

be coming so at the upper junction, and the patient made his first essay at walking, the leg being supported by only a slight brace. Dr. Vischer considered that the boy's leg was saved, and the operation a success in every respect.

### HOMEOPATHY IN MEXICO.

The following despatch to the New York Times, dated August 20th, shows that Homeopathy is gaining ground in other countries, as well as in the United States. "The Homeopaths here are jubilant over securing Government recognition in their School of Medicine. It is now two years since Gen. Diaz became interested in Homeopathy, on viewing its successful use in his family, and gave his consent to establish a Homeopathic hospital here."

"The hospital has shown such excellent results as to greatly gratify the President. He has issued a decree giving Governmental sanction to the establishment of a national Homeopathic college of medicine and surgery, which will be finely equipped, and in which students may have the same severe and ample course of training as in Allopathic colleges of medicine."

### SIMILIA SIMILIBUS CURANTUR.

Our aesthetic Board of Public Safety has seen proper to place one-fifth of the patients at the City Hospital in charge of the homeopaths.

It would be a gray horse of another color if one of the members of the board were to accidentally lose an arm and then be placed in the homeopathic ward. On the principle of "like cures like," the eminent member would lose the other arm to homeopathic surgeon.

We clip the above from one of our esteemed exchanges. Let us quit indulging in such drivel. It is a disgrace to an honorable and learned profession to stoop to such narrowness. If we can not stay the progress of what we conceive to be a fallacy by an appeal to reason, let us not weaken our position by resorting to the methods of a mountebank.—[Journal of Mat., Med., Terre Haute, Ind.]

### GOOD SENSE.

Editor Journal Materia Medica:

Dear Doctor,—I am sick of seeing men turn up their noses at something they do not try, or are incapable of understanding. Your editorial note in the June Journal is apt and to the point. If it of any use, longer, to try to convince a so-called "gullible public" when the regulars have failed to cure and a homeopath is called in and cures, that there is "nothing in it," or that "it is

a humbug?" The so-called public are not, in my opinion, fools. They argue about medicine as about business and politics. They are thinkers, and compare—success being their measure of merit.

Some of the best experiences I have ever had were with Tart. Emetic in 1-0 to 1-50 gr. doses in nausea. Bryonia 1-50, Ipecac 1-20 to 1-0, Hydrastin 1-20 to 1-50, etc. What are these diurnal granules, parvules, &c., but an approach to the infinitesimal? Many say, "the less medicine the better."

Personal experience with homeopathic treatment years ago taught me a very valuable lesson. Since then I have believed, though practicing under a different standard, that anything not possessing value was soon found out, and was by common consent buried.

When a system that has stood attack for a century, or more, still stands and flourishes, there must be something solid as a foundation. I am of opinion the day is not far distant when "Similia" will be taught in our regular colleges. In fact I am led to believe that any school which does not teach the dual properties of drugs and their action in both characters, is not considered strictly up to date, even now.

We are constantly learning. Something new is constantly turning up. Some valuable property of an old or new drug is being shown up. Is it safe for us to say we know all even of our own school?

Fraternity is the word. Let us learn, use and teach the best in all, of each and every system. Then we will have the respect of all.

Long may you wave, and God speed the day when all physicians will be brethren, and work hand in hand. When there will be broader views, more accurate knowledge and less nickle plate on brass.

Yours,

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### "DESPERATE CASES REQUIRE DESPERATE REMEDIES."

It is often said that Homeopathy is good enough for women and children suffering from slight ills that really require no medicine, but when a serious disease is to be combatted "strong medicine" and measures are required. Intelligent and stupid people unite in this, and both classes think they have got hold of a self-evident truth—i. e., self-evident to wise people. No one denies that lock-jaw is about as serious a thing as one wants to tackle in the way of disease, yet in Cook County Hospital twelve cases were taken to the Allopathic wards, where they received, presumably, "strong" and "scientific" treatment. Two of the ten came out alive. In about