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THE TRADITION THEY ACTUALLY BURIED

American Holistic Medicine in the Nineteenth Century: The Real Compendium Tradition, Its Shadow Side, and the Restoration Project

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PART ONE: THE TRADITION WAS REAL

I. The Setting — What Was Actually Happening in Nineteenth-Century American Medicine

The standard pharmaceutical-industry story asks you to believe that real, documented botanical medicine either never existed in organized form or was so thoroughly destroyed that it cannot be recovered. Neither is true. The nineteenth-century American holistic medicine world was vast, institutionalized, scientifically earnest by its own standards, deeply rooted in Christian faith, written and read by men and women alike, and documented in encyclopedias, dispensatories, family physician guides, and pharmacological journals that largely survive to this day.

What follows is not a nostalgic inventory of folk wisdom. It is a serious account of a serious tradition, one that had its own schools, its own journals, its own hospitals, its own internal debates, its own shadow side, and its own suppression. Understanding it correctly means holding all of that at once. No hagiography. No erasure. Full spectrum.

II. The Movements and Their Major Figures

A. Thomsonian Medicine (1820s–1850s) — The Populist Herbal Foundation

Samuel Thomson (1769–1843) was a New Hampshire farmer with no formal medical training. After watching his mother die, as he told it, under the care of the regular doctors, he turned against the bleeding, purging, and mineral drugs that passed for mainstream medicine in his day, began treating his own family with plants, and built a system of botanical healing that he patented in 1813. His *New Guide to Health; or, Botanic Family Physician* (1822) launched what historians call the American botanical movement.

The Thomsonian system was explicitly democratic and anti-elitist. Its core argument was that every family should be its own physician, that botanical knowledge should not be locked behind professional licensing, and that the Creator had provided in nature what the human body needs to heal. Thomson sold "family rights": for twenty dollars, a household got his book and the right to use his system. By 1839 the *New Guide* had gone through thirteen editions and sold more than 100,000 copies, and Thomson claimed three million followers in a country of fewer than seventeen million people: about one American in six, by his own count.

The movement's appeal was partly religious. Many of its followers read the Creator's intention directly into the healing properties of plants, and it drew heavily on rural Protestants who distrusted the increasingly professional, drug-heavy medicine of the day as both dangerous to the body and presumptuous toward God's natural order.

The system's chief weakness was its rigidity. Thomson guarded his patent fiercely, and late in life he opposed even his own followers' plans for Thomsonian medical schools. By the 1850s the movement had largely dissolved as a distinct force, absorbed into and superseded by the more scientifically ambitious eclectic movement that followed.

B. Eclectic Medicine (1840s–1939) — The Institutional Encyclopedia Tradition

Eclectic medicine was the flowering of the botanical tradition into something genuinely institutional and academically serious. The name comes from the Greek *eklegō*, "I choose out," signaling the movement's commitment to taking what worked from any tradition rather than binding itself to a single system. Eclectic physicians drew on botanical remedies, Native American plant knowledge, European herbal traditions, and the emerging science of pharmacology.

The Eclectic Medical Institute (EMI) received its charter from the State of Ohio in 1845 and became the movement's flagship school, in Cincinnati. At its height it had a distinguished faculty producing serious scientific literature. Its professors included John King, John Milton Scudder, John Uri Lloyd, Andrew Jackson Howe, and Frederick John Locke, men whose published works make up a genuine body of pharmacological knowledge, not folk legend.

KEY TEXT: KING'S AMERICAN DISPENSATORY (1854–1898)

The movement's definitive encyclopedia. First published in 1854 by Dr. John King as *The American Eclectic Dispensatory*, the work went through eighteen editions by 1898, each more comprehensive than the last. The 1898 edition, entirely rewritten by the eclectic physician Harvey Wickes Felter and the pharmacist John Uri Lloyd, remains one of the most thorough botanical pharmacological references in American history. Its two volumes are organized by plant and drug, with entries covering botanical description, habitat, active constituents, preparation, therapeutic use, and cautions. This is not herbalism as mysticism. It is herbalism as systematic empirical study, by the standards of its day.

The 1898 edition is free online at Henriette's Herbal Homepage (henriettes-herb.com) and the Southwest School of Botanical Medicine (swsbm.com). Scans of the 1854 first edition and later editions are on the Internet Archive. Public domain.

