

ported her condition, Oct. 14th, 1872, to be substantially as follows: Very scanty and painful menstruation since these attacks appeared. Formerly free and almost painless. Sensitiveness, with feeling of fulness and pain when going up or down stairs, through the hypogastrium. No appetite; bowels constipated; disturbed sleep. Melancholy, and aversion to seeing any one, with hyperæsthesia of all the organs of special sense. Frequent headache, with pressing pain in the forehead over the eyes, with constant aching and pains extending back into the head, and inability to keep the eyes open in strong light. All these symptoms alleviated by having the room darkened. Prescribed *Bellad.*<sup>30</sup>, fifteen globules, No. 40, in half glass of water, two teaspoonful doses every three hours, except when sleeping, and to keep her room and be quiet as possible, renew the solution daily, and report in five days.

Oct. 19th, Mrs. C. called again, reporting the daughter greatly improved in health and spirits—more appetite; better sleep; less tenderness of the hypogastrium; less sensitiveness of the head and eyes to light and noise. Continued the medicine, four doses a day, at intervals of four hours, for one week, and then report—advice the same as to rest.

Oct. 27th, the father of Miss C. reported so much improvement that he regarded her health better than any time within the past ten months. Her appetite and spirits were excellent, and her mother thought if her next period should be natural, she would have no return of those "dreadful spells." About ten days yet remained. Prescribed *Sulphur*<sup>30</sup> and *Pulsat.*<sup>30</sup> to be taken. *Sulphur*, four globules, No. 40, at 8 A.M. and 3 P.M. for four days, to be followed by *Pulsat.*, same dose, at 8 A.M. and 8 P.M. until the next "period," and to be careful not to take cold. Nov. 7th, Mrs. C. called with the glad news of the natural return of the menses free, with but little pain or nervousness, and no symptoms of hysteria. It but remains to add, that there has been no return of hysteria to this date, March 12th. (M. H. Slosson, M. A., p. 73.)

*Ver. vir. as a Hip-bath in Dysmenorrhœa* (two ounces to the bath). Menses regular as to time, quantity and character, are preceded for three days by most terrible menstrual colic; the pains extend all over the body; head and face bloodshot; pains running into the head from the neck; pulsations in head, neck and carotides; sight disappears at times, and at others everything is moving in confusion before her eyes; tongue feels heavy, but is

clear and looks natural; great thirst; pulse full and bounding. (Eggert, N. A. J. H., v. 22, p. 258.)

**Dysmenorrhœa.** *Xanthox. Confirmations.* Abundant discharge; excruciating pain in loins and lower abdomen. (D. G. Woodvine, N. E. M. G., Jan., 1873, p. 22.)

Discharge at the menstrual period very watery: *Stramon.* (W. M. Williamson, Proc. H. M. S., Penna., 1873.)

**Climacteric Complaints.** Flashes of heat daily in frequent attacks, with nausea and loss of senses; pressure and fulness in the head; vertigo, cannot go alone in the street; swelling and going to sleep of the feet. Has been ordered alkalies and venesection. *Glonoin.*<sup>30</sup>, in globules. Aggravation of the head symptoms. *Glonoin.*<sup>30</sup>, in water, relieved, although there was still some slight aggravation after each dose. (A. Raron, A. H. Z., v. 86, p. 29.)

## Vagina.

**Vaginismus.** Sims's operation and injection of *Calend.*, *Arnic.* and *Baptis.* internally successful. By E. Clark and D. (N. E. M. G., Aug., 1873, p. 355.)

**Pruritus with Dysmenorrhœa.** The hymen was found to almost close the vulvular orifice. Pruritus relieved by an incision, which was followed by profuse flow of dark, offensive blood. (Mary J. Safford, N. E. M. G., May, 1873, p. 222.)

**Pruritus Vulvæ.** With dryness and heat in the parts, intense itching of vulva and vagina, worse at night. *Tarant.*<sup>1</sup> to 2<sup>m</sup>, Fincke, one dose, cured. (S. Swan.)

**Vaginal Polypi.** A woman, æt. 40, had, during the previous four years, a serous vaginal flux, and later she felt a tumor, which grew perceptibly larger; during the day, and while walking, she could feel it protruded from the vulva and pendant. Examination revealed two fibrous tumors, extending with a long attachment from near the sphincter uteri down either side of the walls of the vagina, and of an indolent character. *Thuya*<sup>1</sup>, six drops in a glass of water, a tablespoonful twice, reduced the flux to a scanty discharge of a serous fluid, but it needed *Calc. carb.*<sup>3</sup>, a spoonful daily for fifteen days for the expulsion of the tumors. She now enjoys perfect health. (S. M. Alvarez, N. A. J. H., v. 22, p. 62.)

