

After the stomach becomes retentive, the thirst less intense, the heat of the head lower, the eyes fully closed in sleep, and the intestinal evacuations tinctured with bile, these measures may be suspended, or be carried out less frequently, and others adopted in accordance with the exigencies of the case. If the evacuations are yet too frequent, attended with considerable pain, the chalk mixture with paregoric will restrain them in a very admirable manner. If digestion is very imperfect, which it is almost certain to be, pepsine wine immediately after partaking food as recommended by Dr. Reeve, is of great benefit. If to the same conditions there are superadded flatulence and diminished tone, the aromatic syrup of rhei, guarded by a little paregoric will be found to render efficient service in progressing the cure. In the way of nourishment nothing equals milk and lime water, and for the advanced stages, mutton broth, with tapioca, or blanc mange when the tongue is not dry.

During treatment close attention should be paid to pure air which, too often unattainable in cities, may be readily secured by removing to the suburbs or the country.

I have been led to present this mode of treating cholera infantum not from its novelty, but from its simplicity and success. No doubt others may think the same of theirs, and if so, may peruse the above mode more from curiosity than for information. But there are others, especially junior members of the profession, whose mode of treating this disease may not be all that they could desire. It was so once with myself, and I would then have been grateful for suggestions, which would have tended to make its management in this region and civic conditions more efficient. There are also those who treat this affection with castor oil and paregoric, a line of treatment often very offensive to an irritable stomach, and which I have seen superseded by that above narrated to the immediate relief, and amendment of all the symptoms. Again, the opiate and astringent plan, even during the height of the febrile movement, is in favor with others. I cannot help regarding this mode as highly mischievous. Brain complications, visceral engorgements, an increase of fever, a greater fatality or a prolongation of the struggle with disease are the almost invariable results. I speak on this from personal observation, a mode which I was years ago led to adopt from the plausible way of reasoning upon the indications of cure in cholera infantum, namely, to subdue irritability, and diminish excretion.—*Cincinnati Lancet and Observer.*

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