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THE SCIENCE AND THE ART OF IT

On October 15th, there was laid with imposing ceremony, at Ann Arbor, Michigan, the corner stone of the new medical building of the University of Michigan, in which additional facilities are to be placed at the disposal of the students in the Homœopathic department of that university. The Medical Century says.—“A feature of the exercises was an able address by Professor Adami, the eminent pathologist of McGill University, of Montreal, on the practice of medicine as a science and art. He paid a tribute to the Homœopathic school, and asserted his belief that the great success of Homœopathy was largely due to their unbounded faith in medicines and the careful noting of the symptoms and history of disease. He showed that the successful physician practiced the art rather than the science of medicine, and while not believing that this is as it should be, he conveyed the idea that in seeking after science, art should not be neglected.

We are glad to welcome the day when so eminent a man as Professor Adami

can make a speech before the students of the University of Michigan without casting slurs at Homœopathy. There are many pseudo scientists in and out of that institution who could profit by the lesson.”

We are delighted to give further circulation to those pleasant words referring to Dr. Adami's address. We are still more pleased to note that the Doctor's views on Homœopathy are very much more complimentary to the intelligence of the members of that profession than were those of a one time professor at the University of McGill. This eminent gentleman, now deceased, took occasion in one of his lectures to his students to compare the results of the so-called “regular” and homœopathic schools in the treatment of a certain disease which had recently been quite prominent. The statistics were against the “regulars,” as they usually are, and it naturally was incumbent upon the Doctor to say something “explanatory.” Dramatically, he closed his remarks by saying, in effect:—“But do not be led, by these figures, into the conclusion that it was homœopathic medicine that accomplished this good result, for I tell you it was their ‘nursing’ that did it.” Quite as dramatically, one of his students clapped his note-book shut and said, “Then I'm going to be a nurse!”

Doctor Adami has got quite a step further than the “nursing” idea, and is willing to credit the homœopathists with

the knowledge and practice of the art of medicine, but, we should judge, rather denies than the science. What a pity that so able a man as Doctor Adami is should not have given the homœopathic theory sufficient study to find out that absolutely the only difference between the homœopathic and the regular schools is in the administration of medicine, and that in that particular the homœopaths have a complete monopoly of the "science" part of it.

THE "REGULAR" AND THE "IRREGULAR."

Readers of the Homœopathic Record will remember the reference which was made in the October issue to the test case which was submitted to the readers of the Medical World of Philadelphia by Doctor Chapman. The symptoms of the case, a man in the seventh day of a severe attack of pneumonia, were given at length and the physicians of both schools were invited to prescribe for him. The name of the disease was not given. There were numerous replies from both schools, and in the October issue of the World these were summarized by Doctor Aylesworth, of Collingwood, Ont., as follows:—

"We will say that 30 homœopaths prescribed phosphorus only, 5 prescribed lycopodium—enuf to show the diversity of men's minds (provided always homœopaths have minds), one classed by you as a regular school man but evidently like myself, a hybrid, also prescribed phosphorus.

Seven regular school men (including the hybrid) prescribed (1) strych., (2) nux vomica, (3) mor ph., (4) atrop., syr. scillae co. [(5) senega, (6) tart. ant. et potass., (7) squills], (8) ac tanihd., (9) acontin., (10) coleim., (11) creasote carb., (12) whiskey, (13) tartar emetic (uncombined), (14) ipecac (uncombined), (15) quini sulph., Dozer's powder [(16) ipecac. (17) opium, (18) sulfate of pot assa], liq.

ammon. aromat [(19) carb. ammon., (20) water of ammon., (21) oil of lemons, (22) oil of nutmeg, (23) oil of lavender, (24) alcohol] (25) digitalis, (26) sulph. of magnes., (27) calomel, (28) castor oil' (29) turpentine, (30) normal salt solution. In addition to these 30 remedies to be used internally, these seven regular school men prescribe externally (31) cold water sponging, (32) alcohol baths, (33) flaxseed and mustard, (34) bleeding freely, (35) blisters, (36) hot bathing of feet, (37) hot bathing of whole body, (38) mustard poultices.

