

produced on an healthy individual by a poison, we may be sure that that poison dynamised so as not to do harm, will act curatively in a small dose on the sources of the symptoms. The symptoms of the disease are similar to the symptoms of the poison, we say therefore the sources of these symptoms are similar. The cause of the abnormal tissue is a vital disturbance, it is the disease, and is a subtle thing. The antidote must necessarily be a subtle thing too. The criterion for the selection of the remedy, was proved on the healthy individual in the Homœopathic practice, but in Allopathy the experiment to prove the effect of the medicine is on the sick, and we have already seen what the results of these experiments are.

11th postulate. "Because Homœopathy does away with the absurd, and heterogeneous prescriptions of Physicians which often contain dozens of different and nauseous materials, calculated to disturb the principles of nature, and to fight against each other in the dark—and which leave too frequently their unexpelled detritus to injure the living machinery for life." When it is true that every medicinal substance if tested on the living machinery, produces its own peculiar set of actions there, it will be found that one medicinal substance will act on one part of tissue, another will produce disturbance in another special part of tissue, a third, fourth and so on up to dozens, all acting in different directions; and these selected and administered empirically are found to disturb the vital processes instead of inducing them to return to their normal condition. Regarding the unexpelled detritus of those crude Allopathic doses referred to in this postulate I may remark that when so much Gamboge, Aloes, Calomel, *et hoc genus omne* has been and is given to individuals in disease, the instincts of the stomach and bowels may be, as it were, seduced into permitting their absorption into the circulating system by which they are carried to all parts of the body.

Those crude medicinal substances not being possessed of any element calculated to build up wasted tissue, can never be made to assume the form of living cells; they are therefore always driven on through the organs unassimilated, causing functional disturbance, and the further such detritus is carried the more is the difficulty of expulsion; hence the reason why so much Mercury, Gamboge, &c., &c., have been found in the very bones many years after they have been administered, thereby injuring the living machinery for life.

There is no doubt that the instincts of the stomach and bowels have better per-

ceptions as to what is good for the body than the physician who administers such trash, but these instincts may be considered to be often somewhat off their guard by the effects of disease in the general system, and in consequence the evil things are allowed to pass muster when they should have been at once expelled as intruders having damaging properties.

When Spanish flies are applied in large quantities to a raw surface of the skin, the bladder and other internal organs will be selected as its sphere of poisonous action. When we have bags of serum thrown out beneath the Epidermis upon the application of a fly blister, it is just an exemplification of the instincts of a part (when forced to self-defence) acting conservatively, so as to have the least injury done to the whole machinery. In the administration of the great majority of the Allopathic drugs, the thing accomplished is simply a teasing and torturing of the instincts of tissues, which might be better employed in the endeavour to remove the disease from the system, in accordance with nature's laws.

It is said that Homœopathic patients require much faith to believe in the powers of Homœopathic drugs,—to my mind now, it requires a greater amount of faith on the part of Allopathic patients to believe in the curative powers of materials which are so well proven to make one sick, and to be attended with such undesirable effects as have been alluded to in these communications.

12th postulate. "Because Homœopathy does not pander to the depraved tastes of many people who require for their money, bulk of colouring matter, and a taste of something that bites, before they can believe a cure of their diseases possible."

How often do medical men see individuals who would pay cheerfully for a big bottleful of nauseous substances which when taken will really sicken them, and the more it sickens them, the more will their faith be increased as to its powers of healing, and the more they are hurt by the drugs, the more skilful the Dr. is thought to be who prescribes them; and this is called "common sense." It will be apparent to all that this postulate will be granted.

13th postulate. "Because it is well known that young medical students would attend Homœopathic Lectures on the practice of physic in large numbers, if they were allowed to do so by the faculty of medicine, before whom at present they might be afraid at their examination for their degree."

It is a well known fact that various Universities and Colleges have denounced Homœopaths, and rejected Students and applicants for their degrees and diplomas, and have passed resolutions forbidding their