

The majority of the cases treated were first seen when the disease had already existed for from one to three weeks, and was generally complicated, more or less, with bronchial catarrh. Nearly all the remedies vaunted as specifics were tried faithfully without establishing their efficacy, having been found not to exert any great power upon the disease, either by cutting it short or rendering the attack milder. Antimonials, mercurials and other antiphlogistics were found to exert a decidedly *unfavorable* influence, while, on the other hand, especially in debilitated children, quinine and ether were found to be productive of marked benefit. The bromides of potassium and ammonium were found to be useful in those cases in which the paroxysms were frequent, and also in those in which the symptoms indicated nervous complications, such as convulsions, muscular contractions, night tremors, etc., etc. Small doses of hydrocyanic acid were generally found possessed of a calmative effect, and seemed to be more efficacious than any other internal remedy. Counter irritation (the linimentum chloroformi being chiefly used, applied by rubbing upon the back and chest night and morning) proved of as much if not of more value than any other method of treatment. Small doses of morphia were used by Dr. Gervis, of the London Hospital, frequently in cases of convulsion, and always with marked benefit, allaying both the pulmonary and cerebral disturbance. Complications of pneumonia and pleuritis were treated entirely by nourishing diet and stimulants. Chloroform by inhalation was found often to relieve the paroxysm of coughing.

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PHYSIOLOGICAL AND THERAPEUTICAL ACTION OF COD LIVER OIL.

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"The minute division of the Iodine in Cod Liver Oil, the particular state in which it exists, must singularly facilitate its absorption by the tissues, and can in this way contribute more than the absolute proportion of this substance to the marked effects which this oil exerts on the animal economy.

"Also Iodine in the oil is not eliminated from the system, AS THE OTHER SOLUBLE PREPARATIONS OF IODINE: in this elementary combination its action is slower, more regular, and more persistent, as it is successively set at liberty in