C. John Uri Lloyd and the Lloyd Library — The Institutional Archive

John Uri Lloyd (1849–1936) was arguably the most important figure in carrying botanical pharmaceutical knowledge from the nineteenth century into the twentieth. A pharmacist, chemist, novelist, and president of the American Pharmaceutical Association, Lloyd co-wrote the definitive edition of *King's American Dispensatory*, ran Lloyd Brothers, Pharmacists, as the leading supplier of botanical preparations to eclectic physicians across the country, and with his brothers Curtis Gates Lloyd and Nelson Ashley Lloyd built what is now the Lloyd Library and Museum in Cincinnati.

The Lloyd Library holds about 150,000 volumes, 3,000 linear feet of archives, and 3,000 artifacts, with rare books dating back to 1493. Its collections cover medicinal plants, botany, pharmacy, natural history, chemistry, horticulture, alchemy, ethnobotany, midwifery, and the history of medicine and science. It is still open, free to the public, in downtown Cincinnati. The archive was never destroyed. It is there right now, today, waiting.

Lloyd Library and Museum, 917 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. lloydlibrary.org. Free public access.

D. The Seventh-day Adventist Health Reform Tradition — Christian Prophecy as Medical Program

The most underappreciated lineage in the American natural-health movement is the Seventh-day Adventist one, because its origins are explicitly theological and prophetic, and because its institutional consequences were enormous and still shape the American health-food industry.

Ellen G. White (1827–1915), co-founder and prophetic voice of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, described visions in 1863 and 1865 concerning diet, hygiene, and the relationship between physical and spiritual health. From them came a full health-reform program: a vegetarian diet; abstinence from alcohol, tobacco, coffee, and tea; fresh air, exercise, and sunlight; water used therapeutically; and simple remedies in place of the harsh drugs of the day. Besides her books and thousands of articles, she left about 50,000 typewritten pages of letters and manuscripts, on health among many other subjects.

The Western Health Reform Institute opened in Battle Creek, Michigan, in September 1866 as a direct institutional expression of these visions. Under Dr. John Harvey Kellogg, who took charge of it in 1876, it became the Battle Creek Sanitarium. Kellogg's story is the shadow side of this tradition, fully documented and not to be avoided, and we come to it shortly.

The Adventist tradition helped build the American health-food industry, pioneered grain-based foods and alternatives to meat, and created a network of sanitariums, schools, and food companies that outlasted the Flexner era, in part because it rested on a church rather than on stand-alone medical schools exposed to accreditation pressure.

E. Sylvester Graham (1794–1851) — The Presbyterian Fiber Prophet

Graham cracker. That is the legacy most people know. But Sylvester Graham, ordained Presbyterian minister, temperance lecturer, and often called the father of American vegetarianism, was making observations about industrial food processing a century before mainstream medicine cared to listen.

His central argument was that the new industrial food, above all white flour milled free of its bran and germ, was harming human health. He urged whole-grain bread, fresh fruits and vegetables, a diet free of stimulants, and a life in harmony with natural law as a theological duty. His *Treatise on Bread and Bread-Making* (1837) found a wide readership, and Ralph Waldo Emerson is said to have called him "the poet of bran bread and pumpkins," with admiration and gentle mockery in equal measure.

Modern research on whole grains has borne out much of his case against refined flour, though not all of his reasons. The Garden shelf's companion paper, *Food Is the First Medicine*, takes up what that research says. Graham was also, as the next part shows, badly wrong about sexuality in ways that did real harm and need to be named directly.

F. The Popular Compendium Tradition — Household Medical Encyclopedias for the People

Beyond the major institutional figures, nineteenth-century America was flooded with household medical encyclopedias that gave ordinary families a synthesis of the healing traditions available to them. These were not fringe publications. They were mass-market household references, printed in very large numbers and organized for practical use. A representative sample of the genre:

New Guide to Health; or, Botanic Family Physician, by Samuel Thomson (1822). The populist founding text. Many editions are digitized by the National Library of Medicine and the Internet Archive.

The American Practice of Medicine, by Wooster Beach (3 vols., 1833), and its condensed family edition of the late 1840s. Beach was a bridge between Thomsonian and eclectic medicine. His *American Practice* covered diseases, botanical remedies, and case records in systematic detail, for both professional and household use.

