

NEW AND NONOFFICIAL REMEDIES, 1912. Containing descriptions of the articles which have been accepted by the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Association prior to January 1, 1912, Chicago. American Medical Association.

The up to date and progressive pharmacist has long since become acquainted with this annual publication of the American Medical Association. In addition to being an enumeration of the articles that have been accepted by the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Association as complying with its rules, this book also contains descriptions, tests and standards for practically all of the more widely used nonofficial remedies. As a source of useful information regarding the newer materia medica, N. N. R. is perhaps unexcelled by any book of reference in the English language, and no active dispensing pharmacist can well afford to be without it

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A correspondent of the Chicago Record-Herald divides all the world into two parts, thus:

“There are two distinct types of mind, or spirit: One is beneficent, benevolent, altruistic, interested in the truth, but unskilled in turning things to one's own personal advantage. The other has the underlying instinct to turn every movement of society to its own pecuniary advantage.”

The first social or political issue ever suggested to the human race was when Cain, the murderer, answered the Lord, “Am I my brother's keeper?” Cain's idea was that he was not, and ever since then a very large portion of the human race has inherited his idea. Cain got mad at Abel because the Lord favored him and accepted his sacrifice. Why? Because Cain's life was not in accordance with his professions.

We see these days so many people jealous of others on account of the others' success; but that success came because they did the right thing, lived clean and wholesome lives; their sacrifices were accepted, not because the lambs were better than the fruits, but because they themselves kept sober, honest, diligent, upright, and just. It depends upon what a man is, whether his sacrifice is accepted or not. Abel himself was noble, pure, honest and square, and because he was so, the Lord favored him and Cain slew him. So runs the world. There is still murder in the garden of Eden.—*Ohio State Journal*.