

face bloodless; pulse small and quick, 120; feet and hands cold and clammy; abdomen hot; a clammy perspiration on the face; a sickening headache, ache over the whole head; heavy ache through the small of the back, aggravated by motion; sore aching through the front of the chest; spasmodic spells of coughing, which aggravated the hæmorrhage, which would come in gushes; a stuffed up feeling in the head (probably from crying); heavy pressure through the lower abdomen, and before one of the gushes would have a considerable gripping in the uterine region; gloomy and despondent, knew that she would bleed to death; thought that she felt the best when she kept perfectly quiet, but could not remain so: flow aggravated by her moving, which would also cause a gush to pass off, and that would make her more gloomy and restless.

Ipecac 10m. in water, one teaspoonful every hour until four doses had been taken; or as soon as the hæmorrhage seemed to get less to throw it away and take a powder of no medicine, prepared in the same way; at the fourth dose the active hæmorrhage ceased and the no medicine was prepared and taken; the next day there was a slight discharge which grew gradually less, and did not entirely cease until the third day, and so far there has been no further trouble in that line.

There are a large number of remedies that have a bright red discharge from the uterus, but so far as I know none of them have the peculiar characteristics of Ipecac. It seems to stand out very prominently in all its characteristics, and can not be easily mistaken for any other remedy; one very peculiar characteristic is that the flow in active hæmorrhage is the peculiar gushing which could be compared to that of a pump when the handle is vigorously worked, the stream does not cease but at every pulsation of the heart there is a peculiar gush which is not credited to any other remedy so far as I am aware; and then the blood does not easily coagulate, but remains fluid for some time, especially when active uterine hæmorrhage takes place.

DISCUSSION.

Dr. Sawyer: I have had several cases similar to these. One only a short time ago. I sent one dose of the cm. of Ipecac, which helped the hæmorrhage almost instantly. The characteristics of Ipecac were of course present.

REPERTORY OF UTERINE HÆMORRHAGE.

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HÆMORRHAGE—

Acrid: Sulph. Sulph. ac.

Active: Acon. Apis. Arn. Bell. Calc. Cham. China,
Cinn. Coff. Croc. Ferr. Ham. Hyos. Ign. Ipec. Phos.
Plat. Sec. Ust.

Anger, from: Cham. Staph.

Black: Cham. China, Croc. Ferr. Kreos. Plat. Puls. Sec.
Sulph.

and coagulated: Cham. China, Croc. Ferr. Lyc.
Puls. Sab.

liquid: Sec.

offensive: Cham. Croc. Kreos. Sec.

stringy: Croc.

• Carcinoma, from: Ars. Ham. Kreos. Hydr. Lach. Phos.
Sil. Sulph.

Coagulated: Apoc. Arn. Bell. Cham. China, Coff. Croc.
Cyc. Ferr. Kreos. Lyc. Nux, Plat. Puls. Rhus.
Sab. Sec. Stram. Trill.

dark: Cham. China, Puls. Ust.

alternating with bloody serum: Plumb.

emitted in paroxysms: Bell. Puls.

large: Apoc. Coff.

black lumps: Coff.

offensive: Kreos.

mixed with bright red blood: Arn. Bell. Sab. Ust.

dark liquid blood: Sec.

Coagulated, mixed with pale, watery blood: China. Sab.

stringy: Croc.

Concussions from a fall or false step: Arn. Cinn. Puls.

Rhus, Ruta, Sulph.

Continuous: Apoc. Ham. Hyos. Ipec. Sec. Ust.

but slow: Ham. Ust.

Debility, from: Alet. Caul. China, Ferr.

Emotions, from violent: Acon. Bell. Bry. Cham. Cocc.

Croc. Hyos. Phos. Plat. Puls. Sep. Stram. Sulph.

Flow suddenly ceases and as suddenly returns: Bell.

Frequent attacks of; she seems to get almost well when
the discharge returns: Kreos. Nux, Sulph.