King's American Dispensatory, 18th edition, by Harvey Wickes Felter and John Uri Lloyd (1898), building on John King's original. The definitive professional encyclopedia, with full botanical, chemical, and therapeutic entries running to two large volumes.

Our Family Physician, by H. R. Stout (1885). A mass-market household guide that gave, for each disease, the treatment of each of the competing schools separately (allopathic, homeopathic, hydropathic, eclectic, and herbal) so that readers could choose for themselves, with directions for nursing the sick and preparing their food.

The Favorite Medical Receipt Book and Home Doctor, by Josephus Goodenough, M.D. (1904). Compiled from the remedies of more than a hundred physicians and nurses: a compendium of practical observations from many practitioners.

Back to Eden, by Jethro Kloss (1939). The bridge between the nineteenth-century tradition and the twentieth-century natural-health revival. Deeply Christian in orientation, broad in herbal and dietary scope, and still in print; its publisher reports more than five million copies sold. Often dismissed as outdated, it remains a household reference and a direct line back to the older compendium tradition.

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PART TWO: THE SHADOW SIDE — NAMING IT HONESTLY

III. The Dark Thread Running Through the Same Tradition

Here is the thing about intellectual integrity: you do not get to celebrate the Thomsonian democratic impulse, the eclectic pharmacological rigor, and the Adventist prophetic health vision without also naming what ran alongside them, sometimes in the same institutions and sometimes in the same people. The same nineteenth-century Christian health-reform movement that produced genuine botanical science also produced an apparatus of body control, around sexuality, gender, and race, that was not incidental to the movement but woven into its ideological fabric. Naming this is not betraying the positive tradition. It is the only way to recover the positive tradition without inheriting its pathologies.

Not all people, denominations, times, or trends were doing the same thing. Not all holistic practitioners were eugenicists. Not all Adventists followed Kellogg's worst impulses. Not all temperance advocates were anti-sex zealots. These are different currents that braided together and must be separated out again with care. But the braiding happened. It is documented. We deal with it.

A. Sylvester Graham — The Fiber Prophet's Sexual Pathology

Graham's dietary science was often correct. His sexual ideology was a coherent disaster. He taught that masturbation was among the most dangerous acts a human being could commit: physically destructive, spiritually corrupting, a cause of insanity, spinal disease, and early death. He argued that spicy and flavorful foods increased sexual desire and so fed this destruction, and that a bland vegetarian diet was therefore not merely healthy but morally necessary as protection against sexual sin.

This is not a fringe reading of Graham. It is his explicit published argument, laid out systematically in his *Lecture to Young Men on Chastity* (1834). In the decades that followed, reformers from the same circles built a broader Social Purity movement that campaigned to raise the age of consent, suppress contraception, and censor obscenity, and to regulate sexuality generally under the banner of Christian moral hygiene.

Graham's dietary innovations were real. His case against refined flour has largely held up. His sexual ideology was pseudoscientific body control dressed in theological language. You can keep the bread and throw out the paranoia about what happens in private. The tradition requires that separation.

B. John Harvey Kellogg — The Sanitarium Eugenicist

Kellogg is the fullest and most troubling example of the shadow side, precisely because he was also one of the most innovative figures in the American health-reform tradition. He ran one of the most famous therapeutic institutions in the country. He pioneered fiber-based nutrition, and he championed preventive medicine, exercise, vegetarianism, and natural therapies decades before mainstream medicine took them seriously. He was also a man whose sexual and racial ideas did documented harm.

He and his wife, Ella, fostered forty-two children over the years and legally adopted seven of them, among them Black and Mexican-American children: a personal practice at odds with, though not a redemption of, his public racial views. His campaign against masturbation, set out in *Plain Facts for*

Old and Young (1877 and later editions), recommended harsh measures for children, including physical restraint and painful surgical procedures. He believed spicy foods and meat inflamed sexual desire and so led to moral corruption.

And then the eugenics. Kellogg founded the Race Betterment Foundation, hosted national Race Betterment conferences in 1914, 1915, and 1928, and promoted "biologic living" in terms that leaned heavily on racial purity. He served on the Michigan State Board of Health and campaigned for the state's eugenic sterilization laws. The 1929 law under which Michigan sterilized people judged "mentally defective" stayed on the books until 1974.

