

REGULAR MEDICINE AND HOMŒOPATHY.

Dr. Richardson publishes in the *Lancet* a letter from Dr. Geo. Wyld, one of the most prominent of the practitioners calling themselves Homœopathists, in London. It insists that it has become the almost universal custom amongst them to treat disease by contraries as well as by similars—that the auxiliaries of direct treatment are also constantly availed of by them—and finally that in the matter of dosage, the infinitesimal proceeding is practically abandoned. On the strength of these representations it requests Dr. R. to bring the matter before influential members of the profession with a view to the possible union of the Homœopathic Schism with the great body of the Profession. Dr. R. considers that these important admissions should command “a candid and just appreciation.” One could almost fancy that if all called Homœopathists would accept the views of Dr. Wyld, a basis of admission for them might be formed, but we fear that he is a very exceptional man in the schism as regards candour and straightforwardness, and that the majority are much too ready to stand by what he (justly) calls “the often extravagant and incorrect” statements of Hahnemann. We happen to have the personal acquaintance of Dr. Wyld, and can fully endorse Dr. Richardson’s opinion of him as “a gentleman of extended knowledge, good taste and truthful nature.” It must be that his now acknowledged views will carry weight with his brethren, and it will be interesting to see how they will take his overtures to the general profession.

PERSONAL.

Dr. Edouard Robillard of this city has returned home after an absence of several months which he spent in Europe visiting the various hospitals of London, Paris, Vienna and Berlin. We understand that Dr. Robillard devoted much of his time while abroad to the study of diseases peculiar to women. In a recent number of the *Frans Medical* we observed that Dr. Robillard was elected a Corresponding Member of the Clinical Society of Paris.