

own observations have been confined to the cotyledons in powder in intermittent, and in tincture in neuralgia, dyspepsia, and chronic derangements of the stomach, involving impaired digestion. In these conditions, we are satisfied that it possesses curative properties equal to Columba, quassia, or any of the vegetable tonics; and in view of these properties, we feel assured that it is worthy of an excellent position among this classification of the vegetable materia medica."

Medical Attendance on Servants.—The Dublin Medical Press, Aug. 23, records a very interesting trial that recently took place in Mildenhall County Court, England. It was an action instituted by a surgeon against a gentleman for recovery of £11, 0s 6d, the amount of his bill for attendance on said gentleman's housekeeper, who had broken her leg. It was clearly proved, in evidence, that the plaintiff had been sent for by the defendant, to visit his (defendant's) servant; and his Honour laid it down as clear law, that if a master sent for a doctor, he was liable to pay for the attendance. Not only in law, but in justice, did he consider the defendant liable; for he considered it very hard that medical men should not be paid when they are at the beck and call of any person who may choose to send for their assistance; and if they refused to go, they became subject to a general outcry throughout the country for their want of humanity and Christian feeling. He therefore considered the plaintiff entitled to his claim for the whole amount, with costs.

Dr. Peltier's communication will appear in our next.

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