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### PREFACE.

TRUTH is not Truth save only to the Infinite; to the mind of mortal man Truth is not necessarily Truth, but only that which appears to be true. Hence it is that what is a glorious truth to one man is inglorious nonsense to another, and both individuals may be equally honest of purpose and of like earnestness in their search after Truth.

Minds have their affinities no less than matter, and no one ought, after reflection, to be disappointed to find his own most cherished pursuits contemned and ridiculed by men of other minds.

The contents of this little volume appear to the writer to constitute an important elucidation of certain, otherwise obscure, clinical phenomena; for him vaccinosis is a sub-division of the sycosis of Hahnemann; and its recognition of considerable utility in the consulting-room

and at the bedside. The idea of using Thuja Occidentalis as here recommended is not new, nor is it peculiar to the writer, though it is but very little known in this country, and still less acted upon, and hence it is hoped that the publication of these pages may help to establish vaccinosis as a form of disease, and Thuja as one of its chief remedies.

There is an admirable Prize Essay on Thuja, by a learned German physician of eminence. Dr. H. Goullon, of Weimar, entitled "Thuja Occidentalis. Abendländischer Lebensbaum. Eine monographisch-therapeutische Abhandlung nebst Kritischer Beleuchtung der sogenannten LUES GONORRHOICA (blenorrhoischen Syphilis) oder Sykosis Hahnemann's von Dr. Med. H. Goullon." This important essay obtained the prize of the Homaopatische Centralverein of Germany, and was published at Leipsic in 1877, by Baumgärtner. It is a complete monograph on the subject of which it treats, and is eminently instructive and suggestive.

In Dr. Goullon's Essay, p. 64, we read "Dr. Kunkel erinnert bei dieser Gelegenheit an die Aehnlichkeit des Krankheitsbildes, wie es die von uns so genannte Vaccinose, d. i. der Complex von Krankhaften Symptomen nach dem Impfen bietet und wie es der eben beschriebene sycotische Tripper darstellt. Auch sei bei beiden das Incubationsstadium verhältnissmässig kurz." And, again, p. 120, "Folgen des Impfens und Revaccinirens."

To those to whom the evidence adduced may be insufficient as proof of the existence of vaccinosis, to those, it is submitted, the facts may nevertheless possess some interest merely as a Contribution to the Clinical History of Thuja Occidentalis.

And, moreover, if the *Thuja* cured the recorded cases it must be manifest that , the efficacy of very minute doses is a factor yet to be reckoned with by practical medicine, both curative and preventive.

Of the critics it is merely asked that