

**Palliation vs. Prudence.**

Because of its duration, the unusual degree of its intensity and the periodicity of its recurrence, the pain associated with menstruation should always be dealt with in the most guarded manner possible; for an unwarranted use of such habit-inviting drugs as opium and the synthetic analgesics invariably exposes the patient to an addiction to their employment.

In the treatment of dysmenorrhea, whether it be congestive, obstructive or neuralgic in character, the immediate and future welfare of the patient is always best served by the employment of a utero-ovarian anodyne and stimulant to the exclusion of all other pain-allaying agents. Experience has proved that palliation in the case of menstrual disturbance should not be had at the cost of prudence.

The timely administration of Ergoapiol (Smith) in any one of the several varieties of dysmenorrhea always serves to at once relieve distress and promote functional activity of the uterus and its appendages. When used during the menstrual visitation, the anodyne and restorative action of the preparation is notably pronounced.

By reason of its exceptional antispasmodic and tonic influence on the entire reproductive system, Ergoapiol (Smith) is of especial value in instances where a debilitated state of the pelvic viscera is the sole or a contributing cause of the distress attending each catamenial visitation.

In dysmenorrhea among individuals just entering on menstrual life, Ergoapiol (Smith) proves immeasurably more beneficial than such sedative agents as the bromides and viburnum, in that it exerts a marked and prolonged invigorating action on the entire reproductive apparatus.

In instances where the menstrual discharge is membranous or clotty in character, Ergoapiol (Smith) can be relied on to increase its fluidity and thus facilitate its passage from the uterine cavity.

Results are ordinarily most satisfactory when the preparation is administered in doses of one capsule four times a day before and during the menstrual flux.

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Dr. Geo. G. Groff states that house flies do not exist in the Island of Porto Rico.

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In Paris cremation of the dead is on the increase.