

AGUE.*

1. Take a cold bath immediately before the cold fit is expected. Nothing tends more to prolong ague than cherishing an indolent disposition.

The patient ought therefore between the fits, to take as much exercise as he can bear, and to partake of light diet; for a common beverage lemonade is the most suitable.

2. Or, take a handful of *groundsels*, shred it small, put it into a paper bag four inches square, pricking that side which is to be next the skin, full of holes. Cover this with thin linen, and wear it on the pit of the stomach, renewing it two hours before the fit. Tried.

3. Or, apply to the stomach a large *onion* slit.

4. Or, melt five cents worth of frankincense, spread it on linen, grate a *nutmeg* on it, cover it with linen and hang this bag on the pit of the stomach. I have never yet known it fail.

5. Or, boil *yarrow* in new milk till it is tender enough to spread as a plaster. An hour before the cold fit, apply this to the wrists, and let it remain till the hot fit is over. If another fit occur, use a fresh plaster. This often cures.

6. Or, drink a quart of *cold water*, immediately before the cold fit. Then go to bed.

7. Or, make six middle-sized pills of *cobwebs*.† Take one a little before the occurrence of the cold fit; two a little before the next fit (suppose the next day); three more, if need be, a little before the third fit. This seldom fails.

8. Or, put a teaspoonful of *salt of tartar* in a large glass of spring water, and drink a little at a time. Repeat the dose the two following days, before the fit occurs.

9. Or, two small tea-spoonfuls of *sal prunella*, an hour before the fit. It generally cures if taken thrice.

10. Or, a large spoonful of *powdered camomile flowers*.

11. Or, a teaspoonful of *spirits of hartshorn*, in a glass of water.

12. Or, eat a *small lemon*, with the rind.

It will be well to take a gentle emetic, and sometimes aperient medicine, before using any of the foregoing remedies. If an emetic be taken a couple of hours before the fit is expected, it generally prevents the fit occurring, and sometimes cures the ague, especially in the case of children. It will be prudent to repeat the remedy (whatever it may be) about a week after it has been taken, in order to prevent a relapse. Aperient medicine should not be taken soon after. The daily use of a flesh-brush, and frequent cold bathing are of great importance.

13. Children have been cured by wearing a waistcoat in which cinchona bark was quilted.

* Ague is an intermitting fever, each fit of which is preceded by a cold shivering and goes off in a sweat.

† We are indebted to a physician of this city for the information that this applies only to the webs of spiders which work in cellars, and in other dark places. This, he tells us, has been tested in hundreds of cases.

TESTIMONY RELATING TO VACCINATION.—I have never favored a Compulsory Vaccination Law, and shall vote for its repeal when I have the opportunity.—MR. SAMUEL MORLEY, M. P.

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