DANGERS OF QUININE.

On page 319 of the Canadian Journal of Medicine and Surgery, Dr. A. J. Harrington says:

"The craze for ingesting Quinine in every possible disease has caused an enormous amount of nervous disorder among business men, who keep the drug in their pockets just as they do car tickets.

"Many of the most serious cases which come under my notice are due to this drug. I feel safe in asserting that Quinine causes more trouble to the community than morphine, although we do not hear so much about it. Drinkers and topers of Opium and Cocaine are spotted by most of their acquaintances, but the nerve tremor due to the salts of Cinchona are put down to overwork, etc. Even medical men are frequently deceived by the symptoms, for I have had many cases sent to me where the cause was never suspected by the family doctor."

When the body falls sick, we know the soul languished first, and the true physician must minister to both. When the doctor has inspected his patient, and prescribed his remedies, he has only done half his duty. He must try to bring into the sick-room a bright, breezy, invigorating atmosphere. His pleasant smile, beaming look and cheerful inquiry are His hearty certainty that soul tonics. things are going on well, his happy face, his kindly sympathy, his warm handclasp. his genuine interest, his little jokes and anecdotes, how they exhilarate the patient, and quicken his interest in life ! How much faster the time flies after the doctor has come and left sunshine behind him; how keen and pleasant the anticipation of his visits!

STATISTICS PROVE IT.

The Southwestern Progressive Medical Journal, of the eclectic faith, after condemning the Allopathic treatment of cholera infantum turns to and gravely ridicules the homoeopathia treatment of the same disease, and concludes by asserting that the proper treatment is "antiseptic" aided by Nux vomica and an infusion of peach leaves. The only way of settling such matters, of determining the value of any treatment, is by the results, and these in cholera infantum, as in other diseases, are so far superior under Homoeopathy as to leave no opening for discussion. The individualizing of patients, or therapeutically treating them according to symptoms, may seem absurd to men who practically know nothing about it, but that does not affect the result. The child has a better chance for its life under Homoeopathy than any other treatment, as figures demonstrate.-Homoeo Envoy.

PETROLEUM DRINKERS.

The Medical Society of Paris has expressed the opinion that it is necessary to adopt some measures against the alarming spread of petroleum drinking. At first it was thought that this habit had sprung up from the increased taxation on alcohol, but an investigation showed that this was not the case; the habit had been prevalent some time previous in the suburban town of Bastille, and had spread with great rapidity. The victim of the petroleum habit does not become brutal, only morose. The opinions differ among the physicians as regards the effects of petroleum drinking on the human system, but they all agree on the harmfulness of this new vice.

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