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**ART. LXXI.—OBSERVATIONS ON THE CLIMATE OF BARBADOES, AND ITS INFLUENCE ON DISEASE: TOGETHER WITH REMARKS ON ANGIOLEUCITIS OR BARBADOES LEG.**

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**CASE 21.—Oblique Inguinal Hernia strangulated; Hiccough and Vomiting of the stercoraceous matter—Operation—Recovery.**—John Gay, aged 32 years, a black native, admitted into Stott's Ward, on the 29th January. He is a healthy looking man, of medium height, of good muscular development, states that he has been long the subject of rupture on the right side, and which he was always able to reduce; has generally worn a truss, which fitted very well. Two days ago the intestine descended, when, not being as usual successful in returning it, he applied for surgical aid to Dr. Chapman of this city, who used the usual means for effecting reduction of hernia, but in vain. The patient not having a comfortable home, was sent into Hospital, and placed under the care of Dr. King, who was in attendance for the week. The attempt at reduction being again tried, and found fruitless, an operation was determined on. At 7 o'clock, p.m., he was placed on the operating table—Dr. King cut down, and, opening the sack, which was found to contain a portion of healthy intestine, divided the stricture from within, and returned the gut. The lips of the wound were brought together by strips of adhesive plaister, and the patient put to bed.

Evening—Appears composed, and lies comfortably in bed; no pain about the part; does not feel at all inclined to sleep, skin comfortable, has passed urine freely, no uneasiness about the bowels.

To have Liq. Opii Sed., twenty-five minims.

Mist. Camph., half an ounce.

A draught to be administered at bed time.

January 30th.—Had some sleep after taking the draught, feels easy this morning, no pain of head or across the forehead, no nausea, does not complain of thirst, tongue moist, slightly furred, bowels have acted gently, skin warm; pulse 100, and of some strength, no pain or tenderness of abdomen.

To have some light Barley Water, and in small quantities at a time.

31st.—Was very restless yesterday evening, but did not complain of pain anywhere. The composing draught had not a beneficial effect on him last night, being restless and talkative the whole night. This morning, hands and feet are cold, tongue coated with a

thick white fur; pulse 120; indications of approaching delirium, answering questions with a smart, nervous manner; eye very bright; he makes occasionally a hissing noise, by placing his tongue against his teeth and drawing in air, and every now and again humming a tune; does not appear to mind pressure on the bowels at all; the pupils are dilated.

To have Mist. Camph., three ounces.

Aq. Menth., two ounces.

Spt. Ammon. Arom., two drachms.

Tinct. Opii, half a drachm.

A mixture. A table spoonful every fourth hour.

Evening, 7 o'clock.—Has been very restless all day, and frequently tries to get out of bed, fancies the man next him is going to rob him; no sleep, is constantly talking to himself, and looking at his hands as he continues picking at his nails; bowels have been moved by injection; there is a little discharge of healthy pus from the wound; hands and feet are still cold, but the temperature of the body is good; heart's action very quiet, both sounds clear and natural.

To have bottles of warm water to the extremities.

Mist. Camph., half an ounce.

Liq. Opii Sed., twenty-five drops.

Aq. Puræ, half an ounce.

To be given immediately.

February 1st.—Had occasional slumber the early part of the night. Delirium has assumed the form of acute mania, he has pulled off all the dressings from the wound, jumps out of bed, annoyed by dreadful hallucinations, fancying that lizards and snakes, and all sorts of vermin are crawling about his bed, and the wall of the room; the surface of the body is cool, and there are occasional outbreaks of perspiration; bowels moved this morning, naturally, and of good colour, not formed, but, nevertheless, of some consistence; pulse small, 120; eye bright and restless; passes a very sufficient quantity of urine.

To have Mist. Camph., half an ounce.

Spt. Ether. Sulphur., two drachms.

Spt. Ammon. Arom., a drachm and a half.

Aq. Puræ, four ounces.

Two table spoonful every fourth hour.

2d.—Pretty much in the same state as yesterday, got no sleep last night, towards morning he slumbered for about half an hour; seems to be fatigued and exhausted by his exertions to rise, and by incessant talking; is now a little more quiet.

To continue the mixture.

3d.—Had some sleep last night, and is not so violent; the scrotum and mons veneris are swollen, and the wound is discharging plentifully of yellow pus; is not so cold as he was; pulse 100, of more power; no pain at