

A CHAMOMILLA CURE.

Dr. Stacy Jones, of Medical Genius and Bee-line Repertory fame, a student under Henry N. Guernsey, dropped in the Recorder's den the other day and had a chat, including some interesting reminiscences of the days when he was in practice in Upper Darby, a suburb of Philadelphia. One case he related was unusually interesting. A lady had the peculiar affliction that at five o'clock every afternoon her ankles gave way and she would sink to the ground. The result was that before that hour she would have to go to bed in order to avoid being carried there. Many doctors had a shy at the case, but with no results. One day Dr. Jones was consulted incidentally and had his try. Gave Causticum and many other remedies, but with no results, and finally told the lady she was wasting her money and gave up the case. Some months afterwards he met her, inquired about her condition, which was unchanged. Told her he was determined to cure her. Went to work and fine-toothed the *Materia Medica*. "and where do you think I found the symptom of giving away of the ankles in the afternoon but under poor little 'chamomile.' I gave her four powders, she took one and never required the others, for an instant cure followed." After our old friend had departed—he is seventy-five, but hale and hearty—we looked the matter up in Allen's Encyclopedia. There among the 'chaff' we found the following: "Nightly paralytic loss of power in the feet; they have no power; he is unable to step on them and if he rises he sinks to the ground."

Now this runs the doubting Thomases up against the following dilemma:

Either Hahnemann's "chaff" is largely wheat or else Mrs. Eddy is right and faith cure is the thing.

Which is it?—Hom. Recorder.

For a time after the X ray came into use hope was given to cancer sufferers that a permanent cure for them had at last been found. But that hope has vanished. In mild cases of external cancer the electricity treatment has done much good, but both in this country and Europe physicians have all agreed that so far as the general treatment and cure of the malady goes the X ray is of little value. The same is true of the radium treatment, according to the statements of physicians.—Exchange.

THE TWO METHODS.

"Two similar cases with decidedly dissimilar results: Dr. Sanford, young man, appendicitis, operated upon, died; Dr. Van Meter, much older man, appendicitis, not operated upon, alive and well. You pays your money and takes your choice."—The Critique.

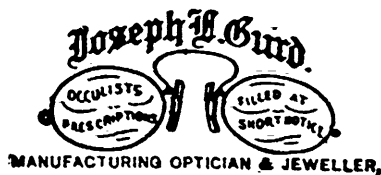
The above is taken from "Notes and Personals" of The Critique. Editorially that journal says:

"Fatalities following almost one hundred per cent. of the operations for appendicitis in the city of Denver, during a period sufficiently recent to be readily remembered by the reading public, should lead the aforesaid reading public into making a systematic search for some more satisfactory method of treatment, even though that same be much less spectacular and dramatic."

The same editorial concludes as follows:

"Denver has had a pretty good run of removals by death, owing to the 'successful operation' for appendicitis, and we honestly believe it is now about due a long-suffering public that less successful surgical measures be adopted, to the end that what few of our prominent people who become ill with this much-dreaded disease, or 'something just as good,' may be permitted to struggle along to the end with what works the good Lord intended they should retain during the period of their natural lives.—Hom. Envoy."

One of the most grateful and easily made applications to a felon in active inflammation is made by punching a hole in an egg without allowing the contents to escape; the affected finger is then inserted into the egg and so held as to retain the contents about the felon. Some who have used this method extensively assert that it will cause the disappearance of a felon even when it is on the verge of suppuration; certain it is that it reduces the inflammation and relieves the pain when it is applied properly.



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