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IDEAS ABOUT MEDICINE.

What a Physician Says About the Limits and Accidents of Doctors. (Address of George T. Welch, M. D., before New Jersey Medical Society.)

The modern physician, in his multitudinous drugs, finds few remedies. The average of human life is greater, but commerce and the arts have given greater comfort, better food, new thoughts, wiser horizons, and none of the sciences can claim too great a share in the world's advancement. Medicine finds its highest achievements in the prevention, not in the cure of disease. Cancer shows a steady relative increase in England; in New Jersey the average death rate from this disease is one in fifty-four of all the deaths that occur. Malarial diseases spread in wider circles. Do not the ravages of tuberculosis go on? Who has won eminence in curing yellow fever? The exanthemata sweep into and out of every neighborhood about once in five years. Who cures rheumatism or typhoid fever, or chronic Bright's disease? Who never recoiled before a patient simpering in the horrible slow flame of pyæmia? And yet who refrains from prescribing? The journals teem with fortunate prescriptions, the nostrums of manufacturing chemists push braggart charlatanisms to the wall. No monstrous-ness of their so impudent that a dozen college professors will not laud the mixture. This was once the province of the clergy, but we do things differently now.

The young doctor believes in the magic of drugs; the old doctor regard the majority of them as mischievous, while the pathologist suspects them all. We hear of the so-called cures, but rarely do we hear of the failures. Truth can never be arrived at until both sides are known. As to the drugs, most of them are poisons. Solutions of the majority of them destroy plants, and corrode the vital organs of animals. The test of new drugs upon animals, and the argument from these to man, is in many instances highly fallacious. Such drugs as morphia and atropia have slender effects on birds and herbivorous animals, while many others have frequently toxic effects, without corresponding symptoms in man. As, for instance, citric and tartaric acids, camphor, cocculus, dulcamara and liq. ammon. acet., poisons fatally in their order cats, rabbits, dogs and fish? Some drugs act differently upon different animals, as colocynth, which has feeble action on horses, sheep and swine, while it purges dogs and rabbits violently; cyclamen poisons fish, while pigs can eat any quantity of the root; hyoseyamus is eaten without harm by hogs, and does not injure sheep or cows, while upon dogs it has much the same effect as upon man.

The only way to arrive at the average merit of new drugs or the old is to record the results of their application in the same classes of disease under the varying conditions of hygienic surroundings over vast areas. But this is not practicable, for the majority of physicians are plodders, followers, men of routine. One other means presents itself: colleges of experimental medicine, conducted under the eyes of the state, or the supervision of the highest medical authorities. Here should be rigorous system, exact registration, frequent comparison and correction. At the same time we must recollect, for all our attainments, that but comparatively little is known of the natural history of diseases. The tendency of nature to remedy ills without interference would astound the medical world could it be known aright. Hundreds of diseases would end in recovery, if never a drug were given. We deceive ourselves with cures. The last drug gets the credit, where none deserves it. On the other hand, many diseases have continued to be incurable for ages, though even the wisest physician would probably feel himself criminal not to prescribe something. And given one thing, to give another is a natural sequence.

Even to give an ample margin, after twenty-five leading medicines, as iron, iodine, quinine, strychnine, brandy and opium have been selected from the mass of drugs persistently thrust upon the profession, the rest might be "in the flat sea sunk," and the death-rate be no greater.

Business Gambling.

[Century "Topics of the Time."] Perhaps the most culpable, because the most responsible, of the men who have stimulated the gambling mania are the bankers who supply the capital without which these transactions could not be carried through the exchange under the guise of transfers of stock. These bankers know very well that the business would be regarded by them as immoral and unsound if the profits were not so captivating. Said one of them to a new firm of brokers whose account he was taking: "Whatever you do, don't lay down on your bank;"—in other words: "When the day of disaster overtakes you, protect your financial partner from loss by 'laying down' on somebody else." Of greater significance is the fact that "conservative" bankers and brokers, who are eager to help others into the mazes of Wall street, prefer to have their customers think it is a rule of the firm never to gamble on its own account. It is a question to what extent these abuses of legitimate trade can be corrected by legislative remedies.

Occupations of Women.

[Burlington Hawkeye.] In Boston the women wear eye-glasses and read Greek, in Philadelphia they have grandpapas and hammer brass, in Baltimore they have their photographs taken, in Washington they talk politics and precedence, in Chicago they paint plaques, in Louisville they dress, and in New York they ask the police if they know where their husbands are?

Reversal of an Ancient Adage.

[Yonkers Statesman.] "When I was young," said Mrs. Yeast, "the principle used to be to spend as you go." "Well, isn't it just the same now?" inquired Mr. Crimsonbeak. "Bless you, no," replied the old lady, throwing down the paper of a recent bank defalcation; "the principle of bank people seems to be to spend before you go!"

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