*Thuya occ.* A woman, after a fall injuring genitals, had a wart-

like growth on right labium, treated as cancer allopathically by sulphate of copper. In nine months the growth had reappeared; painful to the touch, bleeding easily, preventing walking. Examination refused. *Thuya*<sup>20</sup>, a dose once a week, cured in six weeks. (A. Berghaus, Trans. A. I., 1872, p. 339.)

### Mammæ.

**Phytolacca dec. in Mastitis.** C. W. Biggers, of La Grande, Oregon, says in the *American Journal of Medical Sciences*: The following cases are stated as the result of my experience only with the remedy in question, and I trust that others may try it and report the result.

Case First. Mrs. H., on third day after labor with her second child; mammæ commenced swelling after an accumulation of milk. Did not see her until the symptoms were so urgent that there could be no mistake about the commencement of an abscess.

I pursued the antiphlogistic treatment, both general and local, until there was no promise of improvement; on the contrary, the case was continually getting worse. I then prescribed fluid ext. *Phytol. dec.*, gtt. xx., every three hours in water. A very marked improvement took place in twelve hours, and in thirty-six hours the patient was well. There was also a suppression of the lochia, which was also re-established.

Case Second. Mrs. B., whose child died a few hours after its birth, was attacked, after the secretion of milk took place, with inflammation of the mammary glands, from over-distention, and had the milk withdrawn very regularly, yet the case continued worse, threatening an abscess. I prescribed fluid ext. *Phytol. dec.*, gtt. xx., every three hours. Marked improvement in ten hours, and a complete recovery within thirty-six hours. There was also a suppression of the lochia in this case, which was re-established with the cessation of the mammary inflammation.

Case Third. Mrs. G., at the fourth month of pregnancy, was attacked with inflammation of both mammæ, severe pain, swelling, and very great heat, with severe rigors, amounting to a distinct chill. I prescribed fluid ext. *Phytol. dec.*, gtt. xv., every three hours in water. The symptoms all subsided, and the patient fully recovered within forty-eight hours, with no other treatment.

I have used the remedy above named in many other cases of

mammary inflammation, and it has never yet failed in a single case.

**Mammary Abscess.** In cases of mammary, and other forms of abscess, characterized by the usual throbbing and great restlessness; in children, peevishness, *Ars. jod.* is of decided benefit. (Williamson, M. I., v. 10, p. 147.)

Mrs. —, æt. 32, bilious, sanguine temperament, mother of two children. Breast suppurated and was opened twice under allopathic treatment. Had not rested for forty-eight hours, was feverish, right breast hard, swollen and tender. Applied *Apis* oil externally and gave mother tincture internally, giving every third dose, *Acon.* In twenty-four hours all hardness, soreness and pain had disappeared. (P. S. Duff, O. M. and S. R., v. 7, No. 4.)

Hard and painful lumps in the mammæ reduced by *Conium*<sup>1m</sup>. (N. A. J. H., v. 21, p. 553.)

Mrs. T., æt. 40, small painless tumor in the breast near the nipple. *Conium*<sup>3</sup>. Cured. (J. H. Nankivell, H. W., v. 8, p. 79.)

**Cracked Nipples.** Bathe the breast with lukewarm water, then sponge it with tannin, one grmm.; glycerine, ten grmms. (Quoted by R. J. McClatchey, H. M., Sept., 1873, p. 89.)

### Obstetrics.

**Vomiting during Pregnancy.** (S. Lilienthal, N. Y. J. H., Aug., 1874, p. 273.)

**Vomiting of Pregnancy.** Mrs. M. has three young children; second month of gestation; constant nausea, rejects everything; so weak as hardly able to sit up; very nervous; pulse quick and feeble; spasmodic uterine pain; had at one time tenesmus with dysenteric stools. *R. Cupr. ars.*, every two hours. Rapidly cured. (J. H. Marsden, H. M., Jan., 1873, p. 262.)

*Cupr. ars.* cured spasmodic uterine pains during pregnancy, with general debility. (J. H. Marsden, H. M., Jan., 1873, p. 264.) p. 264.)

**Pruritus during Pregnancy.** A woman was tormented with pruritus of the whole cutaneous surface, without eruption, during two pregnancies. Nervous spasms were induced by the itching; various treatments were unsuccessful; at length pyrosis and dental neuralgia were added, and smoking of tobacco was resorted to with complete and speedy success on both occasions. One cigar was