

The intellect of the world may be divided into three great orders. First, that which enables its possessor to invent or discover. To this order belonged Kepler, Copernicus, Galileo, Newton, Harvey, Hahnemann, and last but not least, Liernur, who although of too recent date to have acquired that celebrity which posterity will surely accord to him; will be regarded as the apostle of Preventive Medicine, as Hahnemann was of curative; and as all will recognize the truth of the old saw, that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure; he may justly be allowed to share with Hahnemann the gratitude of mankind. While Hahnemann, by his discovery of the law of *Similia Similibus Curantur*, which we all recognise, raised medicine from its condition of uncertainty to the rank of an exact science, to which it had never before pretended; Liernur has solved a problem with the details of which I shall not now detain you, but will be pleased to give a *résumé* of his discovery and invention to any one of you who may do me the honor to apply at the close of this festive occasion. The individuals comprising this order could easily be numbered in hundreds. Second order—That which, though it may not enable its possessor to invent or discover, will fit him to recognize truth when met with. We, homœopaths, generally, belong to this order, without whose aid the efforts of the first order would never have borne fruit. The individuals comprising this second order may be counted by thousands. The third order includes all the rest of the world, who by their apathy or interested opposition, clog the wheels of progress and stay the advance of truth. And now, Ladies and Gentlemen, thanking you for your patient attention, I shall resume my seat.

The allopathic fraternity also held a congress, which was of course much more numerously attended and lasted a good deal longer than ours. Our Canadian doctors were there in force, among whom we noticed Sir Wm. Hingston, Drs. Lachapelle, Mercier, Decarie and Lajoie, of Montreal, and Dr. Lecavilier, of Quebec. They also concluded their labors with a magnificent banquet, to which the representatives of medicine from all over the world were invited, and to each was given an opportunity of asserting the claims of his country to its share of honor in the field of medical research. Sir Wm. Hingston distinguished himself in an eloquent speech and received an overwhelming ovation, which we may safely say was unequalled by that to the representative of any other country.

There was one other fête, to which we were invited, without the mention of which our account would be incomplete. This was a visit to