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It is often remarked that the Domestic Works on Homeopathy seem to contain every phase and symptom of disease, except the particular one which it is required to treat, and from the plan upon which most of these Domestic Treatises are written, it is necessarily difficult to embrace many of those features of disease which commonly arise, without being very lengthy and therefore perplexing, in the directions given. With a view of obviating this difficulty, and of rendering this Work comprehensive and clear, it has been formed upon the plan adopted in Physicians' Manuals ; and as this plan differs essentially from that of the ordinary Domestic Works, the following explanation as to the proper application of Homeopathic medicines should be clearly understood :—

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Under Homeopathy, the use of every medicine is definite; each remedy is adapted to remove certain symptoms only, of disease : that is, a medicine will cure some symptoms of disease of the head, but not others; some symptoms of disease of the eyes, but not others; and so on with each part of the body, removing and curing certain symptoms for which it alone is adapted; and these symptoms being ascertained, indicate when it, as a remedy, is required, and form the basis of all Homeopathic practice.

Having therefore this knowledge of all or most of $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij} = 0$

the symptoms of a disease which a medicine will cure, its use as a remedy in any disease is only limited by its entire range of operation ; as for instance, Nux Vomica is adapted to cure certain bilious symptoms, but it is likewise useful in curing certain symptoms of disease of the head, eyes, mouth, throat, &c., so that in any case where any such symptoms exist with derangement of the stomach or bilious symptoms, the application of Nux Vomica as a remedial agent is only limited, as well as defined, by a knowledge of its entire range of operation throughout the whole body.

It will thus be seen that wherever any medicine is useful, as for example, Nux Vomica in derangement of the stomach or headache, &c., the only way to meet every case of derangement of the stomach or headache, &c., which may cocur, and for which Nux Vomica may be applicable, is either to refer to one full statement of all the states of disease and symptoms which Nux Vomica will cure, or to insert them all at length every time Nux Vomica is recommended, otherwise much that the medicine may be useful for, and which may occur, will be omitted.

The first of these plans, that of referring for a knowledge of the uses of a medicine to one full account of what it will cure and of what it is useful for, is the most comprehensive, and is devoid of much of the perplexity attendant upon the second. It is the plan upon which Physicians' Manuals are formed; and a statement of what each medicine is useful for, will be found in Part II. of the present Work.

The second plan, of course, entails a constant repetition wherever the same remedy is prescribed, and as it is impossible to insert all that a medicine is applicable for, every time it is recommended, much that it may be suitable for in a disease is frequently omitted. This is the plan adopted in most of the Domestic Works on Homeopathy; those symptoms only are inserted under each medicine which the author thinks beforehand most likely to occur, and which he thinks most suitable for the guidance of the patient in the selection of the remedy. Hence the frequent expression referred to at the commencement of this preface.

The symptoms even when thus selected are frequently so numerous as to render the Domestic Works perplexing and confusing. Where the reader turns to the article "Indigestion," and finds detailed under Nux Vomica twenty or thirty lines of symptoms (most of which he never had) as appertaining to that complaint, and for which that medicine is useful, it becomes much more difficult for him to make the proper selection of a remedy, than it would be if he had a short statement of what Nux Vomica is prominently useful for in the complaint, and was referred to a general article of all that Nux Vomica will cure for any detail he may require to ascertain. All that is necessary is to have a correct knowledge of the character of the disease we have to treat, its symptoms and phases, and a correspondingly correct knowledge of the symptoms of disease which a

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medicine will cure. A study and comparison of the whole symptoms for which a medicine is applicable and the whole of the symptoms of disease existing in the patient, is then alone necessary to make a right choice.

An endeavour has been made in the present Work to overcome much of this difficulty, by inserting under each medicine in each disease those symptoms only which are most important, and by giving a copious Medical Index and statement of what each medicine will oure, by means of which all other details may be easily and speedily learnt.

This Manual is a compilation from the best Authors on the subject, whose names are here inserted; and whose known character as standard references is a sufficient guarantee for the soundness of the work.

- The following Standard Works have been made use of in this compilation :---
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