

CLINICAL DEMONSTRATION OF THE VIRTUE OF HIGH POTENCIES.

The following clinical experiences ought to convince the most skeptical that there is not only power in the tissue salts, but that there is virtue in the higher potencies.

I know there are many scoffers at the theory of the high attenuations possessing any curative virtues, but the "proof of the pudding is in the eating;" and the following cases demonstrate, to my mind, without a doubt, the value of high potencies.

About six weeks ago I was called to attend Mr. G., a man of fifty years of age, who was suffering intensely with sciatic rheumatism. The pain began in the right hip and extended down the sciatic nerve to nearly the heel. The pains were very severe, and were relieved only by gentle movement. Kali Phos. was, evidently, the remedy needed. I gave it in the 3x, and alternated it with Magnes. Phos., 3x. It gave some relief, but in a few days I was called to see a case in another State and was absent two weeks. About a week after my return I was again called to see Mr. G., who was suffering severely; "so bad," his son-in-law said, "that he cries with the pain." I found the patient similar as before, but much worse and in a weakened condition.

During my absence he had tried an Oxydonor, and every patent medicine which his friends and neighbors would suggest, but without avail.

I put him on the same remedies (3x), but with no good result. In two days I changed to Kali Phos., 12x, in alternation with Magnes. Phos., 6x. The next morning his son-in-law reported that the patient slept all night, with the exception of getting up once. In three days the pains were almost entirely gone, and he could walk about the house without suffering, although he dragged the leg somewhat. A week ago I learned that he only occasionally felt a little pain; since that time I have not heard from him.

On my return from the above mentioned trip I found my father suffering from sciatica of the left leg. He has been subject to attacks of this distressing ailment for several years. He had tried nearly everything which seemed to be indicated, including Kali Phos., 3x, but without gaining relief. I, at this time, suggested Kali Phos., 12x, which he tried with the most happy

results. That night he slept quietly, and the next day the pain had almost entirely disappeared. A few days' treatment entirely cured the affection. In this case an occasional dose of Natr. Phos. was taken, as an excess of acid was noticeable in the urine.

I give these cases for what they are worth; but to me they are worth a great deal, for it has again forcibly brought to my mind the high value which may be placed upon the higher potencies when the lower ones fail to act. *Verbum sat sapienti* (a word to the wise is sufficient).
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CHOOSING THE CORRECT REMEDY.

THE TISSUE REMEDIES ACTED PROMPTLY.

Early in the month of January a young boy of seven years was passing from one room to the other when he was suddenly stricken with a violent attack of croup. He had been coughing a little for several days, but had been playing about the house apparently in good condition. Two hours after the little fellow had commenced to croup I reached the house. The patient was in the throes of a painful paroxysm of coughing and gasping for breath. The hard, barking sound so characteristic of croup was most marked. The rasping, sawing respiration of threatened suffocation told plainly of his suffering. Usually of a mild disposition he became almost furious. He would not open his mouth or allow any external application to the neck. He was restless, peevish and feverish. It was evident that relief was required quickly. Aconite was given frequently without effect. Iodine and Kali Bich. gave no better results. Five hours elapsed with no perceptible change for the better. The case was, apparently, settling into one of membranous croup. The parents and friends were alarmed, and I was anxious enough to lose several hours' sleep. Ferr. Phos. and Kali Mur. were substituted for the other remedies. Given in alternation every 10 or 15 minutes it was not long before a decided change for the better was noticed. The boy commenced to expectorate a thick tenacious mucus, the cough became looser and recovery occurred in a few days. In this case the tissue remedies were very prompt and satisfactory in their action. The case but illustrates how careful one must be in choosing the correct remedy for each individual case.

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