

ONE OF MY CASES

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On November 14th 1957, a foreign Lady, Married, aged thirty-two came to see me and said that:—

In 1948 operated upon for profuse menstruation.

In 1954 operated upon for fibroids.

She suffered pains in the abdomen which were tearing, worse when going to stool. She suffered a burning pain which commenced a week before her menses, and continued during the menses. The pains in the abdomen were aggravated by apples, pickles, pork and onions.

Her nose bled two or three times a week. Very sensitive scalp, and painful to touch. Skull becomes numb and the vertex hot. Nails brittle, split and scale which commenced about a year ago. Had an attack of blindness of the left eye a year ago, which felt like a fine gauze stretched over the left eye.

Skin dry and burns. Back feels cold only on lying down, which she had for some time, but this disappeared about two months ago. She lost all feeling in her left thumb for a while.

When 13½ years old had Typhus in Russia. When 16 years old Malaria in Palestine. As to herself:—

Likes the autumn, worse heat, sun makes her sick, worse sudden changes, draughts especially on the head, worse extremes of weather, likes winds even if cold, likes storms. Better lying down with feet raised. Usually energetic.

Vaccinated three times, and many inoculations.

Dislikes sweets; must taste salt in her food; aversion to fat, greasy foods. Loves soup, pickles; likes highly seasoned food. Loathes pickled herrings and rabbit.

Does not like or eat breakfast. Appetite normal, not very thirsty. Vertigo looking down from a height, especially when looking down at the sea.

Years ago thinks she had scabies, which she said itched a lot. Likes clothes to fit well.

Dreams of falling.

She is cheerful; music and cruelty cause tears. Impatient, irritable, would let fly if offended. Obstinate; sensitive to beauty, misery, Autumn. Often forgets a letter when writing.

As she has:—

Vertex hot; nails brittle, skin dry and burns; sensation of cold back; worse heat, sun, sudden changes; draughts; better lying down; aversion sweets, fats, does not like breakfast, vertigo looking at sea (moving objects), heights, dreams of falling, impatient, irritable, obstinate, sensitive.

November 15th 1957. Sent Sulphur M. one dose and sac lac.

December 12th 1957. She came to see me and said:—

No pain in abdomen; not so much pain at toilet. Now after putting her hands in water they don't burn as before, but when dried feel as if they will crack. Now says for two weeks no cold back, whereas before she always had a cold back in bed. No burning pain at menses. Heat of vertex better, but scalp still sore to touch. Left thumb is now O.K. Nails still brittle and break. Numbness of scalp gone. For the first five days after the medicine (Sulphur) she shook like a jelly, which gradually disappeared. Has not dreamt of falling. As far as her menses were concerned she said that, on the first day it flowed the whole day, but on the following days mornings and evenings mostly. They were red at first, then darker, lumpy and clotted, but tended to be offensive towards the end. She felt very nervous during the menses.

December 12th 1957. As she had been vaccinated three times, the first took, but the second and third did not, plus numerous inoculations.

Sent Thuja 30. Two doses a week for a month.

January 16th 1958. She called and stated:—

Has had no menses. Spells of blackout. Forgets things. Numbness left leg. Constipated. Abdomen bloated. Pain in bowels. BUT... The pain at the bottom of the spine had gone. She was not so sensitive to cold air on her head. Skin not so dry. Nails better, not so brittle. Great improvement in the skin. Can now eat apples and pickles in comfort.

She went on to say that she now gets—

Flushes of heat, weakness, ptosis everywhere. Very indifferent

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There exists the possibility, however remote, that as aggressive and inquisitive minds continue to experiment in the realm of drug pathogenesis, there may be at long last a re-discovery of the homœomethodology in ways quite unanticipated and unforeseen. If a new science at present going under the term Cybernetics comes of age and is more generally utilized, this possibility becomes even more acute. Defined, the science of Cybernetics means the communication of knowledge between scientific groups of alien interests. The most recent publications of the transactions of such a society were published in March of 1951, by the Josiah Macy, Jr., Foundation and were edited by H. von Froester. This subject is so important that it will form the basis of a subsequent article by this essayist.

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to everything. Has a sinking sensation, as if everything was dropping out when she uses the toilet. If she scratches herself, the spot she scratches feels very cold. Hungry not relieved by eating.

January 16th 1958. Sent Sepia 200, one dose and sac lac.

February 13th 1958. Wrote and said "I feel on top of the world since the last medicine but in the last day or so there has been a slight return of my symptoms.

February 14th 1958. Sent Sepia 200, one dose (second) and sac lac, and asked her to report in three weeks.

As this is the end of February 1959, and I have heard nothing further from this lady, I take it all is well.

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