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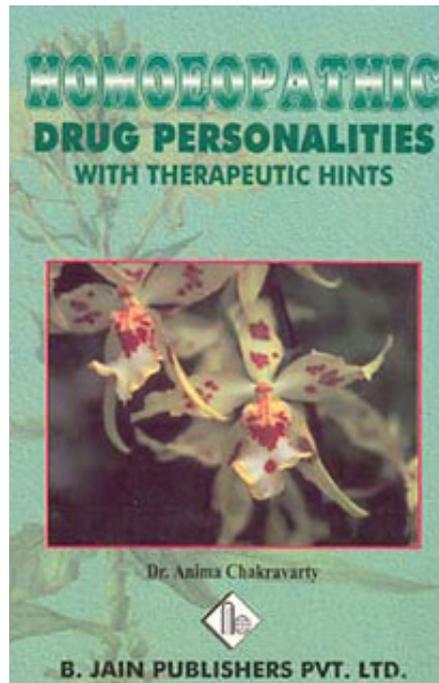
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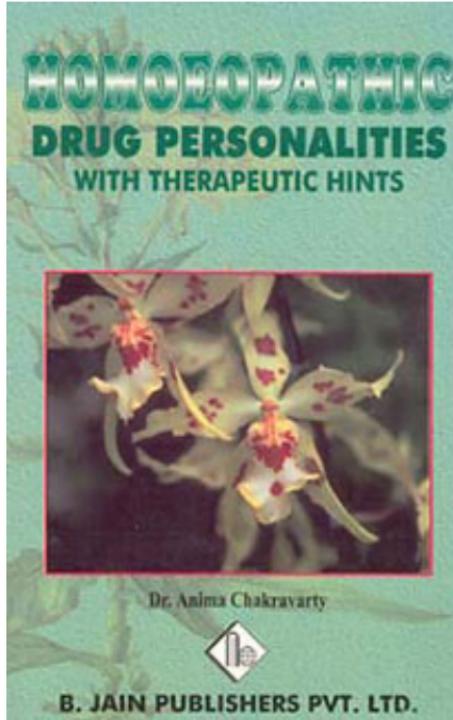


Introduction

Dr. Samuel Hahnemann, the Father of Homoeopathy, repeatedly points out in his *Organon of Medicine* that the three-fold powers, Life, Disease and Drug are all spirit-like or dynamic in nature. Our life or vital force is a spirit-like dynamis, which is attacked by the diseases in a spirit-like dynamic way, and all diseases are removed by the spirit-like alterative powers of the serviceable medicines. Thus when we have to consider the cure of diseases, we have to consider the relation of these three dynamic forces. These three forces, Life or Vital Force, the Disease Force and the Medicinal Force, being dynamic in nature, are regarded as three personalities. We learn from the *Organon of Medicine* how to make a perfect match between diseases and medicines. The correspondence between the diseases and drugs lies at the basis of Homoeopathic Therapeutics. This correspondence makes the cure of diseases possible. In para 18 of *Organon*, The Master says, "the sum of all the symptoms and conditions in each individual case of disease must be the *sole indication, the sole guide to directus* in the choice of a remedy," and in para 22 he says, "medicines can show nothing curative besides their tendency to produce morbid symptoms in healthy persons and to remove them in diseased persons". Thus what is a Homoeopathic medicine ? A Homoeopathic medicine is that which produces morbid symptoms in healthy persons and removes the same in diseased persons. This correspondence between the disease-pictures and the medicine-pictures gives the curative power to the medicines. Now, what are these pictures and how do they help us ? When a person falls ill, he indicates his sickness by the sum total of the symptoms and signs which are nothing but changed sensations and functions. This totality (we have to see, however, what this totality actually means and signifies) is the disease-picture. And

medicines produce the same pictures when they are applied in healthy individuals. But neither of these pictures - the disease-picture or the medicine-picture is the mathematical sum total of morbid symptoms and signs in a sick person or in a healthy person as the case may be. Now we have to see what the actual significance of these pictures is.

A rational personality known as a human being is not only the sum-total of the features visible in a physical body. This personality means much more than that. Of course, the physical appearance with its special features is the beginning of our knowledge of a human personality. But if we are to know the man, we have to know the mental faculties as well - the traits of character with all the merits and demerits possessed by him and the subtle workings of the inner mind. This totality of all the physical features, mental and moral traits including the subtle workings of the inner mind and the mode of reactions, physical, mental and environmental conditions and stimuli, completes our study of a human personality. Similarly, each homoeopathic medicine has a character and personality of its own. When we study the individual medicines, we form in our mind a definite picture of the character, modalities and personality of each medicine which gives it a distinct place of its own and distinguishes it from all other medicines. So the object of our study of Homoeopathic Materia Medica is the formation in our own mind, of clear and distinct pictures of these drug - personalities.



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