

POST HOC ERGO PROPTER HOC.—Dr. Paris in his *Pharmacologia* tells a story of a Florentine quack, who gave a countryman six pills, which were to enable him to find his lost ass; the pills beginning to operate, obliged him to retire into a wood, where he found his ass. The clown soon spread a report of the wonderful success of the quack, who in consequence, reaped an ample reward from the proprietors of strayed cattle.

A RHYME WITHOUT A REASON.—(*By an eminent allopathist*) :

I do not like you, Dr. Kidd;
 Yet why I don't and never did,
 Can't say, but I will bet a "quid"
 I do not like you Dr. Kidd.

—*Punch*.

—Printers errors are notoriously often awkward. The following occurs in an article praising Bromo-chloralum: Mrs. R. æt. 59, confined to her bed for several weeks, a bed sore developed upon the lower part of the *scrotum*!

MEDICAL PEERAGES.—The *Lyon Medical* relates that, under Louis Philippe, Dr. Doultre was offered a peerage on condition of resigning active medical practice. He declined it coupled with that condition; and never received the proffered title. The reason for imposing the condition was coarsely stated by a member of the Upper Chamber as: "Je ne veux pas pour collègue, avoir le Comte de S—, un homme à qui je puis tous les jours montrer mon c . . . pour vingt francs."

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