

erts an influence on the respiratory organs similar to that of ipecac; syrup squill compound—serviceable in subacute or chronic bronchitis, as an expectorant, and as an emetic in croup; cascara—the bitter glucoside of cascara sagrada, useful for its laxative action; heroin hydrochloride—a derivative of morphine and extensively prescribed in the treatment of cough, especially of bronchial origin; menthol—stimulant, refrigerant, carminative and antiseptic, serviceable in coughs of pharyngeal origin.

Syrup Cocillana Compound would seem to be worthy of extensive prescription.

Pope said,

“The learn’d reflect on what before they knew.”

As the winter approaches, conditions prevalent with the season will present themselves for the consideration of the physician.

At this time it might be well to recall that Antiphlogistine, applied thick and hot, will offer immeasurable relief in those cases of bronchitis, tonsillitis, laryngitis, pleurisy and other throat and chest affections you will be called upon to treat.

Satisfactory therapeutic results invariably follow the application of Antiphlogistine, and to guard against substitution it is well to specify an original package, thus protecting your patient as well as yourself.

The Romance of Medicine

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, speaking to some London medical students, told several stories illustrating what he called “the romance of medicine.”

The fashion of wearing wigs, for instance, was due to a skin disease which produced bald patches on the august head of Francis I. of France. He got a wig and his courtiers followed suit, just as they all whispered when he had an attack of laryngitis.

“One can trace for many years,” says the same authority in the *Lancet*, “certainly from 1802, the inception of that disease which killed Napoleon at St. Helena in 1821. In 1802 Bourrienne said: ‘I have often seen him at Malmaison lean against the right arm of his chair and, unbuttoning his coat and waistcoat, exclaim, “What pain I feel!”’

“That was perhaps the first allusion to his stomachic and