

ject. Some years since while attending a bad case of this disease, I discovered every evening a return of periodical pains, sometimes most severe in the limb and then again it was in the loins, then the thigh, and so on. From this I was led to suppose that the true nature of the disease was not understood, it putting on the true character of neuralgia. I, therefore, gave her a compound of equal parts saturated tinc. of macrotys, (black cohosh,) and wine of colchici, *sem.*, to take sixty drops every hour until the pain ceased, and then continued once in four or six hours, and at bed time a gentle laxative of rhubarb and soda. When I called the second day I found the drops had relieved the pain and the laxative had moved the bowels; and this treatment continued with bandaging the limbs for ten days, with gentle tonics, performed the cure.

Case 2d. Mrs. A., aged about 30, of a nervous and lymphatic temperament, enjoyed generally good health, was safely delivered of a son June 6th, 1838; continued comfortable until the third week after confinement. Being then called, I found the symptoms, pain in the right inguinal region, with enlargement of labia and the thigh, the latter appearing of a shining white, with more or less pain shooting down to the foot, with nausea at the stomach and costive bowels, with occasional chills. Pulse 120 per minute, countenance somewhat anxious. I ordered a cathartic of anti bilious pills to be followed in four hours, if no evacuation, with castor oil and turpentine. After the movement of the bowels to give diaph. pul. every three or four hours. The next morning found the cathartic had done well; still the feet were enormously swollen, tender and painful, and of a peculiar shining, pearly white; the pain shooting up into the sacrum, the general fever less, pulse about 100 per minute, face pale, and to appearance bloated. I ordered her the marotys and colchicum tinct. once every two hours for six hours, unless relieved before; and if not then, 1-4 of gr. of morphine. After relief to give the drops, 60 every four hours, with gentle laxative of syrup of rhubarb.

On the next morning I found her free from pain, and the limbs looking better; continued the same treatment, with bandaging. In 14 days the patient was well.

Case 3d. Mrs. S., aged 36, of nervous bilious temperament. I was called August 3, 1842, four weeks and two days after confinement, (which was perfectly natural,) and found the right thigh and corresponding labia much swollen; the limb presented a shining white appearance, accom-