

the power of prescribing for myself, I would rather be in the hands of a homœopathic than an allopathic adviser." It may be observed in passing that freedom of choice in medical matters is as essential as freedom of choice in any form of religious worship. Long live the name of Hahnemann, the founder of the homœopathic doctrine.

"Thou best Philosopher, who yet dost keep
Thy heritage, thou eye among the blind,
That, deaf and silent, read'st the eternal deep,
Haunted for ever by the eternal mind—"

MIRACLES OF PULSATILLA

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Case 1: AMENORRHOEA

In the end of 1941 a married girl, aged 20 yrs., came to my house with her mother for consultation.

History of the case: As usual, when the regular monthly period stopped, she and her guardians thought that she was pregnant. But there was no morning sickness. As months advanced, her abdomen began to grow bigger and bigger in size. Her relations were glad over her pregnancy. Since she had no experience of pregnancy, she was not aware of quickening of the child or foetal movements during the late months. According to their calculations 10 months passed. At that time there was a considerable enlargement of her abdomen, breasts also enlarged comparatively. They questioned her if there was any child movement in the abdomen but she answered in negative.

Then they brought her to me for consultation. The first thing I was able to note was her weeping mentality when narrating symptoms. She was very affectionate, mild, gentle, timid and of yielding disposition. There was no thirst at all. She wanted all things cold, cold food and drink. Desired cold-bath and fresh cool open air.

I examined her well and palpated her abdomen carefully and told them that she was not pregnant. It was only a case of suppressed menses.

For expert opinion in that case I sent her to the Local Fund Dispensary of the locality for a detailed examination. The doctor-in-charge was an M.B., B.S. He gave a prescription of Thyroid Tablets 100% to be taken thrice daily, each time a dose of one tablet. He also told them that she was not pregnant.

Then with that diagnosis and prescription in hand they came to me saying that they wanted my medicine.

I gave her Pulsatilla 200 one dose, to be taken at 6 A.M., in empty stomach, and Sac Lac for 21 days TDS. After 21 days, they came to me saying that there was no particular change except her eating well. Then again I gave one dose of Pulsatilla 200 to be taken immediately and Placebo for another fortnight. On the 12th day of the 2nd course, her mother came to me saying that on that morning her daughter got her menses. The discharge was normal. The size of the abdomen was slightly reduced. I gave Sac Lac for 10 days more. After a week she came with her mother reporting that the discharge was for 7 days and it was normal. I examined her abdomen, and there was absolutely no enlargement, no pains and another complaints. They were very glad. After two years more she really conceived, and at term delivered a healthy child.

Case 2 :

In 1943 I was required by an excise sub-inspector of my place to examine his unmarried daughter aged 21 years. Her symptoms were :—

At her 13th year she matured. After that she had three regular periods. Then for 7 years there was no menses. But there were no perceptible troubles except her constitution being weak. She was fair, lean and pale in appearance. Very mild in character, gentle, and of yielding disposition. She wanted all things cold, wanted cool open air. Never liked hot or even warm things.

She was treated by famous Ayurvedic physicians without any result. Eminent Allopathic doctors also tried with their best patents and mixtures, with the same result. For seven years she was under their expert treatment, with no menses. At last advised her to undergo a surgical operation. But she was afraid of operations. They lastly consulted an eminent doctor, a lecturer of gynaecology, Madras Medical College, who gave them an elaborate prescription of German injections which were not available in those war days. This eminent doctor told them she was having an under developed uterus and it would take a long time to cure her.

I told them, certainly, it was not an under developed uterus since she matured and had three normal menses. That was only a case of suppressed menses. Then they told me that when she was bathing in the tank, a snake crawled inside her gown and thereby she was very much frightened, and from that month onwards the menses stopped. After 6 months, she had a very bad type of rheumatism and it was treated and cured by Aurvedic system of medicine.

I gave her Pulsatilla 200 one dose to be taken at 6 A.M. in empty stomach, and placebo for 24 days T.D.S. Then again on the 24th day I gave one dose more and placebo for 12 days. On the 37th day from the beginning, her father came to me saying that his daughter was in her monthly period and there was no trouble. All of them were very glad for this system of treatment and it was quiet new to them. A dose of Pulsatilla 200 was repeated on the next month, some 7 days before the period. Then that period was also quiet regular to normal. After 2 years she was married and now she is mother of two children. No menstrual trouble since then.

Case 3: Epididymitis

A few years back i.e. on November 1951 a District Supply Officer (D.S.O.) aged 44 of South Malabar, came to our place and occupied the Traveller's Bungalow near my

clinic. He reached there at 6 P.M., travelling in a car. At once he sent for me. He was actually crying out with pain in the scrotum. I examined him and found some slight swelling in the spermatic cord. With pain he was actually shouting out. He travelled nearly 80 miles in a jeep on that day. He wanted always fresh air and cold food and drinks ; but cold drinks would aggravate his abdominal and scrotal pains. He was very much restless.

I gave him Pulsatilla 1M. one dose at once. After an hour he slept well during the night. Thereafter, that pain never returned.

HAHNEMANN BI-CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

MEERUT

The 200th Birthday of Mahamana Dr. Samuel Hahnemann was celebrated by the Homœopathic Medical Association, Distt., Meerut with great eclat and decorum at 4 p.m., on 10th April 1955, under the presidentship of Dr. J. M. Chaudhri, Member Homœopathic Medicine Board of Uttar Pradesh and President of the Association, at his Bunglôw, Chippi Tank, Meerut.

Drs. P. P. Pandey, Dr. Shankar Lal Singal, Dr. Amar Singh Sharma, Dr. Om Prakash Agrawal Hapur, Dr. Govind Ram Sharma, Dr. R. Parik and Dr. I D. Vyas spoke on the occasion. Dr. Bir Pal Singh, General Secretary of the Association, narrating briefly the life and teachings of Dr. Hahnemann said : "This auspicious day reminds us of our duties towards the suffering humanity which is looking towards us with great hopes and expectations. For this great cause, forgetting our differences, we should unite and labour hard for the advancement of Homœopathy in the interest of suffering Humanity."

Dr. J. M. Chaudhri, in his presidential speech stressed