

CASE REPORTS.....

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REPERTORISATION

To many who have not been thoroughly trained in Repertory study the practical value of such work remains uncomprehended. The physician must study it until he learns how to use it so that he can find what he wants when he needs it.

Following is a case report culled out from records :

Mrs. L. On her lower limbs due to itching small boils, got inflamed causing itching and pain. With this she felt recurring heat all over the body with sweating. She has vertigo, weakness, dryness of mouth, thirstlessness. Scanty urine worse morning. She said : "There is severe burning on itching. I am unable to bear with this. Repertorisation chart is as under which was done with the help of Boger's Synoptic key and Phatak's Concise Repertory.



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Morning, Agg (BSK) }
+ } Bry Rhust Sul
Urine, scanty (PCR) }
Itching, burning (PCR) : Bry Rhust Sul
Cold, Amel, he feels too hot (BSK) : Bry Sul

con, Kal n Nat a, Nit a Pho, Sep

Sul 1M 2 doses and Solidago 3 morning and night as drainage. The patient has relief

As an academical exercise the case as it is given to our student for an analysis. The student's report, we felt, have some food for thought.

The case is considered a fresh as a whole evaluating and grading the symptoms. Our repertorisation is as follows :

MENTAL *

Sensitive **

: BEL SUL

ARG N BOR CHIN A CHIN S CHIN
COFF GELS IGN LYC LYSS NAT M
NIT A NUX V PHOS PLB PULS
RAN B SIL THER VALER

*since in all other so-called corporeal diseases the condition of the disposition and mind is always altered,(Organon Section 210)..... but he has much less to enquire into; they are for the most part spontaneously detailed to him,.... (Organon Section 99)

** Only highest rank remedies were considered for the purpose of elimination.

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PHYSICAL

Generalities Heat, flushes of,
perspiration, with : bel Sul
weakness : bel SUL

Particular

Extremities, Itching,
burning on scratching : SUL

Sulphur was studied in Hering's Guiding Symptoms of our Materia Medica revealed the following:

Sensitive disposition, vertigo, great dryness of mouth, scanty urine, on legs below knees eruptions of minute almost confluent vesicles, so many similar symptoms in tissues, on skin after violent scratching aching; burning after scratching, etc.

Though there is nothing in the Materia Medica regarding thirstlessness, Repertory shows Sulphur for this rubric in the lowest grade.

As such our selection also is for Sulphur.

Some point of interest to be considered now are :

(i) Though Bogers Synoptic Key has a rubric for scanty urination, why it was not pressed into service in the former repertorisation?

(ii) Why in the former case Bry got competingly equal mark with Sul? and in the later Bry does not come into the picture at all?

For the first question we are not able to make an answer.

For the second one a comparison of both the repertorisation gives the clue, i.e. the former is a wrongly repertorised one. A common physical modality has been taken as eliminative symptom here. Patient is dry (mouth), she is thirstless (is it monsoon season?) and for about 8 to 9 hours during sleep there is no possibility of intake of water. Then naturally in the morning urine is supposed to be scanty.

If the former repertorisation had been true both Bry and Sul should primafacie be the similar remedy to the case. Only finer individualisation should bring Sul to the victory stand. As such Bry was also referred in the Materia Medica. There is no help forthcoming.

In the former repertorisation grading of symptoms is not done. Hence mind symptom, most important in repertorisation, escaped consideration. Then, there arise a question that how Sul got indicated through repertorisation? Definitely it is because the patient is lucky.

On Sul the patient was supposed to improve steadily. But there is another prescription of Solidago 3 which in the lowest potency hampers the action of similimum. The report 'there is relief' confirms it.

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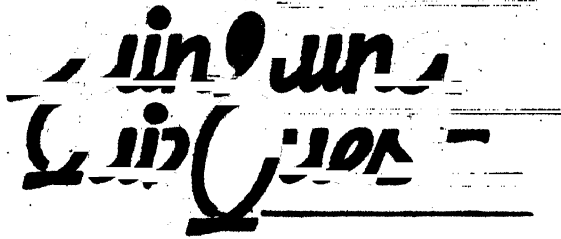
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1. Always in hurry, and anxious to arrive in the appointed time and walks faster and this cause fatigue. Fear to die, impulse to jump through window or walking through bridge. Diarrhoea sets in, on preparing to go out. Irrational and does strange things and comes to strange conclusions, does foolish things.
2. Awake until midnight with active memory. Mind full of ideas that makes the patient awake and thinks of a thousand things, is quick to act and to think. Very sensitive to slightest noise that aggravates all kinds of pains, toothache, headache and especially pain of extremities.
3. Unconsciousness on rising from sleep in the morning. Awakes from sleep with a dull congestive headache with a stupid feeling in the head, dullness of mind that he cannot work. Nostalgia. Amelioration of symptoms from cold application and perspiration, lying on affected side and rest.
4. Ulceration of cornea spreading from right to left. Shooting, smarting, cutting, burning pain in eyes, when reading. Unable to watch moving objects which results in headache and even mental disturbances. Objects look red, rainbow colored, striped double vision with weakness of sight. Photophobia without inflammation of eye.
5. Syphilitic ozena with greenish black discharge from the nose. The patient blows out great crust and pieces of bones, the bones of nose being very sensitive and necrosed causing flattening of the nose. Pain in root of nose with redness in the tip. All the symptoms of the patient is ameliorated in open air except coryza.
6. Excoriated lips due to acrid saliva oozing from the mouth. Tongue excoriated, red, sore and wet with center furrow. Caries of teeth with yellow discoloration and bleeding gums. Ulcers of mouth with splinter like pain. Ulcers of muco-cutaneous junction.
7. Painful lumpy sensation in throat with deep ulcers. Pain in throat between swallowing. Choking when swallowing. Purplish throat with pain aggravated by hot drinks. Sensitive to pressure around neck.
8. Potatoes disagree and causes indigestion. Ulceration and catarrh of stomach, simplest food disagrees and causes sour and bitter eructations, stomach distended with gas. Even soft stool is passed with difficulty. Fissure in anus.
9. Numbness, soreness and pain in lumbar region, region of kidney and loins. Sensitiveness in the region of kidney that he cannot even afford a slight motion, pain extending to thigh and loins. Urine dark, turbid with copious sediment. Sensation as if some urine remains in bladder after urination.
10. Inflammation of testis worse at night which is aggravated by warmth of bed and also aggravated by walking. Swelling of scrotum and spermatic cord with much pain. All glands of right side is affected. Testis hang or retracted.
11. Respiration is very difficult or even arrested in fresh air. Aggravation when sitting up, amelioration by lying down and keeping the arms spread wide apart. Pain in chest, cough returns every winter from suppressed eruption.
12. Pain in the chest especially left side extending to scapula. Cough with tickling in pit of stomach and involuntary urination while coughing. Cough with headache and pain in spine, must lie on something hard.
13. Pain of the lumbar region aggravated by taking cold or getting wet. Pain in small of back, stiff neck. The patient goes on well in summer and autumn brings all complaints. Rheumatism gets worse on the onset of cold season.
14. Cracking of knees on descending stairs or walking Paralysis of single parts. Contracted tendons, ankles are weak, better by warmth, heat of bed. Legs restless at night. Aggravation of all symptoms in fine weather and better in damp wet weather.
15. Herpetic eruption appearing every spring with brown color, also corrosive. Eruption on genitals, lips, mouth, ringworm on face and body. Vesicular eruption in axilla, elbow with thick crust in joints. Offensive odour. Herpes circinatus.

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