

# AFFECTIONS OF THE TEETH, GUMS AND MOUTH.

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## SORE MOUTH, CANKER IN THE MOUTH.

Gums hot, swollen, red and tender; they become spongy and shrink from the teeth, frequently ulcers form on them; the smell from the mouth is offensive.

Mercurius viv. will be found sufficient in ordinary cases.

Hepar sulph. calc. if it be caused by abuse of Mercury.

Natrum mur. if neither of these medicines has the desired effect.

Dose—Twice or three times a day.

## GUMBOIL.

Belladonna if it is caused by taking cold in dry cold weather.

Mercurius and Rhus tox. if caused by cold, damp and wet weather.

Hepar sulph. and Silicea may be given when suppuration has commenced to hasten the formation and discharge of matter.

Dose—A teaspoonful of the solution every three or four hours.

## TOOTHACHE.

Aconite, when the pains are attended with local congestion, heat of skin, thirst, frequent pulse and general febrile symptoms.

Arsenicum if the teeth feel loose and elongated, worse by the least touch or by lying on the affected side, relief by warmth.

Belladonna for pains with heat and swelling of gums and cheeks; aggravation by application of hot things, by the heat of the bed, better by cold or by pricking the gums until they bleed.

Bryonia for shooting pains with twitches towards the ears, pain in sound teeth, aggravation by smoking or chewing tobacco or from anything warm, better in the open air, from cold water or lying on the affected side.

Chamomilla for toothache of children, who are troubled with decayed teeth,

redness and swelling of the gums with heat and redness of one cheek and paleness of the other, excessive peevishness and irritability of temper.

China when the toothache is periodical, for mothers who are nursing, pains made worse by motion, by touching or on exposure to a draught of air.

Mercurius viv. when the teeth are hollow and decayed and loose in their sockets, when the pains are shooting and tearing and extending up to the ears, accompanied with salivation and more or less soreness in the glands.

Nux vomica is suitable to persons of a bilious sanguine temperament with dark hair and complexion, who are subject to indigestion; or when the pains are relieved by warmth, aggravated by cold air, pressure or intellectual occupation.

Pulsatilla is suitable to persons of a mild, timid disposition, with light hair and fair complexion, especially to women and children, when there is a sensation as though the affected nerves were being alternately relaxed and tightened, when cold air affords relief and heat aggravates the pain.

Rhus tox. for symptoms which resemble those of Bryonia, or when the pains are caused by damp, wet, chilly weather.

Silicea when there is ulceration at the root of a sound or decayed tooth.

Dose—Take the medicine dry, one dose every hour till better. If, after taking two or three doses, there is no improvement, select another medicine and take it the same way.

Sulphur or Calc. carb. may be given for the chronic tendency to toothache once or twice a week for several weeks in succession.

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