

# THEOSOPHICAL QUOTES AND REFERENCES ON HEALTH

## On Count Mattei & his Electrohomeopathy

Count Mattei is mentioned favourably by W. Q. Judge in *The Cure of Diseases* as being able to produce famously effective medicines (Collected Articles 2:435-6). The Count was visited by Col. Olcott, himself was a well-known healer, and his system of *electrohomeopathy* is in popular use in India today.

This page gives some information on the Count, but note we are not qualified to endorse all that it gives. <https://fontanaeditore.com/it/nitrogeno/about-count-mattei-s-electrohomeopathy.html>

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“In Occultism, the *sine qua non* of the healing art is perfect personal health, moral purity, and altruism unmodified by self-interest of any kind. Where are there healers of this kind in the world today? ... This is not to deny the good done by those doctors whose methods are aids to the body's *natural* course of recovery... There are benefits to be derived from the *intelligent* use of drugs and herbs, from sensible dietetics and from the various forms of manipulative therapeutics.

“The wise physician finds some good in every natural method. Like Paracelsus he is a true eclectic. Each school of medical thought should recognise that whatever knowledge it may possess, is but a fragment, and that all of them together offer only a palliative measures in treating the physical body for ills which have their fundamental causes on the moral and psychic planes.”

*The Laws of Healing – Physical and Metaphysical*, ULT pamphlet, 1950s

“Imagination is a potent help in every event of our lives. Imagination acts on Faith, and both are the draughtsmen which who prepare the sketches for Will to engrave. This is all the secret. Half, if not two-thirds of our ailments and diseases are the fruit of our imagination and fears. Destroy the latter and give another bent to the former, and nature will do the rest.”

*Hypnotism, and its Relations to Other Modes of Fascination*, H. P. Blavatsky

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## On Paracelsus

His medicine encompassed the life force, the wisdom of nature, and the spiritual nature of man – it was 'holistic' in the modern sense. For Paracelsus everything in the world was 'alchemical,' the human organism, disease and drugs.

“Medicine is not only a science, it is an art... Imagination is creative power. Medicine uses imagination strongly fixed. Fantasy is not imagination but the frontier of folly... because man does not imagine perfectly at all times, arts and sciences are uncertain, though in fact, they are certain, and by means of imagination can give true results.”

“The origin of diseases is in man, and not outside of man; but outside influences act upon the inside and cause diseases to grow. There is no disease in the elements but the disease starts from the centres.... A physician who knows nothing about Cosmology will know little about disease. He should know what exists in heaven and upon the earth, what lives in the four elements and how they act upon man; [in fact] he should know what man is, his origin and his constitution; he should know the whole man, and not merely his external body. If man were in possession of a perfect knowledge of self he would not need to be sick at all.”

from *Paracelsus*, The Great Theosophists series

To minds engaged with universal ideas, such as the self of all creatures, the Divine Law of Justice, the evolution of all grades of beings, the great cycles of men and planets and universes – ideas of healing these temporary bodies appear very, very small. For what does healing mean? Getting rid of the effects which we ourselves have produced, consciously or unconsciously. What does a diseased body mean but that we have ignored our own natures and acted as though we were [only] bodies, and broken every law of hygiene that we know of? If we lived according to the laws of hygiene as we know them, these diseases would not be upon us.

*Mental Healing and Hypnosis*, ULT article

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## On Microbes

“Microbes are part of the inner milieu of the organism; microbes assist the metabolic processes of the body. Microbes only become pathogenic, when the organism is out of balance.”

Antoine Bechamp (1816-1908), renowned French scientist & chemist

“Le microbe n'est rien, le terrain c'est tout.”

“The microbe is nothing, but the [internal] terrain is everything.”

