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As the last two doses of Causticum 10M and 50M showed much improvement in his general health, constipation, Pigeon chest, movement of legs, sleep, horny warts on body, we went on pursuing with Causticum 50M and CM at intervals of 3 to 4 weeks until the end of 1957, when the polio and all other troubles disappeared. He can now walk well without any support whatsoever. But his legs are still weak and the knees go in like a bow when standing. Some mild massage with olive oil regularly given on the legs and thighs lately twice daily for 6 months seems to have accelerated the progress. There were, of course, many disturbances during the course of the treatment, because of intermittent acute seasonal ailments, when we had to disturb the course of Causticum with intermittent doses of other medicines such as Colocynth, Dulcamara, Hepar Sulph, Bryonia, Belladonna, Gelsemium etc. We had given some intermittent doses of Lathyrus and Anhalonium also but we think Causticum and Lathyrus are to be credited for the cure of the Polio. He is still under our treatment and we wish to continue occasional dose of Causticum and Lathyrus, in high potencies at long intervals until his legs become strong enough.

A CASE REPORT

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BAD EFFECT OF DIRECT HEAT OF THE SUN

Every Hindu family worships here the tree of Amla in the month of October (Kartik) every year and take the prepared food near the Amla Tree. I, accompanied with my family, went to Kalka Devijee's temple at 12 P.M. on 1-11.57. It is only about three furlongs from my home. After the usual pujah ceremony, my wife entertained us with the food and we relished

it much. My daughter, Renu, 2½ years, also accompanied us. She went there on foot and came back at 2 P.M. on foot. She had no covering over her head, but she had been putting on shoes. The sun was very hot and its rays were also doubly hot. No sooner she came home, she became unwell and the temp. showed 102° at 3.30 P.M. Suspecting it to be the case of direct heat of the sun, I gave Bry. 6x 2 gls. in 2 oz. pure aqua every two hourly for two doses. Temp. at 8 P.M. 101.9° with profuse perspiration over the entire body. At this stage, the child began to talk uninterruptedly and had been singing verses and saying "Ram, Ram, Harey, Harey." now and then. As she had a history of worms, I gave Cina 200, one single dose of one gl. at 9 P.M. Finding no change or any abatement of the fever upto 1.30 A.M., my mind became very anxious and I began to search for the peculiar symptom of singing rhymes and verses with talkativeness at the height of fever. There were no gastric symptom present; she had sneezing and a slight, bland nasal discharge. Having no books to consult at night, some of the medicines began to hover in my worried mind e.g. Ant. Cr. Podo., Lach., Stram. Every one has loquaciousness, in some form or other, but dependent upon different causes. But I based my prescription on "loquaciousness, at the height of the fever, agg. of trouble from the effect of the heat of the sun, agg. after sleep", which I observed. I decided to give Lach 30. Hence, I prepared a sol. in two oz. of pure aqua with two tiny gls. of Lach 30, and gave one half of the solution at 2 A.M. the same night. The child slept after the dose. The next morning the temp. came down to 98.1°. The child started moving and playing as if she had not been sick with fever, the preceding night. I advised her light diet, e.g. moong ki dal, milk, biscuits and sago. The child remained well after that, and the temperature remained normal.

The morning temp. on 3-11-57 had been 96.4° at 7 A.M. Diet as usual; child quite o.k.

This case clearly indicates the wonderful action of Lachesis in calming the virulent effect of the heat of the sun that had attacked the brain and in reducing the high fever in an incredibly short time. Lachesis is indicated in capital type, in

Boger's Synoptic Key, for the bad effects of the heat of the sun. I have verified it on numerous occasions and it is my first shot in the hot season, and also to remove the effect of the direct heat of the sun or of heat stroke, provided, of course, other symptoms complete the picture.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

The following note under the heading "Official Publications" appears in the January 1959 issue of the "Practitioner" of Great Britain, which is one of the world's most leading journals of the allopathic school of medicine. I have to request you to publish it in the "Hahnemannian Gleanings" for the benefit of your readers, with such comments** as you deem best :—

"Official Publications."

*Report of the Ministry of Health for the year 1957,
Part II. On the State of the Public Health.*

One of the sombre features of this report of the Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health is the increased incidence of fatal complications of vaccination against smallpox; three fatal cases of generalized vaccinia, and six cases of encephalitis following vaccination, two of which proved fatal. Two of the fatalities from generalized vaccinia occurred in children with agammaglobulinæmia, and the third in a child with eczema. One of the fatal cases of encephalitis occurred in a man, aged 49 years, who was revaccinated after a primary vaccination done in infancy.

The other sombre feature of the report is the further steep

** No comments are necessary—Ed.