

## AN ACROSTIC—LA GRIPPE.—

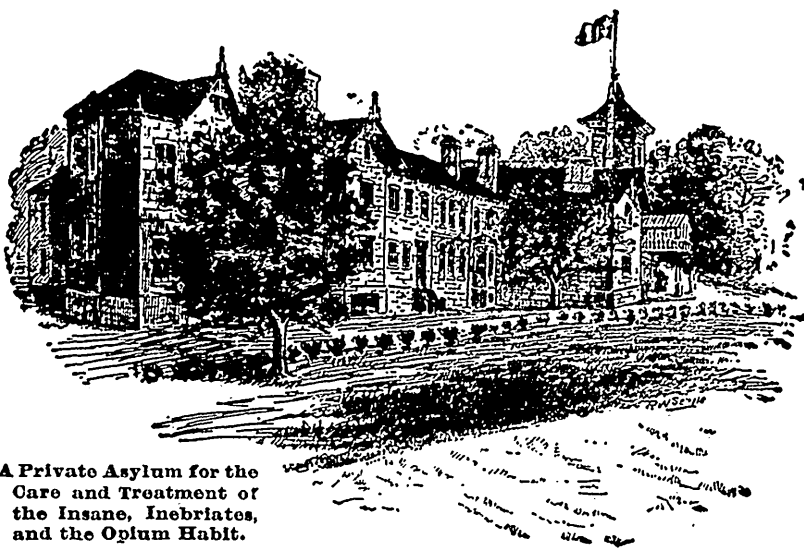
A—ll the nerves gone on a bender,  
 N—ot an organ is exempt,  
 T—eeth and scalp and muscles tender,  
 I—cy chills, the bones pre-empt;  
 K—aleidoscopic are the symptoms  
 legion,  
 A—s they overrun the system,  
 M—aking life a weary region,  
 N—o one able to resist them,  
 I—s there nothing that will cure?  
 A—ntikamnia will, I'm sure.

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SCHOTT'S TREATMENT OF SCIATICA.—Borischpolski (*Neurol. Centralbl.*), adopting the view that sciatica is due to the disturbance of the circulation followed by accumulation of the products of metabolism in the affected nerve, has applied the Schott douches to thirty-two cases of sciatica.

Of these cases, twenty-three were cured, seven were improved, and two remained in *statu quo*. The writer concludes that these douches are of real value in sciatica, a conclusion supported by Bechterew, who says that they are particularly useful in long-standing cases of sciatica.

A NEW TRAUMATICIN.—According to the *Revue Internationale de Medecine et de Chirurgie*, a form of traumaticin that is used in the dermatological clinic in Berne, is made by Ducommun's method—that is, by mixing a watery solution of soap with a solution of alum. A magma, consisting of a compound of aluminum and fatty acids, is formed. The excess of water is squeezed out of this mass with the fingers, and the residue, while still moist, is dissolved in ether.

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