

# A REMARKABLE AND FORTUNATE DISCOVERY.

A celebrated New York physician gives the following account of the discovery of this wonderful remedy, for it appears to have had its origin in Germany :

I first saw Mrs. Edith Seigel on my visit to her home in June, 1868. The gentle old lady had just taken off her spectacles, wiping them with the edge of her apron, while she was directing her daughter, Agnes, to prepare some jelly for one of the peasants upon her estate, who had just recovered from a dangerous illness.

The old lady loved to do good. She taught her children to do good. Every feature of her benevolent and healthful face was lit up with joy, kindness and love. When first I beheld her, she had saved the life of one of her poor tenants, and was now seeking to show him that her acts of kindness did not stop with his recovery. The reader may ask how I came to visit this remarkable woman. I will relate the circumstances of my visit in as few words as possible.

I had been a practising physician in the City of New York for twenty years. With an extensive practice it was my lot to see very many severe cases; and although I was presumed to know as much of the science of medicine as any of my profession still I felt that I lacked skill to meet a very large class of complaints which are familiar to every practising physician, especially those termed *Chronic Diseases*. The want of this skill to meet such obstinate cases was felt and confessed by all of my medical brethren, and in every town in the country are to-day many living, suffering examples of the ignorance of the physicians in curing cases of long standing.

During my practice within the last few years, I fell in with many Germans who came to this country to make it their adopted home. From them I learned of

Mother Seigel. They told me she was a woman of most wonderful mental and physical ability, a woman who had done more for the well-being of all classes than any one who had ever lived, and one whose works would live after her for centuries to come.

Some of these Germans brought with them a number of packages of what they termed Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, and which they claimed was a positive cure for all diseases arising from *impurity of the Blood*. Of course this would include *all diseases*, for it is a well-established fact that all diseases of mankind arise from one source, namely, *IMPURITY OF THE BLOOD*. I, of course, understood the importance of keeping the various passages of the body open, for if these become clogged, the blood becomes thick, diseased and corrupted. I know that our health, strength and beauty depend upon the purity and vitality of the blood, and that all sickness, pain and diseases of every name are caused by stagnant humors in the blood, which are not properly carried off by the bowels, by the urine, and by the sweat of the body. I knew that nature needed assistance in carrying off these impurities, by opening the various channels of exit and letting out the foul humors. I had always, in my practice, used opening medicines for the purpose of purifying the blood, but I found many times that perfect harmony was not produced by the action of the medicines I used; for instead of *keeping* the bowels regular, and the other channels properly acting, trouble would frequently arise by too frequent movements; after which the bowels would become costive, the skin dry and scurfy, and the water passages slow to act.

These Germans told me that Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup left no constipation of