

noble and eternal tree of life and truth, it has to be made strong by opposition by contact with strong and warlike elements."

Friends, before I close I thank you for the patient hearing you have given me. If I have failed to prove myself worthy of your expectations, the fault is not of mine. The responsibility of choosing me for this office is certainly yours. Let us pray to God, and invoke the blessing of our immortal master Hahnemann that we may have wisdom, strength and courage to fight against the various odds that may beset our path to progress and may even threaten our very existence.

CONDURANGO

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Condurango is a rarely used drug and is derived from vegetable kingdom. Proving and clinical indications of this drug is not so elaborate.

It can be taken as one of the principal drugs for the treatment of sub-acute, chronic and malignant diseases, specially new growths. Epithelial tissues are mainly affected by it. It is an antipsoric and also antisyphilitic drug.

Here I will mention some indications where I have formed the efficacy of this drug. I have successfully used this drug in (1) Ulcers and cracks of lip, (2) Tongue, (3) Rectal orifice, (4) New growth of tongue, (5) Scabies, which is resistive to ordinary treatments.

The characteristic indications of ulcers are (1) Healing condition of the ulcer stops ; (a) healthy granulation tissues disappear, (b) surface and edge of the ulcer becomes white, (c) watery white discharge is found, (d) ulcer is almost painless, (e) sights of this type of ulcers are in lips, corners of lips and rectal orifice.

In ulcers of tongue, edges and centre becomes cracked and whole tongue becomes swollen. Salivation and foul smell is emitted. Lips become swollen and cracked in many places: generally lower lip is much affected with cracks in corner which is generally white. Inflamed sub-maxillary and sub-lingual glands are common feature. Sometimes even cervical glands are swollen, enlarged and hard, this types are also found in mercury group of drugs, but when I failed in this type by treating with mercury group, and only palliation was obtained, out of curiosity I used it.

Regarding new growths, white patches are found in the edge or sides of tongue. Patches are generally raised and epithelial tissues are bigger in size (microscopically) and white colour. Sensitivity of the patches are increased. Neighbouring glands may not be enlarged in early cases. In such cases I have used *condurango* θ mixed with glycerine one in ten proportion to paint the affected part; two to four times daily and sixth potency internally T.D.S., till the patches change their shape, size and colour. In early stage when paint is applied on the affected part little irritation is felt; but as improvement starts irritation gradually lessens and ultimately stops when the affected part is healed up.

In scabies; it gives wonderful result. Now a days general public treat this malady with ointments and lotions but recurrence is very common or suffering prolongs sometimes it also takes such a virulent form, that affected part becomes inflamed, neighbouring glands become enlarged, fever and so many other complications co-exist. Anorexia and general emaciation, unhealthy condition of skin with bad smell of body is found. Generally the angles of fingers are much affected, and itching of body is prominent feature. Pastules are filled with pus, sticky and offensive. Here *condurango* gives magic relief within 72 hours. Every trouble becomes less. Orally 6th potency is used T.D.S. and affected

parts are washed with soft soap and warm water. Plain olive oil is used to keep the parts soft and smooth.

Such types of cases are very common and are almost daily found, so a fair trial of this drug is wanted.

In advanced stage of carcinoma of maxillary bone, with secondary infiltration to tongue, lips and other parts I used it; Progress was stopped till it was used, but due to certain circumstances the treatment was changed to Bombay Specialists and final result was not available and the patient died under their treatment. Any how I have a very high opinion regarding the action of this drug, so I hope my fellow practitioners will do the same.

Certain clue points for the use of this drug in carcinoma was found from Dr. Smalpage's "Cancer: its cause, prevention and cure."

RELIEF OF PAIN

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Pain is one of the most frequent symptoms that the physician is requested to remove. The majority of patients that we see complain of pain or discomfort in some form or another. It is often the main reason for their seeking the advice of a physician, because pain is unpleasant and they wish to be relieved as quickly as possible. In fact a physician's capabilities are often judged by the speed with which he can remove pain, regardless of the fact that the patient's pathological condition may not have improved. Therefore, it is vital for the success of every physician to be able to relieve pain.

Before we attempt to relieve pain we must understand its nature and purpose in order to treat it correctly. Pain arises from stimulation of the sensory nerve endings in the tissue concerned, from trauma, toxic irritation or other ab-