

All That is Necessary.

The American Association for the Advancement of Science says the following lines are all that is necessary for the physician to learn in order to prescribe in the metric system:

1,000 milligrams make one gram.

1,000 grams or cubic centimeters make one kilo or liter.

65 milligrams make one grain.

15½ grains make one gram.

31 grams make one ounce, Troy.—*St. Louis Med. Review.*

A Doctor's Letter.

A well-known M. P. tells an amusing story of an old aunt of his. Being on one occasion very nervous, she told her physician she thought Bath would do her good.

"It's very odd," said Dr. W., "but that's the very thing that I was going to recommend to you. I will write the particulars of your case to a very clever man there, in whose hands you will be well taken care of."

The lady, furnished with the letter, set off. On arriving at Bath, feeling, as usual, very nervous, she said to a confidant:

"Long as Dr. Walter has attended to me he has never explained to me what ails me. I have a great mind to open his letter and see what he has stated of my case to the Bath physician."

In vain her friend represented to her the breach of confidence this would be. She opened the letter and read:

"Dear Davis:—Keep the old lady three weeks and send her back again."