This is the man at the center of the Adventist institutional health movement: the man whose breakfast cereal you may have eaten this morning, whose real nutritional insights came bundled with body control and racial-purity ideology under a single banner of healthy living.

What do we do with this? We do not throw out the fiber science because Kellogg was a eugenicist. We do not rehabilitate the eugenics because the fiber science was correct. We document both with equal precision, we understand how they were connected (the same drive for bodily purity that motivated the dietary science also motivated the sexual and racial control), and we build the separation into any restored tradition with surgical care. The body belongs to the person in it. The dietary science can be separated from the body-control ideology, but separation requires naming the connection first.

C. The Broader Pattern — Purity, Control, and the Corruption of the Health Ideal

Graham and Kellogg are the sharpest examples, but the pattern is broader. Much of the nineteenth-century Christian health-reform movement operated on a theology of bodily purity that blurred, and sometimes collapsed entirely, the distinction between health and moral conformity, between natural medicine and social discipline, between caring for the body and controlling it on behalf of ideology.

This is not unique to Christianity or to this era. The impulse to use health as a vehicle for social control is perennial and found in every culture. What is specific to this tradition is how it happened: genuine botanical insight and genuine theological care for human beings got entangled with sexual paranoia, racial ideology, class anxiety, and institutional body control in ways that need to be taken apart with precision. Real traditions are never innocent. Real recovery requires a full accounting.

A genuinely restored holistic medicine tradition must stand on these principles: the botanical science stands on its own empirical merits; the body belongs to the person in it; healing is service to individual human dignity, not enforcement of social conformity; knowledge belongs to men and women, rich and poor, and every tradition that has tended it; and the institutional suppression of this tradition is documented and real, whatever pathologies some of its original keepers also carried.

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PART THREE: THE ACTUAL SUPPRESSION

IV. The Flexner Report (1910) — How Capital Killed the Tradition

The decline of institutional American botanical medicine was driven, above all, by money and by accreditation. In the reading of its critics, beginning with E. Richard Brown's *Rockefeller Medicine Men* (1979), the great industrial fortunes of the age, Rockefeller's first among them, used their philanthropic foundations to remake American medical education around a single model of "scientific medicine" that suited the foundations and the industrial order behind them. Many go further and argue that the family that built Standard Oil saw in drug-centered medicine its next great market. The funding record and the new standards are documented. The motive is argued. Either way, the effect on the botanical schools was the same.

In 1910 the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching published *Medical Education in the United States and Canada*, written by Abraham Flexner. Flexner was not a physician or a scientist. He was a schoolmaster and educational reformer who had earned a bachelor's degree in classics from Johns Hopkins in 1886 and had never studied medicine. Working closely with the American Medical Association's Council on Medical Education, he visited all 155 medical schools in the United States and Canada and reported on each.

The report's power lay in its definition of scientific medicine. It measured every school against the Johns Hopkins model of laboratory science, full-time faculty, and hospital teaching, and it dismissed the homeopathic, eclectic, and other "sectarian" schools as unscientific wholesale, whatever their clinical records. That was not an objective finding. It was a paradigm, written into the standards that licensing boards and accreditors then enforced.

Then came the money. Between 1913 and 1929 the Rockefeller-funded General Education Board alone gave about $94 million to twenty-five medical schools to rebuild them on the new model, and other foundations followed. None of those schools taught homeopathic, eclectic, or botanical medicine. The alternative colleges, with no foundation support, could not afford the faculty, laboratories, hospitals, and libraries the new standards required.

The results came quickly. The number of American medical schools, which had peaked at about 160 in the first decade of the century, fell by roughly half by the early 1920s. Homeopathic and eclectic colleges were among the hardest hit, and five of the country's seven Black medical schools closed in the same years. The Eclectic Medical Institute, which had trained physicians since 1845, graduated its final class in 1939 and surrendered its charter in 1942. The tradition that had produced *King's American Dispensatory* and the Lloyd Library was gone from American medical education within a single generation.

Note who lost: men and women, Christian and secular, Black and white, city and country, institutional and populist alike. Note who held the levers: Rockefeller and Carnegie philanthropy and the American Medical Association. And note what drove it: money and institutional power, a whole knowledge tradition reorganized around what the funders and accreditors would support rather than around what heals.

