

and judge for themselves, or believe others, would be doing God service.

We need not expect a *miraculous* "light above the brightness of the sun" to arrest the Medical Pharisee in this course of calumny and persecution, while we have *ample* means in our own hands to stop this disgrace to the Medical Profession. If *reason* and *argument* fail to convince the aristocratical loving members of the Legislature, that *Medical Reform* and *Freedom* are as necessary to the people's welfare as is political and religious liberty. We *can do it* through the press, by public lectures and at the hustings; until this is done, the great favored Medical class, will, as heretofore, be more distinguished for their proficiency in the science of \* *Haughty culture* than in that of any other science. Although we regret that a portion of the Profession has so far degraded itself by falsehood and calumny, yet there is no reason for Thomsonians, or other M. Reformer following their example and using their language. Our *cause* does not require it. We ask nothing for ourselves in the name of the public; which we are unwilling to grant to others.—We are glad, however, that since these people *will* deal in calumny, that it has come out *openly*, as this will lead to a more rigid investigation of the lists of mortality in the different systems of practice. From an investigation like this we have nothing to fear, but we should not be surprised if it convinced some of our opponents ere it is done with, that they had better have taken the following advice of Dr. Morrell to Dr. Battie.

"Confine yourself to *License* given  
Nor dare beyond your trade,  
Though you are free to kill the living  
Yet pray thee, spare the dead.

We not only concede to many of them, the merit some of them refuse to us, that of *Honesty* and *Sincerity* in their Medical errors, but we have abundant, and gratifying proof that many of them, especially in the neighboring States, are opening their eyes to Medical truth as the following renunciations, made and published by experienced and distinguished M. D's. will show. We commend the list to the especial attention of those regulars, who have hitherto contrived to remain ignorant of the fact, that a single one of their number ever renounced their system, in favor of Thomsonism.

Dr. S. Robinson, M. D., says—"I have renounced the *poisoning* and *depleting practice* *altogether*, and from this day forward my life

\* A term lately brought into use, to designate the art of promoting aristocratical class ascendancy.

shall be spent in diffusing a knowledge of the excellency and superiority of the Thomsonian system, however much I may be abused by my former brethren."

Dr. John P. Lambert, M. D., of Springville, Pa., in his renunciation of the old poisoning practice, says—"I have been led to abandon the mineral practice altogether, and am happy to say that I now meet with *success* in the cure of disease, where before I only met with disappointment and chagrin.

"The baneful influence of the mineral practice," continues Dr. Lambert, "has consigned MILLIONS to the tomb, and I may safely add that MILLIONS will yet meet with a similar fate, offering themselves willing sacrifices upon the altar of medical caprice."

Dr. Stephen Butts, M. D., of Indiana, in 1837, wrote to Dr. Samuel Thomson as follows—"About 15 years ago, when a resident of the state of New-York, I became acquainted with your son Cyrus. At that time I was a 'regular' practioner of the old mineral school, and had been so for ten years; but the unshaken confidence which pour son Cyrus placed in your mode of practice, planted in my breast the seeds of discontent and investigation, which after two years ended in the sacrifice of (truth? No,) *SCIENTIFIC PRIDE* upon the altar of universal benevolence to mankind.

"I purchased a set of your books," continues Dr. Butts, "which with one year's study enabled me to become a much better physician than *four years' study* and *ten years' practice* did upon the old system.\* My success has exceeded all previous expectations; my loss of patients during 13 years not exceeding 2 per year—although my practice has been constant and extensive, and like all other Thomsonian physicians, I have had to encounter almost all the difficult and far gone cases in all the surrounding country." ††

\*\* It is frequently said by way of objection that Thomsonian physicians do not study *long enough* and that one or two years cannot qualify a man to prescribe to the sick. Now here we have the voluntary assertion of an experienced and able man, who had himself tested the matter, that one year devoted to the study of the Botanic system made him a much better physician than *all his study* and *practice on the old school plan*.

†† This remark is too obvious to need proof; wherever Thomsonism has been introduced a large majority of cases placed in the hands of Botanic physicians are those which the calomel doctors have tinkered and tampered with until their bodies are literally filled with *poisonous minerals*, and being brought to death's door are deemed fit subjects for the despised "steam doctor!" who is expected to restore them to health after *science* (?) has been unable to perform a cure! Thomsonians have to