

driven to a more moderate practice, for which they often take credit to themselves.

Instead of two homeopathsists we have about thirty, and all engaged in good practice, and demands from a number of towns for more physicians of our school.

But we commenced this article to speak of the prospects of the JOURNAL. The first half year of its publication is passed, and its permanency secured for the future. For its success we are indebted to many of our friends for the interest they have taken in enlarging its circulation. It might be invidious to particularize, but some of our friends have our most grateful thanks for the kind interest they have taken.

We are publishing a paper more than twice the size promised in our prospectus, and should not have been able to do so had not the friends of homeopathy come nobly up to the task. We are not, however, done with you yet; we want more subscribers. A paper cannot be published in this country without it has the "sinews of war." The low price at which it is afforded requires a good list of patrons to sustain it in its present form, so we hope our friends who wish to see the paper flourish will bestir themselves in its interest.

INTERMITTENT FEVER.

THERE is no disease for which we are called upon to prescribe that requires a more careful diagnosis than intermittent fever, or "ague." It being a form of disease in which an almost immediate favorable impression is looked for, it becomes the homeopathist carefully to examine the symptoms in detail, which being done he will rarely fail in prescribing

a remedy that will effect a speedy and permanent cure.

From the too common practice of "breaking the chill" with crude drugs, of which quinine and arsenic are the most distinguished, and the almost universal prescription of these drugs for every form of intermittent, without regard to the specific affinity which should exist between the remedy and the disease, patients are impressed that the name of the disease only is sufficient to indicate the specific for its cure. Under this impression, patients neglect to give their physician a full detail of the symptoms in their case, thinking it not essential, as it is "only the ague."

Physicians should examine each symptom with care, and patients should be careful to mention every symptom in their case, and each will be rewarded by a happy result in a brief space of time.

A cure is many times retarded, and the disease prolonged for weeks, from the above reasons and from injudicious management by the patients themselves, by exercising violently and finding themselves easily fatigued, sitting down in a cool draught of air or neglecting to make a change of clothing adequate to the changes of the weather, or exposure to rain and damp air at night, and overeating of hearty and indigestible food.

In selecting the proper remedy for the cure of intermittents we have found no work equal to a small monograph by Dr. J. S. Douglass, published as an appendix to Hull's *Laurie*. We are not aware that it has ever been published separately. We would advise every physician to procure a copy, and they will find themselves relieved of much labor in selecting the proper remedy to effect a cure.