

MODERN HOMEOPATHY.

A Review of its History and Present Condition

HISTORY.

Homeopathy is not a new thing. In the Sanscrit poem of Sringara Tilaka, B. C. 56, Kalidasa refers to the principle. Hippocrates alluded to it in clear and decided words. Shakespeare, in Henry III Part 2, Act 1, Sc. 1, indicates that the theory held a prominent place in the Elizabethan era.

In its present form Homeopathy owes much to that greatest of the clinical observers of his age, Samuel Hahneman. Through many years of severe hardship he investigated and studied this dual action of drugs, until in Hufeland's Journal in 1796, he was able to give to the world a Theory of Therapeutics which his own clinical experience convinced him to be the true and rational method of curing diseased conditions. The writings of Hahneman form the foundation from which has risen, with amazing rapidity, the modern system of therapeutics known as Homeopathy. Hahneman was the founder of Homeopathy, but the Homeopathy of to-day is a vastly greater, grander, more complete and different system from the Homeopathy as set forth in his writings. At the present day Homeopathic practitioners exist in every part of the civilized world. Some of our best original work comes from Russia, France, Spain, India and Brazil. At present the Homeopathic journals of this continent rival in number, scientific information, original work and in circulation, those of the Dominant or so-called "Regular" School. (A greater misnomer cannot be imagined, for no two "Regular" text-books, no two "Regular" men agree on the treatment of a given case. While,

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