

EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

AN APOLOGY AND AN APPEAL.

We abhor apologies, but the *Journal* is one month late, and it is right our patrons should know the reason why it is so late in its appearance. The time devoted to its publication is such moments as we can snatch from our professional engagements. Since January we have been quite unable to give much attention to its publication, and less to seeing it properly and carefully mailed; all of which we sincerely regret, but trust to the forbearance of our many readers for indulgence, on our promise to be more prompt in future. We are only one month late, while many of our subscribers are many months in arrears. Now, we are not going to dun, for that we abhor as much as apologies; but we wish to intimate to those who receive and read the *Journal*, and to those who are interested in its prosperity and circulation, that we shall not continue it unless it is pecuniarily sustained. We are willing to devote a portion of our time and energy to its support; but we have no disposition to work to our pecuniary disadvantage. We expect no pecuniary gain from its publication; neither are we willing to submit to pecuniary loss further than the time we may devote in arranging it for publication. We have no ambition to gratify, or personal end to serve other than the common interest of all homeopathic physicians, and the advantage of the patrons of the homeopathic practice. So that if we are compelled to discontinue, which we trust will not be the case, we shall have no more regret than many who have taken a deep interest in the *Journal* from its commencement. Many of our agents we have heard nothing from since the beginning of the year. We hope to hear favorably from all soon. We will endeavor to have the April No. ready for mailing on the 20th of the month, and to soon again be able to publish, as usual, on the first of each month.

THE MEDICAL MONOPOLY.

The truth requires no legal enactments to sustain it with an educated people, while doubtful philosophy needs be hedged about by statutes to prevent encroachments upon its assumptions. The legalization of allopathic medicine to the exclusion of all other systems of medicine, assumes that this system is right beyond a question, and that all others