

conjunctivitis episcleritis and scleritis, chronic iritis, iridocyclitis, interstitial keratitis and chorioidities.

IX. A one per cent. solution of Koch's Old Tuberculin is nearly as good as the Calmette solution for diagnostic purposes.

X. The test in the hands of various observers has given such uniformly excellent results that its value is practically assured.

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*British and Canadian Medical Journals*, and consequently British and Canadian practitioners have taken very little interest in the campaign which for the past few years has been going on in the United States and which is quite commonly referred to as "The Great American Fraud." In the June issue of the *Critic and Guide* are some striking comments on the subject. One is entitled "Do Physicians Prescribe Nostrums? or, Bok's threat to annihilate the Medical Profession." Another deals with the proteid iron preparations of the National Formulary, or the N. F. propaganda, with some queries and conclusions. To those who have been using and getting the good results for years from many well known proprietary preparations, which have not been admitted into the National Formulary, it is difficult to understand the just limitations of prescribing. Probably there will be many who would agree in affirming their adherence to what a preparation will do than to what it exactly is. Supposing for instance we did know the exact proportions of all these preparations, who would remember them, and who would not go on prescribing them for the results got, rather than for the ingredients they contained? Preparations which are put forth by honorable and responsible manufacturers should not be unjustly and indiscriminately condemned, because the age has demanded the best skill of the pharmacist, which is not always to be got even from the physician and local druggist combined. When the physician prescribes he trusts to the honesty of the druggist that his prescription is properly and correctly dispensed. If a manufacturing pharmacist places before us a preparation which will produce results, why consider he is always dishonest? If we do not get the results in a given patient we soon abandon that preparation, as we would one we knew the exact in-