

in bed, his back formed quite an arch—could walk with great difficulty, and would sometimes fall in the attempts.

Never complained of pain, excepting severe headache at times. Limbs would remain in any position in which they were placed, for a short time, similar to catalepsy. Pupils dilated and oscillating. Pulse free and strong; respiration natural: appetite unimpaired; considerable difficulty in masticating his food and swallowing it.

Ordered—Pot-Iodidi gr. viii., three times a day.

Remained pretty much in same condition for about a week, when signs of marked improvement began to manifest themselves.

There was not such great stiffness of the muscles of back, abdomen, and extremities; could walk without falling; no difficulty in swallowing, appetite normal, bowels regular, but still that vacant look about his face. Pulse 80; respiration 19. Continued the same treatment until about the 28th September, when Pot Bromidi grs. x was substituted for the Pot Iodidi. Emplastrum Belladonnae was applied along the spine; under this treatment he made rapid progress, and was able to go about almost quite as well as usual. The muscles at first affected with spasms became relaxed, and his general appearance became much improved. Was discharged October 10th, quite cured.

CASES OCCURRING IN THE PROVINCIAL AND CITY HOSPITAL, HALIFAX, N.S.

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The two following cases are interesting, as showing the beneficial effects of the bromide of potassium in delirium tremens. In the first case opium was administered in conjunction with the bromide: but when the latter remedy was discontinued, the patient became restless and violent, and on its re-administration he again continued to improve. In the second case no other remedy was given.

J. J., 52, pedlar, admitted May 5th, 1868, under the care of Dr. Hattie. For some years past has been addicted to excessive drinking, and on a previous occasion had an attack of delirium tremens. His friends stated that he had been suffering from delirium for ten days previous to his admission, and had had no sleep for a week. He was excessively nervous and inclined to be violent, and was troubled greatly with vomiting, which had continued at intervals for the past three weeks. Ordered the following mixture:

R—Potass. Bromid ʒijss.

Aqua ʒiv. M. ft. mist.