

homœopathy consists in the assumption of the followers of Hahnemann, that their principles are based on a fixed physiological law, "*similia similibus curantur*." Persons of intelligence who are conversant with the absolute sciences, look through our works in vain for anything approaching a scientific principle to guide the practitioner, consequently without investigating for themselves, the truth of the homœopathic law, as it offers the semblance of a guide, embrace the most flagrant error ever propounded. Let this physiological law once be established, and its principles incorporated in school treatises, and charlatanism will disappear before its light as did astrology and alchemy before the superior blazes of astronomy and chemistry, or as mythology vanished before the effulgence of natural philosophy. The rising generation becoming familiar with the laws that govern their being, will no sooner trust their system, when requiring repair, to the hands of one ignorant of physiological laws, than they would a costly and intricate piece of mechanism requiring repair, to a person wholly unacquainted with mechanical laws.

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COMPOUND FRACTURE OF THE SKULL.—LOSS OF BONE AND BRAIN.—RECOVERY.

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On the evening of the 16th of July last, I was called to attend a boy aged about ten years, who had been injured by a fall from a horse while going at a rapid pace. The lesion was a compound fracture at the middle of the superior portion of the left parietal bone, with considerable laceration of the brain. The broken piece of bone was nearly an inch and three-quarters long, three quarters of an inch broad at one end, and three-eighths of an inch at the other. One edge of this piece was driven down into the brain in such a manner that its surfaces occupied a position perpendicular to their original situation, while the other edge remained *in situ*, being still attached to the solid