

mistake, a cupful of water in which her daughter had dissolved 5 cts. worth or about three teaspoonsful of sugar of lead, intending to use it as an application for chapped hands. When first seen she had vomited freely, her husband having on the first alarm given her a tumblerful of mustard and hot water. Patient had no pain, was lying on the sofa, pulse about 80, pupils normal. There were some Epsom salts in the house, and an ounce of this dissolved in half a tumblerful of water was given at once. Dr. Britton, who had also been summoned, arriving with a stomach tube, lavage was thoroughly carried out, a quart of warm water being introduced. This was repeated three times, so as to wash away any particles of the salt which might chance to adhere to the lining membrane of the stomach and until the returning fluid was perfectly clear. The patient was then carried upstairs to bed, hot bottles applied to the arm-pits and feet, and $\frac{1}{4}$ gr. morphia given hypodermically.

Hysteria in a Child.*

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THE history of the case is as follows: G. A—, aged '9; father, strong and healthy; mother, very emotional. No consumption in family. Two brothers and one sister all healthy. The child's previous health has been good, except that she suffered from headache for four or five years. This ceased last year and has not troubled her since. Her present illness began on Wednesday last, August 16th, when she knelt on a needle, the point of which went into right knee over the upper part of the patella. She withdrew it herself, not making any fuss about it. Immediately after the accident the leg became stiff, and patient walked only with considerable difficulty. Physical examination showed the prick of a pin over right patella, but no further lesion about joint. The leg was stiffly extended, and the foot in the position of talipes equinovarus. Believing the knee joint to be uninjured, I bent the leg across my knee, experiencing in doing so considerable resistance at first, but when bent the joint was freely movable. Immediately, however, on relaxing the limb, it returned to its former rigid position. There was no disturbance of sensibility, nor was there any pain in the joint. The mother tells me that she paid but little attention to the child at first, but on examining the

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