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PART FOUR: THE RESTORATION PROJECT

V. What Survives, Where to Find It, and What Recovery Looks Like

The knowledge was not destroyed. This is the crucial fact. The Flexner reforms and the foundation money erased the institutional infrastructure: the schools, the clinical training programs, the professional associations. But the texts themselves were preserved, archived, and increasingly digitized. The tradition exists in recoverable form right now, open to anyone with an internet connection and the willingness to read.

A. Primary Archives — Accessible Now

THE LLOYD LIBRARY AND MUSEUM — CINCINNATI, OHIO

917 Plum Street, Cincinnati. lloydlibrary.org. Free and open to the public. About 150,000 volumes and 3,000 linear feet of archives, with rare books from 1493 to the present. Holdings include the records of Lloyd Brothers, Pharmacists, the institutional records of the eclectic medical college, the personal collections of John Uri Lloyd and Curtis Gates Lloyd, and the papers of botanists, pharmacognosists, illustrators, and allied organizations, along with alchemy, ethnobotany, midwifery, horticulture, and the history of food science. This is the primary institutional archive of American botanical medicine.

BIODIVERSITY HERITAGE LIBRARY — BIODIVERSITYLIBRARY.ORG

A large collaborative digital library that includes Lloyd Library materials and botanical texts from the fifteenth century forward. Free and searchable, with rare herbals, botanical illustrations, and pharmacological texts hard to find anywhere else online.

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE — DIGITAL COLLECTIONS

Many editions of Thomson's *New Guide to Health* and other Thomsonian works, digitized and searchable, along with nineteenth-century medical journals, eclectic texts, household guides such as Stout's, and pharmacological references.

HENRIETTE'S HERBAL HOMEPAGE AND THE SOUTHWEST SCHOOL OF BOTANICAL MEDICINE

henriettes-herb.com and swsbm.com. Free online archives of eclectic texts, including the 1898 *King's American Dispensatory* and Felter's *Eclectic Materia Medica*. Among the most useful free resources for the restoration project.

B. Core Texts for a Modern Restoration Compendium

A working reading list, organized from the primary historical sources through modern synthesis:

TIER 1: THE PRIMARY ENCYCLOPEDIA TRADITION

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Felter, Harvey W., and John Uri Lloyd, after John King. *King's American Dispensatory.* 18th ed. 1898.

Scudder, John Milton. *Specific Medication and Specific Medicines.* 1870.

Felter, Harvey W. *The Eclectic Materia Medica, Pharmacology and Therapeutics.* 1922.

Beach, Wooster. *The American Practice of Medicine.* 3 vols. 1833.

TIER 2: THE CHRISTIAN HEALTH-REFORM TRADITION, READ CRITICALLY

White, Ellen G. *The Ministry of Healing*. 1905. Adventist health theology; strong on diet and way of life; needs a critical reading on sexual ethics.

Kloss, Jethro. *Back to Eden*. 1939. Household synthesis; Christian orientation; still in print and easy to find.

Graham, Sylvester. *Treatise on Bread and Bread-Making*. 1837. Right about refined flour; his sexual ideology needs an explicit critical reading.

TIER 3: MODERN SCIENTIFIC VALIDATION AND CROSS-REFERENCE

Hoffmann, David. *Medical Herbalism: The Science and Practice of Herbal Medicine*. 2003. Bridges the eclectic tradition and modern pharmacological research.

Blumenthal, Mark, ed. *The Complete German Commission E Monographs*. 1998. The German regulatory body's evidence-based assessments of botanical medicines.

World Health Organization. *WHO Monographs on Selected Medicinal Plants*. 4 vols. 1999–2009. International review of traditional botanical knowledge.

TIER 4: NATIVE AMERICAN AND CROSS-CULTURAL KNOWLEDGE

Moerman, Daniel E. *Native American Ethnobotany*. 1998. Plant uses across 291 Native American groups: the knowledge the eclectic physicians drew on, and should be credited as such.

Vogel, Virgil J. *American Indian Medicine*. 1970. A historical synthesis of Native American botanical knowledge and its influence on American medical practice.

C. What a Genuine Modern Compendium Looks Like

The restoration project is not a nostalgia project and not a grievance project. It is an empirical and theological project with four layers.

