

our therapy clean, reliable and trustworthy, is entirely laudable and commendable. The extent to which some of these gentlemen are permitting their enthusiasm to carry them is lamentable. The judgment passed upon many of the pharmaceutical preparations which have stood the test of time for years in the practices of thousands of successful medical men, has seemed hasty and ill-advised. To one who is prejudiced in neither direction, who endeavors to look at the matter with perfect fairness, it is very questionable if it is right that a small faction of the American Medical Association should use the organ used by all of the members to condemn or detract from the reputation of long established pharmaceutical preparations, many of which are used regularly by a large part of the membership of the Association. The manufacture and sale of pharmaceutical preparations is, and must be, commercial in its character. It can never be strictly professional. The average preparation which has been used by medical men of intelligence for years with good results must have something in its favor, even if its manufacturers are not willing to conduct their business exactly as we may wish to dictate. I have no desire to uphold in any way the secret medical nostrum, but I question, as a matter of fairness, the propriety of attacking any well-tried preparation until it is demonstrated beyond reasonable doubt that the members of the Association are opposed rather than being users of the preparation in question. Those who have been placed in positions of power--which may be used for the accomplishment of evil as well as good—should appreciate that such an office is one of trust, and there should be an effort to carry out the will and wish of the majority rather than to be led by personal prejudice or petty motives. G. T. P. *The Chicago Clinic and Pure Water Journal.*

#### IN NEURALGIC DYSMENORRHEA.

We find those cases which suffer from rheumatism, gout, malaria, usually anemic, of a highly susceptible nervous temperament, and often hysterical. The woman's general condition has an intimate relation with her suffering, and in treatment should receive its full share of attention. Many women frequently state that they suffer only when run down, overworked, or nervous and worried. A leading physician states in regard to this condition: "I have seen menstrual suffering, if not entirely cured, at least much lessened by the building up of a generally run down system." Pepto-Mangan (Gude), a chalybeate tonic of tested merit, has proven of inestimable value in rebuilding run down condition of the general system. In anemia, amenorrhœa and dysmenorrhœa, menorrhœgia, metrorrhœgia, etc., its action has been prompt and efficacious to a marked degree. It does not distress the stomach or produce nervous sequelæ.