

liniments or salt water were daily made over the lower limbs and spine, but nothing appeared to have any influence in conquering the invasion of the enemy.

She again passed into the hands of other physicians, who, alternately for several months, tried what they could do for her. During that time I had not seen her. She had been dosed with all the remedies generally indicated in such affections, and her spine had been all along repeatedly blistered, etc. *She had lost all control over her bladder and bowels*, and she remained in that condition for about four months, a most miserable invalid, having to be attended to like a baby, without the least sensation from her waist down. She was then pronounced incurable by all the physicians who saw her, and she had given up all hopes of ever being able to walk, and having again the natural control of herself. It was at this period of her case that I was providentially apprised of the effects of pil. hæmatinic (Howard's) in such affections. I at once determined to give them a trial. I visited her and proposed treatment. She was rather reluctant about submitting to further trials

with her disease, but she finally consented, and I sent for the pills.

I began treatment on the 24th of April, 1892, giving one pill *ter. die*. In a few days she began to feel slight shocks along the lower extremities, and considerable pain about the sacrum, which I blistered. The blister relieved the pain some for a few days. After a few weeks she was given four pills a day. The shocks all along the lower extremities became more violent, and she had severe pain in the sacral region. Morphine was given by the mouth and hypodermatically without relieving the pain. A combination of bromide of potash and hyoscyamus was given, which for a time somewhat relieved the pain. But she objected to the bromide, saying it made her feel badly, without relieving the pain enough to allow her to sleep. Acetanilide, antipyrin, and antikamnia were the drugs she took most easily, and gave her most general relief. But sometimes in the intervals of the doses the pain in the legs and sacrum would return with such violence that she could not bear it without being thrown into spasms. At this juncture—three weeks from beginning treatment—

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