

TESTIMONY.

The older physicians grow, the more skeptical they become as to the virtue of medicine.—**PROF. JOSEPH SMITH, M.D.**

Drugs do not cure disease; disease is always cured by the *vis medicatrix natura*.—**PROF. JAS. M. SMITH, M.D.**

Blisters nearly always produce death when applied to children—**PROF. C. R. GILMAN, M.D.**

Digitalis (foxglove) has hurried thousands to the grave.—**PROF. D. HOSACK, M.D.**

More harm than good has been done by the use of drugs in the treatment of measles, scarlatina, and other self-limited diseases.—**PROF. ALONZO CLARK, M.D.**

Bleeding in pneumonia doubles the mortality.—**PROF. H. G. COX, M.D.**

The drugs which are administered for the cure of scarlet fever and measles kill more than those diseases do.—**PROF. B. F. BARKER, M.D.**

As we place more confidence in nature, and less in the preparations of the apothecary, mortality diminishes.—**PROF. WILLARD PARKER, M.D.**

Opium *increases* the nerve force.—**PROF. B. F. BARKER, M.D.**

Opium *diminishes* the nerve force.—**PROF. E. H. DAVIS, M.D.**

We do not know whether our patients recover because we give medicine, or because nature cures them.—**PROF. J. W. CARSON, M.D.**

The action of remedies is a subject entirely beyond our comprehension.—**PROF. JOHN B. BECK, M.D.**

In that auspicious day, when sanitary subjects shall be delegated to a parliament of ladies, there can be little doubt that the honorable members will forthwith recur to the practice of the Israelites, as illustrated in Ex. i. 15-21., and enact that none but the Shiphrahs and Puahs of their sex shall approach a woman in her hour of trial.

Did it ever occur to anyone how hopelessly the insane in our asylums are left in the hands of practitioners who are pledged to a prescribed mode of treatment? and that, be the knowledge of anyone outside, what it may, the dogs within the medical manger would resent any suggestion that was not in accordance with their tradition, and this sustained by a parliament as ignorant of the subject as the hapless inmates themselves.

In a conversation held between the Editor and an honest physician of Toronto, the former informed the physician that he had no faith in his fraternity, and the doctor replied that so far as he was concerned, he left nature to do her own work very much; in a subsequent conversation between the same persons, the doctor told the Editor that when he commenced practice, a more *advanced* practitioner remarked that he would ruin the rest of the profession if he restored his patients so speedily as he did. The *advanced* was of that eminently orthodox school, which batten, maggot-like, on popular ignorance.

“ PLACEMUS.”

The above harmless Latin word, when translated, means “we please”; when occurring in a physician’s prescription, it communicates the fact—“we please”—to give colored water.

Ask your druggist for a dose of “placemus,” and pay for it, if you think proper.

Who shall affirm that the medical profession has not the best of reasons for seeking the protection of the law?