HÆMORRHAGE—

- Fright, after: Acon. Bell. Nux, Op.
 Gushes, in: Cham. China, Ipec. Puls. Sec. Sab. Ust.
 Hot; blood feels hot as it passes: Arn. Bell. Lac can.
 Intermittent: Apoc. China, Cham. Kreos. Nux, Phos.
 Puls. Sab. Sec. Sulph. Ust.
 Lifting, from over: Cinn.
 Loins, from strain of: Cinn.
 Menopause, at the: Ant. c. Ars. Calc. Carbo v. Croc.
 Ferr. Kali c. Lach. Lyc. Nux, Plumb. Puls. Sab.
 Sec. Sep. Sulph. Trill. Ust.
 when approaching the: Calc. China, Croc. Lach.
 Nux, Sab. Sep.
 Miscarriage, after: Acon. Apis. Arn. Bell. Bry. Cham.
 China, Cinn. Croc. Erig. Ferr. Ham. Hyos. Ipec.
 Kali c. Lyc. Nit. ac. Plat. Sab. Sec. Trill. Ust.
 at the second or third month: Apis. Kali c. Sab. .
 third month: Croc. Sab. Sec. Thuja.
 fifth month: Sep.
 flow bright red: Arn. Cinn. Erig. Ham. Hyos. Ipec.
 Sab.
 and not coagulated: Ham.
 or dark, with coagula: Sab.
 continuous, with nausea and vomiting: Ipec.
 dark: Bry. Cham. Sec.
 fluid with coagula: Sec.
 and stringy: Croc.
 thick, not coagulated: Plat.
 gushes, in: Sab. Sec. Ust.
 paroxysmal: Sab.
 partly black and coagulated; partly thin and
 watery: Ferr.
 from congestion of the uterus: Apis. Canth.
 exposure to dampness: Dulc.
 falls or bruises: Arn.
 false steps or strain in the loins: Cinn. Rhus.
 fright: Acon. Gels. Opi.
 thunder-storm: Cinn. Nat. c. Rhod.
 uterine debility: Caul.
 threatened: Acon. Apis. Arn. Bell, Cham. Cocc.
 Croc. Ipec. Kali c. Kreos. Opi. Phos. Plat. Puls.
 Sab. Sec. Sep. Vib.

HÆMORRHAGE—

Miscarriage, with great exhaustion from loss of blood:
China,

with pains, followed by swooning: Lyc.

in the small of the back: Kali c. Trill.

as if pelvic contents would be forced out
at the vulva: Nit. ac.

Motion, < by: Coff. Croc. Erig. Sab. Sec. Ust.

Offensive: Bell. Cham. Croc. Kreos. Sab. Sec. Ust.

pungent: Kreos.

putrid: Cham.

Painless: Bov. Calc. Croc. Ham. Mag. c. Sec.

Pale: Carbo v. China. Hyos. Merc. Sabs.

with coagula: China, Sab.

pale lips and face: Ferr.

Passive: Alet. Caul. Carbo v. Croc. Ham. Sec. Ust.

Placenta, after delivery of: Bell. Cinn. Ipec. Puls. Sec.

retention of, with: Bell. Canth. Caul. Puls. Sab.

Sec. Sep.

Polypus, from: Bell. Calc. Lyc. Phos. Thuja.

Pregnancy, during: Cocc. Croc. Kali c. Kreos. Phos.

Plat. Rhus, Sab. Sep.

the second month: Apis. Kali c.

third month: Croc. Kali c. Sab.

fifth or seventh month: Sep.

Profuse: Acon. Apis. Arg. nit. Arn. Bell. Bry. Calc.

Caul. Cham. China, Cinn. Croc. Dict. Erig. Ferr.

Helon. Ham. Hyos. Kreos. Ipec. Murex, Nux,

Sab. Sec. Trill.

and protracted: Phos.

continuous: Hyos. Ipec.

dark and offensive: Kreos.

frequently and freely at intervals: Phos.

from a strain in the loins or a false step, threaten-
ing or following a miscarriage: Cinn.

