

its appearance in 1832, in this country. Its more rapid course in 5 or 6 visits subsequently may be attributed either to its never having completely left our populous cities, or its more swift transmission by the modern modes of travelling.

The theory as to pathology is that the poison produces its primary effect on the stomach and alimentary canal and secondarily through the ganglionic system thence to the spinal nerves, marrow and brain producing debility and congestion of the viscera and finally alteration of the blood.

With regard to curability, he believed that when the multiplicity of remedies was so great, the chances of cure were proportionately small. We have in cholera the most diverse remedial measures recommended, beginning with emetics and ending withdrastics. It is hard to conceive how vomiting and purging could be relieved by full doses of Sulphate of zinc, tartic emetic, calomel, rhubarb and aloes.

It has been proposed to supply the drain of serum by a free supply of albumen, chloride of sodium, and carbonate of soda.

Opium has been condemned for embarrassing the cerebral functions and causing wakefulness, still it must prove useful to allay spasm and pain, and combined with astringents, and sedatives, he thought should not be lightly condemned. Effervescing draughts and iced lemonade allay thirst, turpentine stupes, sinapisms, friction with capsicum over the surface and hot packing are expedients of promise. If the lungs, liver or kidneys were seriously embarrassed he should try dry cupping. Electricity might be useful, and perhaps scruple doses of Ipocacuanha.

Dr. Goodman thought that the specific disease was not easily diagnosed from some of the most severe forms of cholera-morbus. Dr. Mack stated that the physiognomy of the disease was very characteristic, the fuliginous aspect, stridulous voice and shrinking of the integuments were such as he had never witnessed in any other epidemic.

In the treatment of the choleric accompanying the prevalence of this malady the sol. of the persesqui-nitrate of iron first brought under the notice of the profession by Dr. Kerr had proved efficacious in the highest degree, in his hands. The remedies he had placed the greatest reliance upon in the last epidemic were camphor until full reaction was established, then calomel, opium and creosote, and he should now feel inclined to give a faithful trial to Dr. Chapman's spinal ice bags.

House to house visitation appeared to him the wisest of all measures, along with the most stringent hygienic regulations for stamping out or mitigating the epidemic after its invasion.