To sum up, 35 homœopaths and one regular school man prescribe but two remedies; and of the 36 medical men 31 prescribe the same remedy. Seven regular men prescribe 38 remedies."

It doesn't require much intelligence to recognize in these facts the "regular" school to be the Homœopathic and the others the "irregulars." The editor of the World himself remarks:—

"It shows that we who are "regular" must admit that our homœopathic brethren are much the more uniform, except in the matter of potency, and many of them claim that if the right drug is chosen, the potency is not important."

DONATIONS IN OCTOBER

The Lady Superintendent acknowledged with many thanks the following donations received in October:—

Flower Mission—Cut flowers.

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BAZAAR.

The members of the Woman's Auxiliary are putting forth every effort to make the Bazaar, to be held in the Windsor Hall on Dec. 7th, a great success. Good music will be one of the attractions, and Punch and Judy, so dear to the children, will be there it is hoped.

An Egyptian Soothsayer with two assistants will cast the horoscope for all who wish to consult him in his retreat, surrounded by the mysterious.

Pop corn will be provided in many pretty forms, and the P.S.A. Club will have charge of the lemonade table.

The city union of King's Daughters will, with Mrs. E. Von Rappard, have charge of the High Tea to be served from six o'clock till seven, for which special tickets are being prepared. This will be the social hour when friends may arrange to meet and have tea together, and the workers will avoid the usual rush home for their evening meal. Gentlemen will find a substantial meal and rest before looking over the dainty fancy wares for sale, and solve their difficulties over what to get for Christmas gifts. Mrs. Gaunt will have the latest New York novelties and some artistic copper articles directly imported from London; useful and fancy articles will be found on the Apron Table, the fancy work table and the one in charge of a club of young girls.

An accurate scale will weigh and measure all who desire to settle those important questions.

It is earnestly hoped that all the friends of the Homoeopathic Hospital will assist by their presence and contributions in making the success a grand one.

Donations may be left at Mrs. J. T. Hagar's, 376 Mountain St., or at the hospital till the day of the bazaar, when they

may be taken directly to the Hall and given to any of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Tickets may be procured at the Hospital, from the members, or at the door.

HOSPITAL NOTES

THE MANY friends of Miss Kent, formerly lady superintendent of our hospital, will be pleased to learn that after a year's rest at home she has again taken up work, having been appointed lady superintendent of the Howe Hospital, Canyon City, Colorado.

OUR HOSPITAL is not forgotten, even though the breadth of a continent intervenes. A post card was received from a friend in Los Angeles, Cal., asking when the bazaar was to be held, so she might send a contribution.

DR. A. J. WEIRICK, formerly of the hospital staff, is now practicing in Illinois, about 60 miles outside of Chicago.

HAVE you seen the improvements in the maternity annex and the change made in the elevator?

NO HOSPITAL in this city or province offers such facilities for care of all classes of patients and thorough training of nurses, under one roof and management.

MAKE enquiries about the extra room in the maternity annex and see if you haven't some furniture you could spare to fit it up appropriately.

THE HOSPITAL library has received some valuable books from the estate of the late E. J. Barbeau. What have you to spare?

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DON'T FORGET the annual bazaar. This function has become one of the social events of the season and eagerly looked forward to. As the privilege of working for it only comes once a year, don't miss your opportunity.

LAST MONTH was the best one the hospital ever had in regard to actual receipts from its own work.

THE LAST examination of nurses shows a class of a higher grade than has ever been reached in the history of the training school.

DR. BRADLEY, of Ottawa, Ont., a graduate of the University of Michigan, is the latest addition to our ranks in this city. The doctor has received his license from the Lieut.-Governor, and we hope to soon see him take his place on the hospital staff. He is at present staying with Dr. Griffith.

OUR EFFICIENT treasurer, Dr Morgan, has been working about 48 hours a day of late in getting up an inventory of the hospital goods and chattels.

SEND IN your subscriptions to the hospital for the Record for next year. It is only 25 cents for the next 13 numbers. You will surely get your money's worth next year. Let everybody get four other subscribers and send in the even one dollar.

