

and for that he is prepared *at such a moment*, to pay. He cares not whether it be effected by the result of hours of deep study, by potations of water, varying from 10 to 30 pints at a time, or by a grain or two of sugar of milk, administered with an air of the most pertinacious effrontery; he has swallowed the dose, he has paid for it, and a short time suffices for the trial of the experiment. Such must continue to be the case as long as persons in a certain station of society, from whom, in consequence of previously received education, (albeit it may have been small in amount,) or who, from their whole time being engrossed in the frivolities of civilized life, cannot or will not allow their mind (that grand characteristic feature between God's noblest work and the brute,) to reason upon, or be educated upon, the natural course of cause and effect; and as long as they refuse to admit, that the most interesting study in nature is the study of man, so long then, we assert, will this baneful influence be exercised over society at large.

These remarks have been called forth, in consequence of its having come to our knowledge, that within the last month some half a dozen or dozen (we care not for the number, if there were but one,) of the patients in the Montreal General Hospital have been entrusted to the care (tender, no doubt, considering the weapons used,) of an individual practising homœopathy in this city. Now, with regard to this gentleman's professional qualifications, we know nothing; we heard him assert, that he had studied his profession according to the old system, but that, from "*conviction of the incorrectness of its principles, he had become a disciple of Hahneman.*" We accord to him, and to every one, our full permission to be a follower of the original minded Hahneman, or of the veriest quack in the world; but this (having some regard for consistency) we will *not* accord to him, without remarking upon the paradox, that, to suit his convenience, he shall offer, while sailing under the colours of his reputed patron, to treat patients homœopathically, allopathically, or perhaps hydropathically, just as *they* shall choose. No, no; our own impression is, that the practitioners of homœopathy practise too much under *dollaropathic* influences, as long as any dollars may be forthcoming; and, should a crisis arrive, and this secretion be checked or exhausted, their patients are then permitted to adopt any other "*pathy*," for the assuagement of their feelings, however *dolorous* these may have become. We do not write