EMPIRICAL LAYER

Plant by plant, cross-referencing *King's American Dispensatory* with modern pharmacological research, the WHO monographs, and peer-reviewed ethnobotany. What the eclectic physicians documented. What modern science has confirmed, modified, or refuted. What the active constituents are, how the plant is prepared, what it is used for, and when it should not be used. No mysticism. No folk legend. Documented, cross-referenced, and honest about what is known and what is not.

THEOLOGICAL LAYER

The Creator-endowed relationship between human beings and the natural order. The body as a microcosm of the creation. Healing as service to human dignity rather than enforcement of social conformity. The Constitutional Theology framework: rights and healing both flow from the same source, are prior to any institutional authority, and cannot be monopolized by capital. The shadow side of the tradition named and resolved: body control is not healing, and purity ideology is not health science.

HISTORICAL LAYER

The full arc, documented accurately. What the tradition was, who built it and why, what it got right and what it got badly wrong, how it was suppressed, by whom, and for what motive, and what survives and where to find it. A counter-narrative to the pharmaceutical story that pretends there was no prior tradition worth keeping, and to any romance that invents one that never existed as described.

PRACTICAL LAYER

An accessible household reference organized by condition, by plant, and by body system. What families can actually grow, prepare, and use. What needs professional guidance. How herbs interact with pharmaceutical drugs. What the safety limits are. Honest, practical, usable.

A word of care. The old dispensatories record what nineteenth-century physicians believed and practiced. Some of the plants they used are toxic, some interact with modern drugs, and some of their claims have not held up. Read them as history and as leads for research, not as instructions, and talk with a qualified practitioner before using any herb as medicine.

VI. The Thesis in One Paragraph

> *The real American holistic medicine tradition was built largely by Christian men and women — a Presbyterian minister preaching whole-grain bread, Seventh-day Adventist reformers and physicians, eclectic doctors and pharmacists, farmer-herbalists — who wrote encyclopedias, opened schools, built libraries, and documented botanical pharmacology with real rigor by the standards of their day. It was not a folk secret kept only in kitchens. It was John King, Harvey Felter, and John Uri Lloyd writing a dispensatory that ran to eighteen editions. It was the Lloyd brothers building a library that still stands in Cincinnati, with rare books going back to 1493. It was Ellen White describing visions about diet, and her church opening sanitariums. It was Jethro Kloss writing a household guide that, by its publisher's count, has sold more than five million copies. This tradition had a shadow side — sexual paranoia, body-control ideology, and at its worst eugenics — which must be named and separated from the botanical science with surgical precision. And it was undone not by a villain of myth but by foundation money and accreditation policy within a single generation, between 1910 and 1942. The knowledge survives. The archives are open. The restoration is possible. The work is ours to do.*

This paper is complete in four parts. The plant-by-plant compendium described in Part Four, with its empirical, theological, historical, and practical layers, is planned as a companion volume for the Garden shelf of the NAZA Library.

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About this edition

This public edition carries the pen name and publishes Parts One through Four as a finished paper; the plant-by-plant compendium the June draft promised as Part Five is noted at the end as a planned companion volume. A few passages were tightened, and the account of Kellogg was trimmed slightly while keeping what the record shows.

Figures checked against their sources in November 2026 and corrected: the General Education Board's roughly $94 million to twenty-five medical schools, 1913–1929 (Rockefeller Archive Center), replaces an untraced "$50 million, more than $10 billion today"; medical schools are said to have fallen from about 160 to roughly half by the early 1920s (Starr), not "160 to 66 by 1935"; King's first edition is dated 1854, not 1852; Ellen White's health visions are dated 1863 and 1865, and her manuscripts are given as about 50,000 typewritten pages on many subjects; Stout's guide is *Our Family Physician* (1885); the WHO monographs run 1999–2009; Haller's book is *The People's Doctors* (2000).

Claims stated more carefully: Thomson's "one in six" is given as his own claim; Kellogg campaigned for Michigan's sterilization laws and hosted national, not international, conferences; the motive behind the Flexner reforms is presented as an argument, with E. Richard Brown named. Untraced numbers (900 entries, 286 sources, a 250,000th copy) were removed, and web citations were replaced with Starr, Markel, Gordon and the primary texts.