

Opinions of the Authorities on the Application of PAPIOID (Carrica Papaia) in Diphtheria and Dyspepsia.*

PROFESSOR D. FINKLER, of the University of Bonn Rhein, Germany, has made an exhaustive study of Papoid. We quote a few extracts from his published writings on the subject :

"PAPIOID is a digestive ferment made from the tropical fruit 'Carrica Papaia.' When taken into the stomach has the following action. —

"It converts five times as much albumen into pepsone, bulk for bulk, as the best pepsin."

"It increases the flow of gastric juice, by stimulating the peptic glands."

"It prevents the decomposition and fermentation of the contents of the stomach by its antiseptic action."

"The action commenced in the stomach is continued after the food has passed into the intestines, as it acts in the presence of an acid or an alkali, or when the reaction is alkaline."

"It is perfectly harmless."

"It dissolves any unhealthy mucus sheathing the walls of the stomach and intestines, and,"

"It relieves pain, either caused by the presence of irritating ingesta, or due to local neuralgia."

"It is thus evident that the drug will prove useful in all cases where there is either deficient secretion of the peptic ferments, abnormal fermentation, or a combination of both conditions."

"In practice excellent results have been obtained in the following conditions—

"Gastric or intestinal pain."

"Vomiting, persistent, especially the morning sickness of chronic alcoholism, and that incidental to pregnancy."

"Anorexia, simple loss of appetite without other symptoms."

"Acid dyspepsia."

Gastric Catarrh.

5 George Street, Hanover Square,
LONDON, Aug. 4, 1887.

DEAR DR. HERSCHELL, —

Thank you for sending Mr. Hughes to me with his little girl. I ordered the child your favorite Papoid which I have found of the very greatest value in cases of Gastric Catarrh. It is really a wonderful medicine.

Yours very truly, EUSTACE SMITH,
Physician to First Children's Hospital.

Its Advantages in Diphtheria.

Dr. A. JACOBI, New York, before the Medical Society of New York, Feb. 2nd, 1886: "Diphtheritic membranes are dissolved in a few hours—in a few cases after a day only. Temperatures of 104 and 105 degrees would sink to the normal standard after the removal of the membranes."

Prof. CRONER, (im Vereine fur innere Medicin in Berlin) reports successful treatment of a boy eight years old with Papoid. A five per cent. solution brushed upon the parts every hour caused the entire disappearance of the membranes in about seven hours and the reduction of the temperature to normal. Recovery was rapid.

FLATOW, at the same meeting, mentioned a similar case treated with equal results, using a five per cent. solution.

Drs. FRAENTZEL and LEYDEN, at the same meeting, related similar successful cases.

Prof. OERTEL, in Respiratory Therapeutics (Ziemsens Handbuch der Allgemeinen Therapie, p. 1751)—"A large piece of diphtheritic membrane expectorated by a child suffering from diphtheria of the trachea was dissolved in a five per cent. solution of Papoid in one hour's time."

KOHTS and ASCHE, (Zeitschrift fur Klinische Medicin, Vp. 558), "Diphtheritic membrane in the throat and nose as far as they can be reached are completely dissolved by a five per cent. solution."

Dr. A. F. GREEN, Cleveland, Ohio: On the morning of Aug. 16th, I was called to treat Willie Taylor, son of W. D. Taylor, of the firm of Geo. Worthington & Co., who was suffering with malignant diphtheria. A large surface on the right side of his throat was covered with diphtheritic fungus. I applied Papoid to the child's throat every 40 minutes for 18 hours, when the membrane was entirely removed. Thinking then, from the favorable symptoms, that the disease was abating, I applied the remedy at intervals of about three hours. About 36 hours after the fungus on the right side had been dissolved, it appeared in large patches on the left. I again treated the throat at short intervals, and met with the same success as before mentioned. After the sixth day the child made rapid and unimpeded progress to recovery.

Yours, A. F. GREEN.

* PAPIOID may be obtained from THOS. LEEMING & CO., 25 St. Peter Street, Montreal, who are sole Agents for the article in Canada.