REMEMBER, there is going to be a Christmas tree for nurses and patients.

COME to the annual meeting of the Governors on Nov. 29th, at 4:30 p.m., and hear the annual reports and help in the election of officers and otherwise show your sympathy and interest.

SEND to the Record any items of interest you have or know about the hospital. Leave them with the Lady Supt.

THE HOSPITAL will be pleased to furnish extra copies of the Record if you want some to send to friends.

WHEN speaking of the hospital paper, ask your friends for advertisements. They help, and we are after money.

WHO WILL FURNISH a small maternity ward? It having become necessary to cut a door between the Hospital and the Maternity wards, some changes in the arrangement of the rooms were made which gives an extra ward, for which there are no furnishings of any kind. There is a demand for a medium priced room, and the opportunity is here presented, and may not occur again for years, for anyone wishing to do this for the Hospital to perpetuate the name of a friend or relative, at a moderate cost. The room can be seen, and Miss Lorenz, the Lady Superintendent, will give the necessary information as to what is required.

OUR HOSPITAL.

The hospital year 1901, which closed Oct. 30th, has been an eventful one in many respects. Beginning in a chaotic state owing to the change of Lady Superintendent and House Officer, it has wound up with a condition of affairs eminently satisfactory, when the circumstances are taken into consideration. The reports which will appear in the next issue of the Record will show an amount of work done and financial obligations met flattering enough to encourage our many friends and well wishers. The changes in the working efficiency of the hospital have amply proved the wisdom of the choice of Miss Lorenz as Lady Superintendent and the appointment of Dr. Pollock as Resident Physician. The practical opening of the maternity annex and the successful operation thereof augurs well for its future and redounds to the credit of the Woman's Auxiliary in undertaking the venture.

The almost uninterrupted occupancy of the private rooms and semi private wards is fair testimony that outside physicians as well as our own staff are satisfied that we can offer better facilities and accommodation than is usually obtained elsewhere. The facilities of the operating room have been particularly attractive to the surgeons of both schools, and the efficiency of the nursing has repeatedly been favorably commented on, which, by the way, is one of our best means of making ourselves felt and known.

Miss McLagan, "99," is in Sherbrooke, Que., visiting her mother, and she will probably remain for the winter.

Miss Grant, "97," has fully recovered after a year's succession of illness and has again resumed work.

Miss Willoughby, "99," after enjoying a holiday at the Pan. Am., is again ready for work.

Misses Ryan and Duval, "99," were on special private duty at the Royal Victoria Hospital.

Nurse Bartholomew, "03," has the sympathy of her class mates and friends in the sad calamity that has recently befallen her, through the death of her father.

Miss Eva E. Keating, "01," niece of Senator Müller, having completed her term of training, successfully passed the required examinations and was granted her diploma. Miss Keating makes the eighteenth graduate of the school; she will remain at the hospital as assistant to the Lady Supt.

Five nurses, Misses Trench, Spence, Bartholomew, Salisbury and Warren, successfully passed their second year examinations and are now full fledged seniors.

Miss Costen, the junior nurse who was so dangerously ill with scarlet fever last spring, paid the hospital a visit last month.

Lectures for the session 1901-1902 began last month, Dr. H. M. Patton delivering the opening lecture on Surgery, Oct. 8th.

Miss Keating was the last of the nurses to graduate under the two year term of training. She has been fortunate in having the maternity training during her last six months of hospital work.

The nurses are very much indebted to Dr. Pollock, resident physician, for his efficient aid in drilling and quizzing them for their examinations.

COUGHS

At this season of the year when coughs are so prevalent a few characteristic symptoms of the remedies most frequently used may not come amiss.

Cough is a symptom and the cause should be ascertained and removed.

In simple cough a cold compress about the throat at night will generally give relief. Drink small quantities of cold water at frequent intervals. To help the irritation, gum-water; glycerine, three parts, and lemon juice, one part, will prove of service.

ACONITE, 3x.—Hard, dry, barking cough; little or no expectoration; feverishness; useful in early stages only.

