

mutual contempt for each other's intelligence, one was not afraid to borrow the other's opinion, "knowing that there was no risk in doing so, and that they would neither gain nor lose by the exchange, as it was only medical opinions that were in question; so they agreed on a course of treatment for the King, but the unfortunate monarch got steadily worse. His courtiers urged him to call in Dr. Rodrique, whose fame extended over the whole world. He charged fees of an amount that made millionaires recognize his merit. His brethren, whatever they thought inwardly of his knowledge and character, spoke with respect of a man who raised the medical fee to a height till then unknown. Many praised his methods, and professed to be able to apply them at a lower figure. Dr. Rodrique excluded the products of the laboratory and of the pharmacy from his therapeutic armament, and his methods of treatment had a disconcerting eccentricity and inimitable singularities. An instance of this forms the plot of the story. The King is unwilling to call him in, for, as he sagely observes, he knows that his official doctors do nothing, but he does not know what Rodrique is capable of doing. Nevertheless, after much intrigue and diplomacy he is induced to send for Rodrique, whose prescription is that His Majesty shall wear the shirt of a happy man next his skin, so that his dry integument may absorb the particles of happiness exhaled by the sudoriparous glands of the happy man. With some difficulty the King is got to consent to submit to this treatment; then the difficulty is to find a happy man. When found at last, he has no shirt!—*British Med. Jour.*

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