

Can it be possible that this sort of recklessness and ignorance characterizes the profession in other intelligent communities?—*Western Druggist*, August, 1895.

[This savors somewhat of obtaining money under false pretences. If the patient pays the doctor for a prescription the doctor should see that he gets what it calls for. This department of the "regular" school needs looking after. Homœopathy employs no middleman.—**ED. HOMŒOPATHIC MESSENGER.**]

AS IT SHOULD BE.

The State of Pennsylvania has made the following grants to the homœopathic hospitals of that State: Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital, Philadelphia, \$57,100; Homœopathic Medical and Surgical Hospital and Dispensary of Pittsburg, \$50,000; Homœopathic Medical and Surgical Hospital, Reading, \$10,000; Children's Hospital, Philadelphia, \$8,000; Women's Homœopathic Hospital Association, Philadelphia, \$5,000, making a total of \$130,000. Pennsylvania is dealing justly yet liberally with our institutions in that State, for which the commonwealth deserves credit, and for which our profession is to be warmly congratulated. The Province of Quebec might well take a lesson from Massachusetts and Pennsylvania and distribute her medical support to the representative institutions of the different medical denominations.—*Medical Century*.

THE DUCHESS OF TECK AND THE LONDON HOMŒOPATHIC HOSPITAL.

The Duchess of Teck, on Tuesday, July 9, opened the new building of the London Homœopathic Hospital in Great Ormond street, Bloomsbury, which contains 100 beds, and has been erected at a cost of \$225,000, of which \$185,000 has been already contributed.—*Exchange*.

CHOLERA INFANTUM.

"The first five years I practiced, I treated these cases as I had learned to from the books and lectures. When my little patients died I wondered why they did not get well, for I knew my treatment was orthodox. When a poor little emaciated one lingered through the summer into autumn, and finally got well, I

knew it was despite of both disease and treatment.

Among my patients was our own little Ruby, a bright sweet darling of fourteen months, stricken July 2nd. I exhausted the remedies laid down in the books and those in my memoranda taken down at college, then called to my assistance the ablest physicians available. They said I had done all they could do, and offered nothing new. One, a diplomat, said, he had obtained the best results, in such cases, from the use of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, advised me to try it, and went away. In my despair I cried out, "is this all?" Is this the end of all hope of assistance, in this hour of my great distress?

July 28th she ceased to be. We laid her away, and might well have written on her little monument, whose spire points heavenward. "Died early, because they knew not what to do."

Then I began to enquire of every doctor I met: What is your treatment for cholera infantum or summer complaint in children? They replied: Opium, morphine, laudanum, paregoric, Doveri, cinnamon, cloves, allspice, nutmeg, kino, blackberry-root tea, white oak bark, raspberry leaf—the whole catalogue of astringents—made into some form of powder, decoction or syrup. The same old, old treatment that has sent, and is still sending, multiplied thousands of lovely innocent children to premature graves, that ought to be saved; and many of them would get well if they never saw a doctor, or rather, if a doctor never saw them. Hard words to say! but I have been over the battle-ground; I have witnessed the last struggles; I have heard the weepings of mothers and friends, who anxiously watched for the last breath."

[Dr. J. M. Duncan, in *Medical Brief*, September 1895.]

[When our Allopathic brethren realize that the frail nervous system of infants cannot stand wholesale drugging, such wails as the above will be fewer and fainter. It would seem as though thinking men, driven to such straits as the above, would finally try homœopathy, instead of giving up entirely. It, at least, would not handicap nature in her efforts to restore health. **[ED. HOMŒOPATHIC MESSENGER.]**

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