Profuse, in gushes: Sab. Sec. Ust.

sudden: Bell. Cinn.

with nausea and vomiting: Ipec.

pain in the back: Trill.

threatened miscarriage: Cinn.

Quinine, from abuse of: Ferr. Puls.

Strain, from: Arn. Cinn. Rhus.

Stringy: Croc. Ust.

HÆMORRHAGE—

Subinvolution, from: Kali b. Lil. Ust.

Suddenly ceases and suddenly returns: Bell.

Thick: Nux, Plat. Sulph. Trill.

Thin, fluid: Apoc. China, Ferr. Kreos. Lyc. Sab. Sec.

mixed with coagula: China, Ferr. Kreos. Sab. Sec.

foul-smelling coagula: Kreos. Sec.

Uterus, inertia of: Caul. China, Puls. Sab. Sec. Ust.

Viscid: Croc.

Women, in aged: Cham. Hydr. Lach. Merc.

barren: Arg. nit.

cachectic: Sec.

given to reveries: Puls.

mild: Puls.

phlegmatic: Aloe, Calc.

phthisical: Phos.

plethoric: Acon. Bell.

rheumatic: Ant. c. Bry. Caul. Rhus.

sedentary habits of: Nux.

scrawny: Sec.

subject to profuse menses: Calc.

Women, in tall: Phos.

tearful: Puls.

weakly: Ferr.

Worse from motion: Calc. Coff. Croc. Erig. Sab. Sec. Ust.

but often better from walking: Ferr. Sab.

on rising up in bed: Acon.

INFANTILE COLIC; WHY SO DIFFICULT TO CURE.

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I trust that I owe you an apology for the intimation conveyed by the above title and that it will be found in the discussion which my few words are intended to bring forth, that the lack of success is personal to myself, and that you have no greater difficulty in curing infantile colic, than any other affection. I say that I honestly trust such will prove the case, for then I may learn to be as successful. So far, I must confess that infantile colic is to me a very "pons assinorum." I trust I cross alone.

However, I must premise that by the term used I do not mean a slight attack of griping, which is readily eased and cured, by a dose of Chamomilla or Nux vom., but to a something, of the same character, which begins with the first breath the infant draws, or soon after, and continues day and night, particularly the latter, until the infant is through teething, or has cut its eye teeth, anyway, and thus knows better. The chairman of this bureau wrote better than he knew when after my title he added, "By a sufferer," not from the colic, be it understood, but from its effects in the infant, and if any of you envy me the distinction or fancy you can out rank me, he will have to acknowledge to a good many cold winter nights spent in itinerating about the nursery chamber in a garment which seemed to grow thinner and shorter, miraculously fast; seeking peace, but finding none.

So, you can see, that if an intimate knowledge of your patient is always of the utmost assistance in making a cure, I should have found no difficulty in reaching that much desired and infinitely longed-for consummation.

I know of no ailment to which infantile life is subject which will so thoroughly test the hold a physician has upon a family as this. In my own personal experience, I dozens of times felt like discharging myself, and since I "know how it is myself," I am confident that I shall think leniently of the stern parent, who, after many nightly perambulations, suggests to me that he thinks he will give Dr. Bolus a trial, though of course my duty to the truth will lead me to explain that where I fail it is useless to expect Dr. Bolus to succeed, which may convince, until the next time; when, numbed with cold and exhausted with his prolonged "sentry go," he creeps quietly into his bed, fearful that any sound may startle and again start the little but powerful ruler of his domestic empire.

But a still greater factor in coming to a conclusion to make a change are the sufferings of his baby; for, though he might endure unto the end, to his lay mind it appears as if the first end reached would be the end of baby.

I do not think that even a knowledge of the *cause* would invariably lead to a cure; but, were such the case, in this affection—I might write affliction—the causes seem to be as numerous as the sufferers, and as variable as the opinions of