

So far as I have been able to make out from the use of sulphonah, there is no danger whatever in the acquirement of a habit. On the contrary, all to whom it was administered for any length of time were only too glad to give up its use, and felt no desire whatever to continue it after the cause for which it was employed had passed away.

This negative action on the higher centres I believe to be one of the most important advantages possessed by sulphonah over the more commonly employed members of this group of agents.

When sulphonah is given in doses of about 40 grains and upwards, there is occasionally a peculiar effect on the locomotion. It induces ataxia and giddiness. In the cases reported there is an account of these symptoms being present in three instances :

1. A woman received at 8 p.m. 30 grains of sulphonah. An hour afterwards she complained of nausea, but quickly fell into a deep slumber, which lasted ten hours. The following day she complained of giddiness and was so ataxic that she was unable to walk without support.

In another case, female, 20 gr. of sulphonah were administered in the evening. Was restless up to 1.20 o'clock, when she had a troubled sleep lasting two hours. On awakening she complained of nausea and dizziness, had sensations as if her bed was tumbling over her. She had to hold the sides of the bed to prevent her from falling out. When she closed her eyes, she had sensations of objects passing before them. These symptoms continued in a lesser degree during the two following days.

The night following the complete disappearance of these symptoms, another dose of gr. xx was administered with the effect of a good sleep and no untoward symptoms whatever.

The third case, also a female, received 20 gr. of sulphonah at 8 p.m. In three hours she awoke with a feeling as if her head would burst, complained of great nausea, dizziness, and felt as if she was falling through the bed. These symptoms continued for eighteen hours, and were followed by a deep dreamless sleep. A subsequent dose produced a deep sleep and no untoward effects.