BELLADONNA, 3x.—Short, dry, hollow, convulsive cough; worse at night or when lying down, tickling in throat, as from dust, laryngeal soreness.

BRYONIA, 2x-3x.—Hard, dry, shaking cough, racking cough; patient is sore from coughing; expectoration slight.

CAUSTICUM, 3x-6x. For cough following grippe, which is persistent and painful; tickling cough, relieved by a drink of water; a great deal of rawness in throat and hoarseness.

DROSERA, 2x.—For cough ending in retching and vomiting, resembling whooping cough; worse at night; spasmodic cough.

EUPATORIUM, Perf. 1x-2x.—Hacking cough; cough that jars patient all over, leaving him sore, as if beaten.

HEPAR SULPHUR, 3x-6x.—Hoarse, croupy cough, with loose edge; oppression low down in chest; sticking pain in throat; worse from exposure to cold air or from drinking cold water.

HYOSCIAMUS, 2x.—Convulsive cough, worse at night; sometimes incessant, aggravated by eating, talking, etc.; relieved by sitting up; dry cough.

IGNATIA, 2x-3x.—Nervous, dry, spasmodic cough in quick successive shocks, as if a feather was in the throat; the more the patient coughs the more he wants to; cough in evening on lying down.

KALI BICH, 3x.—Hard, barking cough which seems to start from stomach; expectoration tough, stringy, yellow and hard to get up.

MERCURIUS, SOL, 3x. — Dry cough, worse in evening; may have thick, yellow mucus; of value in bilious subjects.

PHOSPHORUS, 6x-30x. — Dry, tickling cough, worse going from a warm room into a cold one or changes from heat to cold; worse at night or from talking; lightness and oppression of chest.

PULSATILLA, 3x. — Has aggravation at night and is worse when coming from the cold into a warm room and has expectoration of thick, yellow mucus.

RUMEX, 3x. — Sensitiveness to atmospheric changes; suffocative cough, aggravated on going into the cold air; tickling in larynx and trachea.

SPONGIA, 2x. — Hard, ringing, metallic cough; pain in larynx; worse at night; croup; worse from deep breathing.

TARTAR EMETIC or Antimonium Tart, 3x 6x. — It sounds as though every cough would raise the phlegm but none comes; loose rattling cough with sawing and whistling in chest; cough easily excited.

NITRIC ACID, 6x. — Dry, tickling cough, worse at night; violent, with stinging and smarting as of a small ulcer in larynx, usually on left-side.

CONIUM 3x. — Dry, spasmodic, hacking cough, worse on lying down, fatiguing mucus cannot be expectorated. Useful in old people; cough is caused by irritation in larynx as of a dry spot.

A quartette of remedies most often useful in nocturnal coughs is **BELLADONNA, HYOSCIAMUS, LACHESIS, NITRIC ACID.** Most coughs are worse on lying down, this is especially true of **LYCOPodium; PHOSPHORUS RUMEX** and **SILICEA.** In a future issue will be published the symptoms of remedies prominently used in "colds" and catarrhal troubles.

The potencies given are those most frequently used. The dose varies in quantity, depending on whether pills, tablets, disks, or water are used as con-

veying medium. The frequency of dose should be from one to three hours, dependent on patient's condition and urgency of case.

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NEW BOOKS

MODERN MEDICINE. — We have received from D. Appleton & Co., New York, the third American edition of Strumpell's Practice of Medicine. Although intended for practitioners and students of medicine, the book contains much interesting and valuable information for the general public. This being the latest work of the kind, is thoroughly abreast of the current of modern medical thought and research. Strumpell's work

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has always been standard, and the addition of editorial notes by Dr. Shattuck enhances the value of the work to English readers. As the work comes from Appleton's, comment on the make up and mechanical elegance is unnecessary. Although thinking differently as to methods of treatment, we can confidently recommend this work to those in search of the latest and best in modern medicine.

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VARIOLINUM.—Dr. H. M. Bishop, of Los Angeles, California, has a paper in the September Pacific Coast Journal of Homoeopathy strongly advocating the use of Variolinum, both in the prevention and treatment of small-pox.

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