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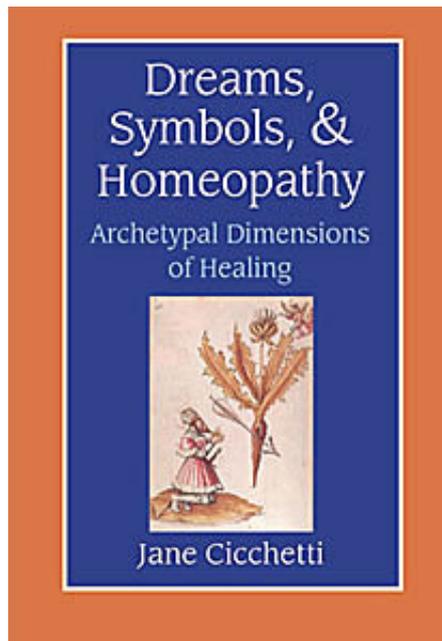
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Introduction

I first met Jane Cicchetti many years ago at a seminar and immediately felt that she had a lot to contribute to the world of homeopathy and healing. At that time homeopathy was not ready to receive many of her ideas, as very few people in the field were working with information from the symbolic world. Even so, I felt very strongly that it was important for her to continue in the direction she was going and knew that if she developed her work with dreams and symbols, she would make an important and reliable contribution to the field.

Jane developed her ideas of how dreams, symbols, and Jung's concept of the psyche fit into homeopathy to a high degree and the result is this book.

Now, the time is right to open our eyes to a bigger picture of what is meant by healing, and her work will help us to do this.

One of the most interesting things about this book is that, along with practical information, it opens the reader's awareness of the archetypal levels of reality, thereby creating the opportunity for change. Not only does Jane give a massive amount of information about symbolism and its clinical application, but she also touches the reader's unconscious symbolic world.

From the very beginning, on reading the first chapter, I felt inspired. This book not only enriched my conscious awareness of the healing process but also enlivened my unconscious world. My dream world started to awaken, and I began to understand more about my dreams. The meaning of even very old dreams that I had previously not understood became clear.

From my point of view, this is what is most important about this book—that it leads one to understand the symbolic world from a personal perspective, thus enlivening the symbolic world and allowing it to be used in healing both oneself and others.

In homeopathy, we like to prescribe on the biggest totality that we can perceive. This book explains how we can perceive a larger picture of reality through the insight that dreams and symbols give us into the world of the unconscious.

This is the first book on homeopathy to give an in-depth understanding of the psyche and the world of dreams. Jane explains in minute detail how to use dreams in a way that allows homeopaths to prescribe remedies with a greater level of confidence and accuracy.

The first chapter gives us a historical view of the development of underlying beliefs about healing and distinguishes between two different philosophies of medicine, empiricism and rationalism. This helps the reader understand the underlying philosophy of homeopathy as compared to conventional medicine.

The second half of the book is an exploration of symbols in regards to remedies within the homeopathic materia medica. Here, Jane helps us to understand the relationship between substances and human consciousness. Mythological and archetypal symbolism are compared with provings and clinically known uses of remedies to help expand the homeopath's understanding of their curative effects. Her exploration of the symbolic meaning of the actual substance clarifies the information in the original provings.

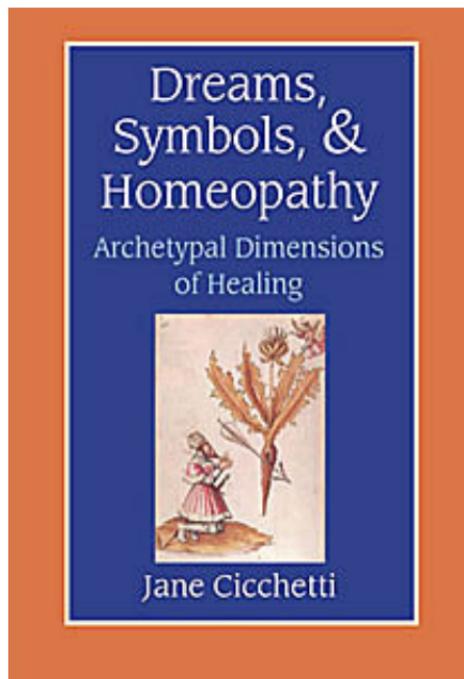
The information in the chapter on the seven metals and the chapter on trees is a treat in itself, and will be of interest to those to whom homeopathy is unknown and to the professional homeopath.

The beautiful chapter on the role of the "internal saboteur" in healing helps to shed light on the problem of the patient who never moves forward in the healing process. This chapter is especially important because it gives the professional homeopath a deeper understanding of why certain patients are not helped by the indicated remedy.

I hope that this book touches you as deeply as it did me and that you also feel that you can grow from it and use it in your daily practice.

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