

which from two to three a day may be given.

Hydrotherapy, static electricity and psychotherapy are, says Dr. Hirtz, ordinarily valuable adjuvants.--*Therapeutic Gazette*.

A "PREJUDICE" AGAINST KEELEY AND HIS METHODS.

Some three years ago the editor of the *Christian Advocate*, New York, undertook an impartial investigation into the question of the permanency of the so-called "cures" for inebriety effected by the Keeley method. This investigation was very strongly opposed by the Keeley Company; every possible difficulty was placed in the way, and Dr. Buckley, the editor, was denounced as being prejudiced. To this charge Dr. Buckley frankly admitted that he was prejudiced against both Keeley and his methods, and set forth in full the grounds for entertaining this prejudice. The rev. doctor gives Keeley his blessing in the following outspoken style:

OUR PREJUDICE AND ITS ORIGIN.

We had, and still have, a prejudice against Dr. Keeley, regarding him as pursuing quackish methods and governed primarily by the desire to make as much money as he can, and believe that that is the chief reason of the keeping of his remedies secret. Having been interested for many years in the reformation of drunkards, we have been in the habit of preserving everything related to the subject.

About thirteen years ago Dr. Keeley sent out a circular offering, for nine dollars, to cure drunkenness by two bottles of medicine.

In addition he says: "All medicine packed securely *and sent masked* when so desired."

In the further description of it he testifies: "Up to this time I have not heard of a single instance of failure."

He had then been sending these medicines around the country long enough to make a call for a third edition of this circular; he claimed then to have been using the remedy five years. This is followed by a number of certificates in the usual patent medicine style.

He further says: "I have the fullest confidence in its merits, and feel no hesitation in guaranteeing it to be what the press has already named it, 'An infallible cure for drunkenness.'" He observes, however, that "there may be some cases of failure in the future."

As he signed himself "Surgeon of the Chicago & Alton Railroad, and late Surgeon U.S.A." while resorting to these quackish methods, we wondered whether the phrase "Surgeon C. & A. R. R." signified that he was the general surgeon of that corporation, or whether "late Surgeon U.S.A." meant that he ever was a surgeon in the regular army, and were informed that, like many other physicians along the line of a railroad, he was employed in case anything happened at the little village where he lived, and that he had been a surgeon in the late war in connection with a volunteer regiment.

We suppose that these special titles were added simply to push his "*infallible* cure" in "two bottles at nine dollars," and frankly confess that such a circular, with such statements and signatures, created a prejudice in our mind, especially as he repeatedly declared that "the double chloride of gold in my hands has uniformly effected a cure in nine days, and left the patients without a desire for intoxicants, or for any stimulant as a substitute, no patient so cured having relapsed into the drinking habit;" and published extracts of letters to himself calling his two bottles "the *saviour* and *redeemer* [*italics not ours*] of the drunkard's mind and body; because it *saves* him from temptation and *redeems* him from the effects of a dissipated life."