

The patient received sodium salicylate, fifteen grains five times daily, which produced gastric oppression, tinnitus, and later vomiting. April 26th, she was given eight grains of aspirin and fifteen grains of bicarbonate of soda, three times daily. They produced no gastric disturbance of any account, although the patient complained of eructations of unpleasant gases. The bicarbonate of soda was therefore omitted and aspirin alone administered. Under its use the patient improved remarkably, the appetite returned, and on May 2nd the pains in the joints had completely disappeared. The swellings as far as they were not due to chronic articular changes subsided, and the others were improved by massage to such an extent that the patient was able to walk about with the aid of a cane, and on May 31st left the hospital.

Case 2. M. W., 22 years old, was admitted to the clinic with a complicated lesion of the heart, and owing to pains in the knee and ankle was unable to walk about. Aspirin, forty-five grains daily, caused complete disappearance of the pains in three days.

Case 3. M. M., 19 years old, had suffered since her 17th year from recurrent articular rheumatism. She complained of pains in the hips and swelling of the ankles. Aspirin, sixty grains daily, relieved the pains after four days, although movement of the hips still gave rise to some discomfort.

Case 4. M. B., 26 years old, had suffered since eight days with pains in the left wrist and shoulder joints, left knee and hip joints, and both ankles. The joints were reddened and swollen. Aspirin, ninety grains daily was administered, and at the end of four days she was completely free from pains, while the joints were readily movable, both actively and passively, and no longer showed any swelling.

Case 5. M. B., 19 years old, was attacked towards the end of September with swelling of the ankles and spasms in the facial muscles, especially the eyelids. Soon afterwards the upper and lower extremities were also affected with muscular spasm, showing the peculiar character of chorea. When admitted to the clinic, November 6th, the patient had chronic twitchings of the face and extremities, in the latter especially on walking. After the administration of aspirin, seventy-five grains daily, the condition improved to such an extent that the patient was able to leave the hospital at the end of eight days without any marked signs of disease, the twitchings having almost completely disappeared.

Case 6. S. A., 41 years old, was attacked two years ago with acute rheumatism. In April, 1899, the pains recurred in the knees and ankles, and she complained of pains in the neck. August 16th, 1899, the left knee joint was markedly swollen,