MEDICAL NOTES.

BAD MEDICINE IN CHINA.—The Chinese penal code provides that when an unskilful physician, in administering medicines or using the acupuncture needle, proceeds contrary to the established forms, and thereby causes the death of the patient, the magistrate shall call in other physicians to examine the medicines or the wound. If it appear that the injury done was unintentional, the practitioner shall then be treated according to the statute for accidental homicides, and shall not be allowed any longer to practice medicine. But, if he have designedly departed from the established forms, and have practised deceit in his attempts to cure the malady in order to gain property, then, according to its amount, he shall be treated as a thief; and if death ensue from his malpractice, then for having thus used medicine with intent to kill he shall be beheaded. There appears to be nothing in the "Celestial" code answering to the laws of "barbarian" nations, concerning civil damages recoverable by parties made to suffer from "unintentional" malpractice.

THE AFRICAN SLEEPING DISEASE.—A singular and invariably fatal malady, called lethargus, is reported to be peculiar to negroes in certain districts on the western coast of Africa. The patient, usually a male adult, is seized, without any premonitory symptoms, with a sensation of drowsiness, which continues rapidly to increase, in spite of all efforts to throw it off, until he sinks into a profound and seemingly natural sleep, and which continues for about twenty-one days, when death takes place. Throughout the course of the disease, the patient preserves a quiet and peaceful countenance, may be easily aroused for a short time, will take nourishment, and generally answer a few questions in a perfectly rational manner; the pulse, respiration and temperature remain normal throughout, the pupil is neither dilated nor contracted to any noticeable extent, and the voidings are comparatively regular; in fact, with the exception of the abnormal tendency to sleep, nothing exists to denote disease. Many careful post-mortem examinations have been made by competent men, but nothing of an abnormal character has been found, while every remedy that could possibly be of any avail has been tried without any apparent beneficial effect.

STRANGE FACTS RELATING TO PRESCRIPTIONS.—One of the British medical journals gives the results of an inquiry undertaken in a certain district, to ascertain the decree of accuracy which was observed in the dispensing of prescriptions. In all, fifty prescriptions were sent out, namely, thirty to chemists and druggists, fourteen to co-operative stores, two to "doctors' shops," and four to certain drug companies. They decided to give a liberal margin for errors, and accordingly did not schedule any prescription as incorrectly made up if the chief constituent were within ten per cent of the amount ordered. According to this classification no fewer than seventeen out of the fifty prescriptions were incorrectly dispensed; the limits of error were also very wide indeed, for in one case the quantity of the drug supplied was less by eighty-five per cent than that ordered, and in another fifty-seven per cent more than had been ordered. The chemists and druggists pure and simple come out of this ordeal with great credit, as in only two cases did the errors mount up so largely as to be scheduled, while co-operative stores figure on the black list three times, the "doctors' shop" once, and the "drug company" three times. Briefly, of the latter class, seventy-five per cent were untrustworthy, also fifty per cent of those from "doctors' shops," while twenty per cent of those from stores and six per cent of those from regular druggists exceeded the margin of error.

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