Claude Bernard (1813-1878), renowned French scientist & physiologist

### *The Secret Doctrine on microbes (now called viruses and bacteria)*

We are taught that every physiological change, in addition to pathological phenomena; diseases—nay, life itself—or rather the objective phenomena of life, produced by certain conditions and changes in the tissues of the body which allow and force life to act in that body; that all this is due to those unseen CREATORS and DESTROYERS that are called in such a loose and general way, microbes.† Such experimenters as Pasteur are the best friends and helpers of the Destroyers and the worst enemies of the Creators... However it may be, one thing is sure in this:

The knowledge of these primary causes and of the ultimate essence of every element, of its lives, their functions, properties, and conditions of change—constitutes the basis of MAGIC. Paracelsus was, perhaps, the only Occultist in Europe, during the last centuries since the Christian era, who was versed in this mystery. Had not a criminal hand put an end to his life, years before the time allotted him by Nature, physiological Magic would have fewer secrets for the civilized world than it now has.

† It might be supposed that these “fiery lives” and the microbes of science are identical. This is not true. The “fiery lives” are the seventh and highest subdivision of the plane of matter, and correspond in the individual with the One Life of the Universe, though only on that plane. The microbes of science are the first and lowest sub-division on the second plane—that of material *prâna* (or life). The physical body of man undergoes a complete change of structure every seven years, and its destruction and preservation are due to the alternate function of the fiery lives as “destroyers” and “builders.” They are “builders” by sacrificing themselves in the form of vitality to restrain the destructive influence of the microbes, and, by supplying the microbes with what is necessary, they compel them under that restraint to build up the material body and its cells. They are “destroyers” also when that restraint is removed and the microbes, unsupplied with vital constructive energy, are left to run riot as destructive *agents*. Thus, during the first half of a man’s life (the first *five* periods of seven years each) the “fiery lives” are indirectly engaged in the process of building up man’s material body; life is on the ascending scale, and the force is used in construction and increase. After this period is passed the age of retrogression commences, and, the work of the “fiery lives” exhausting their strength, the work of destruction and decrease also commences.

An analogy between cosmic events in the descent of spirit into matter for the first half of a manvantara (planetary as human) and its ascent at the expense of matter in the second half, may here be traced. These considerations have to do solely with the plane of matter, but the restraining influence of the “fiery lives” on the lowest sub-division of the second plane—the microbes—is confirmed by the fact mentioned in the foot-note on Pasteur (*vide supra*) that the cells of the organs, when they do not find sufficient oxygen for themselves, adapt themselves to that condition and form *ferments*, which, by absorbing oxygen from substances coming in contact with them, ruin the latter. Thus the process is commenced by one cell robbing its neighbour of the source of its vitality when the supply is insufficient; and the ruin so commenced steadily progresses.

*The Secret Doctrine* 1:263, H. P. Blavatsky

### **On Magnetism, Oxygen and Ozone**

“NATURE UNAIDED FAILS” – subtitle to Stanza II in *The Secret Doctrine*, 2:52.

A great truth was uttered by Dr. Francis Victor Broussais when he said: “If magnetism is true, medicine would be an absurdity.” Magnetism *is* true, and so we shall not contradict the learned Frenchman as to the rest...

An intimate practical knowledge of magnetism and electricity, their qualities, correlations, and potencies, a familiarity with their effects in and upon the animal kingdom and man, is especially necessary. There are occult properties in minerals and plants, of which, so called exact science is wholly ignorant. Our purest water would be found to yield, instead of its two declared simple elements of oxygen and hydrogen, many other constituents, undreamed of by our terrestrial modern chemistry. He who would allotropise sluggish oxygen into Ozone, reducing it to its pure essence (for which there are means) would discover thereby a substitute for an “Elixir of Life” and prepare it for practical use....

Thousands of years ago the initiated priests, spoken of as the “magicians and exorcists of sickness” healed diseases by magnetic processes. Animal magnetism (now called Suggestion and Hypnotism) was the principal agent in the healing temples of Aesculapius, where the patients were treated magnetically during their sleep.

HPB quoted in ULT pamphlet *The Laws of Healing – Physical & Metaphysical*

### **On the future union of Homeopathy and Allopathic Medicines**

“To an impartial observer it becomes evident that both sides have to be taken to task. The homeopaths, for their entire rejection of the allopathic methods; and their opponents, for shutting their eyes before facts, and their unpardonable a priori negation of what they are pleased to regard without verification as a quackery and an imposition. It becomes self-evident that the two methods will find themselves happily combined at no distant future in the practice of medicine.”

*The Bugbears of Science*, article by H. P. Blavatsky