

marvellous discovery of the twentieth century. In his foot note to paragraph 280, he says, "Added to this, the homoeopathic medicines acquire at each division or dilution a new degree of power by the rubbing or shaking they undergo, a means of developing the inherent virtues of medicines that was unknown till my time; and which is so energetic that latterly I have been forced by experience to reduce the number of shakes to two, of which I formerly prescribed TEN to each dilution."

Verily, "there is nothing new under the sun," is being brought to our notice more forcibly as time rends apart the molecules of gray matter our brains are composed of and enables us to perceive the germ of truth struggling for existence in the chaotic darkness of traditional medicine.

The fact of these new (?) theories savouring of homocopathy will for a time militate against their recognition and adoption by the dominant school, but claimed, and used they will be, as have been many of our theories and remedies when necessity compels it, and we wonder if the school of regular and scientific medicine will have the grace to give the credit where it is due. We think not, as the time is not yet ripe, judging from the wonderful discoveries of century-old proven homoeopathic remedies which are constantly being made in their medical journals. We may be only on the threshold of a great knowledge, but we were certainly led to the doorstep over a century ago. Substantial progress is slow, but with truth as a starting point, is sure, and as truth usually prevails, we may hope to have the day approach when Hahnemann and his beneficent system of medicine will have been re-discovered in their entirety.

HINTS ON TREATING DEAFNESS

One of the most frequent causes of deafness in children can be attributed to the habit of introducing into the ear the screwed up corners of a towel and twisting it in the canal. This procedure forces down the wax upon the tympanum, irritates the passage, often terminating in painful inflammations and deafness. In bathing a child's head, the washings should be confined to the outer ear only and never extend into the canal.

Another pernicious habit is that of boxing children's ears. The blow not infrequently results in a rupture of the tympanum, which, while perfect union may soon follow, often has a tendency to impair the sense of hearing. When these cases or any other of partial or complete deafness present, do not offer them a cure until you have made a careful examination. In a great many of them the introduction of Mullein Oil will be found to be the only remedy necessary. This is the most efficient remedy which has been brought to professional notice in recent years, and one which can be relied upon for positive relief. Introduce a few drops of the genuine oil twice daily, and cover with a pledget of cotton. Syringing the ear with borated warm water every few days often will hasten the cure. You will be gratified at the rapid restoration of hearing by the course of this treatment. One case I call to mind at present was that of a boy nine years old who had been deaf since his third year. Could trace it to no traumatic cause. Examination revealed an impacted mass of wax on the membrane. Mullein Oil was introduced, which soon softened it up, and relieved the chronic congestion induced thereby. In a very short time he could hear perfectly.

Agitation in the world of homoeopathic medicine has been the very soul of progress, as in politics and religion—the difficulties of opinion and the individualities of men have been parent to the disagreements by which the standard of these bodies have been elevated.