

legs and yet no curvature visible, and no loss of sensation perceptible in either extremity.

Often in these organic diseases which ultimately cripple, such as insular sclerosis and that more fatal disease subacute combined (which by the way seems fairly common in this country) you will find a markedly hypersensitive, even hysterical mental condition associated with spinal symptoms.

Dr. Taylor describes a case of tabes with gastric crises, and in doing so emphasizes the facts that ataxia may not be a cardinal sign in this type, and also that they frequently live for many years. These cases are mistaken on account of the gastric signs for severe abdominal conditions, and in this regard he refers to an American who displayed two large scars, from the operations performed on erroneous diagnosis. (This recalls to my mind a case seen in my student days when a man was operated on for stone in the kidney, on alternate sides, without success and where the diagnosis was ultimately found to be tabes. Perhaps this is Taylor's case.)

Retrobulbar nerve disease causing loss of vision may be the first symptom of some diffuse nervous disorder, and in connection with ocular conditions it is also necessary to recall the fact that Graves disease may be earliest evidenced by the prominence of one eyeball only, while in other cases no signs appear but diarrhea, wasting, cardiac rapidity and discomfort.

Taylor adds that he has never yet advised operation for Graves disease, and that belladonna is his sheet anchor.

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### **Treatment of Gastric Ulcer by Lenhartz's Method.** By JOHN J. GILBRIDE, A.M., M.D., PHILADELPHIA.

Lenhartz's treatment takes two weeks—it is essentially a dietetic form.

He, however, orders four weeks in bed at absolute rest, and uses the abdominal icebag.

Iced milk and eggs, raw and iced, are given every alternate hour from an "iced" spoon; and the day's treatment begins at 7 a.m. and lasts until 9 p.m., with no night treatment.

About 100 c. of milk and one extra egg is added to the total of the preceding day, so that at the end of one week 800 cc. of milk and 8 eggs are being taken. Sugar is added to the eggs on the third day, but only 35 grammes of raw beef on the sixth day, while from the 7th to the 10th 80 gms. are given.

After 3—4 weeks a return to natural diet is allowed. The cases reported were successfully treated.