

allowed to stand without straining, and, should the morning portion have acted sufficiently, may be kept for the next morning. This decoction is particularly recommended as a "spring physic," as it can be taken daily for weeks together, is not open to the objection of distending the intestine with gases and disturbing the digestion, like mineral waters, and is so agreeable to the taste that ladies take it willingly.

THE MODERN VIA AD ASTRA—A MEDICAL FABLE.—Once upon a time a poor but humane physician was riding along a road which led by a dark forest, when he saw by the wayside a sick and miserable dog which had lain down to die. Moved with pity he got down from his carriage, picked up the poor animal tenderly, and gave it some food and drink. Suddenly the dog vanished, and he saw standing before him a beautiful fairy. "You have saved me from a miserable doom by your compassion," she said; "command now anything you wish and it shall be yours." The astonished physician replied, "I am a poor man, I should like to be rich." The fairy waved her hand, and extended to him a piece of paper and a bottle filled with a dark-colored fluid. "Here," she said, "is a prescription for an Infallible Compound Hair-Restorer; it will never fail, and it has been endorsed by the leading clergymen on both continents. The world is yours! Do you wish more?" "I am a quiet man," replied the doctor, "and little known; I should like to be famous." "You shall be more; you shall be immortal." Waving her hand again, she presented to him a small, dark, and curiously-shaped instrument. "See," she exclaimed, "it is a new and an 'Unquestionably Perfect Pessary.' It radically restores every malposition. Your name is blown into the side. Generations of suffering women and successful doctors will read and bless you. I have tried it myself," she added, blushing a little, and vanished.—*Boston Med. & Surg. Journal.*

Morse's Glycerole of Celery Compound.—About a year ago, at the suggestion of Dr. Jas. H. Burns of Toronto, this Compound was placed before the profession to be used instead of the more powerful drugs in the treatment of teething infants and adults suffering from nervousness, etc., etc. The after effects of opium are well known and deplored. Upon young children, in any case, the continued use of opium is very objectionable. A remedy having the necessary soothing and quieting effects of opium, followed by a tonic and nutritive action to the patient, should be invaluable to the practitioner. Such a remedy we have in CELERY COMPOUND, which needs only a thorough trial to demonstrate its value. The proprietor guarantees the formula to contain *no* opium in *any* form, and only the ingredients therein mentioned, flavored with anise. It can be given in large doses, as a tonic, to the most delicate infant, with perfect safety.