

BELLADONNA AS A REMEDY FOR MAKING CONVERTS.

If we would convince an allopathic physician of the efficacy of our remedies, we should select Belladonna in whooping cough. The 9 decimal dilution is certainly not "a homoeopathic nothing," but compared with the much ridiculed centesimal higher potencies it is a positive something that has approved itself brilliantly in practice. Innumerable children have been cured with it from whooping cough, and by it as many skeptics might be cured of their prejudices against rationally practiced homoeopathy. This little clinical experiment is quite simple and gives very little trouble, and may not only be used in the first stages of whooping cough, although these are the best, but also in the later stages and in relapses that may occur. It is queer that we are often called in to help, because, as we are told, the cough that has existed for some time, threatens to become whooping cough, which it is already.

When the well-known symptoms set in, vomiting of mucus, anguish, and crying or weeping with a spasmodic cough, throwing back the head, while the face becomes red and blue—do not delay dropping 4 drops of Belladonna 9 D. in a wine glass full of water, giving one or two teaspoonfuls every three or four hours. Do not give any sugar water or acid fruit juices.

As a rule, such a treatment effects an essential and manifest improvement and the innumerable other remedies given in homoeopathic manuals are then rarely needed. Among these, however, the most tried are Cuprum, Tartarus stib., and Ipecacuanha. Of the latter remedy I use the first centesimal which still shows a plainly yellowish tint; showing that we have to do with substantial remedies, though finely divided. The specific relations of Belladonna to whooping cough is beyond all doubt, as is proved by a forty years' practice.

I will in conclusion only give the remarks of a mother whose children I treated:

But now many thanks for the powders. When the fourth powder was finished, Sigfrid's cough was also at an end, and we know not how to thank you. You have lifted a grievous burden from our minds and saved us many a wakeful night."

Her sister wrote soon afterwards: "Please send me some of the same

medicine which worked such a miracle with sister Fila's children. My girl has now had a severe catarrh for two weeks, and in the last four days this has been aggravated into whooping cough, especially this evening she had a very violent long continued spell of coughing. . . ."

Of course this child also received Belladonna, and I may add, with the same striking effect.—Hom. Recorder.

INTEMPIERANCE.

The following excerpt from an article in the Medical Brief contains some interesting figures and information:

"But in purity, and in lasting and fond remembrance of the loved and lost Frances Willard, will assail with might and main the potent trusts, who to-day are flooding the land with patent concoctions, a few of them as follows:

	Per cent. alcohol.
Green's Nervura .....	17.
Hood's Sarsaparilla .....	18.2
Schenk's Seaweed Tonic.....	19.8
Brown's Iron Bitters.....	19.5
Kaufman's Bitters .....	20.7
Paine's Celery Compound.....	21.5
Burdock Blood Bitters.....	25.2
Ayer's Sarsaparilla .....	26.2
Warner's Safe Bitters.....	35.7
Parker's Tonic .....	41.6
Hostetter's Bitters .....	44.3

I quote the above from the American Medicine journal, published at Philadelphia.

In fine, if—

	Per cent. alcohol.
Beer .....	2 1/2 to 6
Wine .....	10 to 20
Whiskey .....	25 to 40

These condemned as poisons, the vendors thereof maligned, persecuted sometimes it is too true, justly, by party or parties numbering approximately about one-fifth the population of our common country, in a word, what shall be said, or rather what shall be done to or with corporations who, without taxation, mix this poison crude, neither purified nor rectified, with more insidious and dangerous drug extractions, poisons or toxics, place them in all marts of trade, advertise with shrewd adroitness and cunning, with imaginary indications, fostering desires and unwonted tastes, by the aromatized little demon getting in his work too well. Maturing in time a typical debauchee to suffer a characteristic hell, and in a short time fill a drunkard's grave. I confess I have not conception or words to do the subject justice, and therefore submit."