

Concordance Repertories

"Concordance" → Word meaning:

- ① State of being in the same heart & mind, *harmony*
 - ② Arrangement in alphabetical order of important words used by a author in a book.
- It was used first in Homoeopathy By Boenninghaus in BTBP for relation^{ship} of remedies, which was later changed to "Relationship of Remedies" By Allen.

What is Concordance Repertory?

- It is a Repertory based on the alphabetical arrangement of the original symptoms of materia medica without changing them much.
- > It is just indexing the original symptom.
- > It belongs to the group of "Puritan Group of Repertories"

Two Repertories are Available

- ① Kneer's Repertory of Hering's Guiding Symptoms of our materia medica → 1896.
- ② Gentry's Concordance Repertory →

Kneer Repertory

Name: New Repertory of Hering's Guiding
Symptoms of our Materia medica
Year: 1896.

No. of Remedies: 438 medicines.

Source: Hering's analytical Materia Medica.
Four Grades of Distinction.

① Double thick black → Symptoms repeatedly
vertical lines (11) verified (highest mark)

→ Single thick vertical → Symptoms verified by
black lines (1) Cures.

→ Two ordinary vertical → More frequently confirmed,
lines (11) or if but one confirmed,
Strictly in character of
Genius of remedy.

Some signs to be remembered.

→ Perpendicular dotted → Observation.
lines (11)

T → Toxicological extracts.

Sign of hand → Cross reference to
related symptoms, disease
and condition.

② About the author:

→ Dr. Calvin Bryant Kneer (1847-1940). Graduated
in Philadelphia, Assistant to Hering.

→ He is Swedenborgian (Member of the Church of
New Jerusalem).

→ Works → Kneer Rep, Co-editor of 7 volumes of Hering
Guiding symptoms, Drug Relationship (1936),
Repertory of Headache (1894), The Conversation,
Talks, Life, and Time of Hering (1940).

Plan and Construction

→ The order of arrangement, or method of classification followed in the compilation is used by Dr. Hahnemann, developed, perfected by Dr. Hering throughout his entire materia medica. The anatomical or regional division into 48 chapters.

→ It starts with "Mind and disposition" and ends with chapter on "Drug Relationship" along with Index of complete localities and time.

→ The organic classification follows Hahnemann Schema till chapter 34.

Remaining chapters deal with the whole body.

The organic classification follows the following order:

- Above downwards
- From within outwards
- Functional symptoms to organic symptoms
- First parts then whole body.

Sailient features of some chapters

→ Each chapter is divided alphabetically into sections and divisions.

① Mind and Disposition → Abandoned to 700 magnetic, 200 subacute more than Kents mind chapter.

② Rest, Position and motion → < 17

③ Attacks and Periodicity → Season, Periodicity

④ Time → Afternoon, Noon, Evening etc.

- ⑤ Temperature and Weather → Air, Cold, dark.
- ⑥ Tissue → Adipose, Bones, Cartilages, Fibrous, Fluids, Muscles, Suppuration.
- ⑦ Stage of life and Constitution? Age, constitution, occupation, Habit, size, Temperament.
- ⑧ Drug Relationship → Antidotes, Collateral, Complementary, Trivial etc.

④ Index

How to Work out a Case?

→ This Repertory is mainly used for reference purpose not for systematic Repertorization.

→ The repertory has the following hierarchy.

So if the totality of the Case fits it, then Kneer's Repertory will be useful.

① Temperament and stage of life and constitution

② Mind-disposition with concomitants.

③ Physical generals (Appetite, Aversion, desire, Perspiration etc).

④ Complaints with salient features (modalities, concomitants, direction, etc).

⑤ Tissue affinities → Sensation and modality.

Single symptoms can also be referred with details which helps in acute cases, so called short case.

Merits

- Proverbs language
- Stages of life
- Constitution → 26 types
- Temperament → 7 types
- Drug relationship chapter
- Cross reference

Demerits

- Double column arrangement, difficult to find sub-subtopic, sub-sub-subtopic.
- Single remedy against

Gentry's Concordance Repertory

Year → ?

Author → William Gentry

Remedies → 420 Remedies

Volumes → 6 Volumes

Introduction

- While searching for a complex symptom.

"Constant dull frontal headache, worse in temples. with aching in umbilicus", he was made to compile this voluminous Repertory.

"If we only had a repertory arranged on the plan of Cudens Concordance of Bible, it would have been necessary only to letter 'U' under Umbilicus, find the desired symptoms."

Plan & Construction

→ In this second meaning of the word Concordance is used.

→ Symptoms are arranged alphabetically under each chapter.

The six volumes have following arrangement

Volume I → Mind & Disposition to Face

Volume II → Mouth to Hypochondria

Volume III → Abdomen to male sexual organ.

Volume IV → Uterus to Mammary Gland

Volume V → Voice to Dreams

Volume VI → Neck & Back to Genitalities

and Feet

- The author has used the Pharmacology of matéria medica without changing it much
- For example → Under Catarrhea few drugs, but under nervus many.
- One symptom can be referred in many places.
- This repertory can be useful for reference of any symptom, even a layman can use it. But not useful for systematic repertorization of a case.