

authorities, acting upon this suggestion, ruled out the case, saying they had no power under the existing law to try pedlars of confectionery.—*Ex.*

—“Nine-tenths of the world employ a doctor to give them physic. Unmixed advice has a doubtful market value.” It is a fact. Hygienic medicine is all very good in its way, but it is certainly more profitable for the doctor to open a man’s bowels than to throw up his window, and to give him a sole-stirring emetic rather than to shut down on his whiskey.—*Ex.*

—A little boy, three years old, was left in charge of his infant brother, a red-hot stove being in the room. The mother returned in a few moments, and found the boy brandishing a red-hot poker, with which he had marked the baby’s face and then thrust it into the infant’s mouth to stop its crying; it is needless to add that the baby died.

—It is dangerous to take potassium chlorate *ad libitum*. A death, caused by swallowing a quantity of this drug, by a patient for whom it had been prescribed as a constituent of a gargle, is reported from New York.

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Malt Sugar, 45.1; Dextrine, Hop-bitter, Extractive Matter, 23.6; Albuminous Matter (Diastase), 2.469. Ash—Phosphates, 1.712; Alkalies, .377. Water, 25.7. Total, 99.958.

In comparing the above analysis with that of the Extract of Malt of the German Pharmacopœia, as given by Hager, that has been generally received by the profession, I find it to substantially agree with this article.

Yours truly,

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