, it was thought that they would be a departure from the ordinary and monotonous style of medical reading so constantly subjected to our notice.

I. Why are there so many physicians engaged in other employments outside of their profession, who delight in a semi-philanthropic practice to the discouragement of others who endeavor to excel in, and who live solely by their profession?

II. Why are there so many among us who, in consideration of their length of practice, seem to deem it an honor to subscribe to the virtues of "Domestic Medicines," "Every Man his own Doctor," "Household Physician," and similar works?

III. Why is it that now and then a physician in good health, and doing (as he says) a \$3,000 or \$4,000 a year practice, will accept a position which brings in one-half or less of the above?

IV. Why do some Physician-Druggists allow themselves to act as vendors of such remedies as "Sir Jas. Clarke's" and "Lady Huntingdon's"

female pills, which are directed to be used with caution (?) at certain times?

V. Why do ministers of the gospel whom we, as a rule, attend without any pecuniary reward, whenever occasion presents itself at the bedside of one of their flock, interfere with the instructions of the physician, or tell about some similar cases wherein different treatment was beneficially used?

VI. Why is it that among these same reverend gentlemen there exist some who, without admitting any medical knowledge or having pursued medical studies, insult the regular profession with announcements of some specific "croup and diphtheria" compound, life saving pill or compound?

VII. Who is to blame for the ignorance existing among the public in regard to the distinction between patent medicines and well established therapeutic preparations, and where is there a man outside of the fraternity or drug business who understands why we prescribe Syr. Hypophosph. Co. (Fellows) and not "Dandelion Blood Purifier"?

VIII. Do our young physicians go to Europe for extra degrees or extra knowledge?

IX. Are not our nauseous and muddy mixtures advancing the interests of Homeopathy and the patent medicine business?

X. Why as a rule do many of our town and village brethren keep such filthy offices, filthy bottles of all sizes, colors, and shapes (pickle bottles are not uncommonly noticeable), when they know that neatness, cleanliness and order pay well?

"An' then a' doctors' saws and whittles
Of a' dimensions, shapes, an' mettles,
A' kind of boxes, mugs, an' bottles
He's sure to hae;
Their Latin names as fast he rattles
As A. B. C."

XI. Is there a physician of several years' practice who will deny the utility of a series of lectures to a graduating class pertaining to the ordinary duties and obligations of the profession to itself, and the public—and other minor details of a purely practical and business order, which so many of us have learned by sad experience and needless expense?

Yours, etc.,

QUEROR.

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