

possible. She would sit down anywhere, thinking of nothing, and completely broken up. The swelling of the hands was not always present. Without known cause she lost eight teeth during the second month of her illness. Appetite and digestion remained good. There was no perspiration or oily secretion. The tongue became swollen, the saliva abundant, sticky, and thick. The patient always complained of feeling cold, especially in the parts that were swollen. There was but slight change in the thyroid gland at any time. It was a little larger during the epileptic delirium.—*Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease.*

Effects of a Very Large Dose of Anti-febrin.—A number of cases have been recorded showing that even moderate doses of antifebrin or acetanilide may be followed by toxic symptoms, but no case has until now been reported in which nearly an ounce of this drug had been taken. It has generally been supposed that the toxic properties of acetanilide are due to the aniline from which it is manufactured, and it was therefore to be expected that the symptoms occurring in the two cases would be very similar. Dr. Hartge, of Dorpat, who has recently had ample opportunities of observing a case in which a student, who had caught cold, had dosed himself with with twenty-eight or twenty-nine grammes (nearly an ounce) of acetanilide, in addition to a considerable quantity of spirit, states that the symptoms only very partially corresponded with those mentioned by Dr. Dehio as due to poisoning by 154 grains of aniline, and which consisted in blue coloration of the skin and mucous membranes, profound coma lasting several days, irregularity and quickening of the respiration, acceleration of the pulse, the smell of aniline in the breath, loss of power of motion, considerable disturbance of the sensory powers, followed by jaundice, with anæmia, albuminuria, and hæmoglobinuria. It is probable that this aniline was by no means chemically pure, but contained several other substances, especially toluidine. In Dr. Hartge's case, notwithstanding the enormous dose of acetanilide which had been taken, a quantity which requires five-sixths of an ounce of aniline to make it, or more than twice as much as Dr. Dehio's