

final, apparently unaided and original conclusions, that "the success attending it [reduction of the dislocation] would certainly seem to indicate that, on the one hand, the dangers of vertebral reduction are greatly exaggerated, and that, on the other, the benefit occurring from such reduction in seemingly grave cases has not been fully appreciated." No ; the painful conclusion is forced upon us that Dr. Gray, in spite of all his gifts, either lacks originality, or will not sufficiently exert himself to command it. And by "originality" in this connection we mean, of course, not originality in research, but originality in his manner of appropriating the researches of others.

We trust that no one will infer, from the above remarks, that we have any intention of treating Dr. Gray seriously ; that we desire to make him recognize priority for an original line of argument, for original conclusions, or for unique cases ; that we would attempt to impress upon him that, in medicine, original workers and observers depend upon professional courtesy for a recognition of their labors. By no means ; we have far too keen an appreciation of the rôle he is enacting for that. But if we could prevail upon him to bear in mind that the greatest and most entertaining charlatans of history have been men of more than one idea, and that whoever aspires to rival their fame must have more than one idea likewise, we shall not have written in vain. Should he fail to arouse himself, there is some danger lest he go down to posterity as a sort of scientific blotting-pad, whose sole originality consists in the doctor's signature.

VOL. i, No. 1, of the *American Journal of Stimulants and Narcotics* lies before us. This new journal is to be published monthly, at a subscription price of \$2.00 per year, under the able editorial management of Dr. H. H. Kane, whose recent exhaustive studies upon the "Opium-habit" have made his name agreeably familiar to medical readers.

The main object of this new publication is "to study the sub-

ject of inebriety in all its forms "; not regarding, however, inebriety " as always a disease, or as always a vice."

We sympathize with the editor when he writes : " if any thing, the subject has been over-written, although not over-studied."

We expect much from Dr. Kane, and wish him every success in his enterprise.