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THE LITTLE THINGS HOMŒOPATHY CAN DO.

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Since Homœopathy has become a standard and recognized practice in the domain of medicine her advocates have not found it necessary to be always aggressive and acting continuously on the offensive. The educational campaign inaugurated by the early pioneers in the field has borne a bountiful harvest. The Homœopathic physicians to-day are among the most prominent in the profession. Their practices include within their clientele, people of the highest refinement and education in all walks of life. In fact it is from the ranks of the wealthy and educated that Homœopathy draws the majority of her patrons. Her physicians have become busy and influential men and from this very fact arises the reason for writing this paper.

Our Homœopathic physicians have become so well supplied with patients that a large majority of them never mention the word Homœopathy to their

friends. They make as many nice cures as of old, and quietly let the credit of such be placed to their own personality, but give no mention of the system which enables them to accomplish these things with such apparent ease after their Allopathic competitor has tried his skill in vain. No one wishes to deny that the credit for these cures is due to each physician who performs them. It is no child's task to make an accurate Homœopathic prescription. It requires much study and a careful attention to details. Each case requires careful individualizing, and therefore the physician deserves all credit for each cure he makes. That does not require discussing, for each patient receiving such benefit usually unhesitatingly gives due credit to his or her physician for the relief obtained.

However, there is another side of the question to be considered, and that is the complete ignorance of our patients of the power that is benefiting them—of the truths of Homœopathy. This works an injustice to the cause of Homœopathy as well as to the patient. One of our patients whom we have cared for for years moves to another city. She there is taken ill and calls in a physician. She does not know but that they are all the same, and chances to call in an Allopath. She gets larger doses of medicine and does not derive the benefits that she did from her former physician, so she attributes the result to—perhaps her own changed condition, but very likely “that her old physician, who had doctored her so long understood her requirements.” So she