

of the family had a very high order of intelligence. This girl had been considered equal in mental ability to any of the others in the family, and had always been very industrious and temperate. Her insanity had developed in October, 1906. When attack first came on she was very excitable and would strike and slap all those around her, without any provocation. This was followed by great depression of spirits and indifference to her surroundings. She refused to speak except when greatly irritated. She lost all her affection for her friends. At times she would cry out without cause, and could be heard by neighbours a long distance away. She would keep up this crying sometimes for hours at a time. She refused to eat, became very much emaciated, and gradually got into a stuporous condition. She had a staring, blank expression. When admitted she only weighed 87 pounds, although she was 5 feet 5½ inches in height. She was in a catatonic stupor, and the condition known as *cerea flexibilitas* was very marked. Her tongue was heavily coated, teeth covered with sordes, and the odour from body was very offensive. She would only speak occasionally, and although very weak she would sometime get up out of bed and stand in the room without any apparent reason. The stomach was washed out and she was tube fed continuously until the 10th of March, at which time she began to eat. She had some cathartics, diuretics and numerous saline enemas. She had wet packs continuously every second day for about three weeks, and after that they were given alternately with sheet baths. These latter seemed to do her a great deal of good. She would not sleep at all on admission, but would often lie quietly with her eyes half closed. In a short time she began to sleep, and in two weeks she was getting a reasonable amount. She was kept in bed and had continuous treatment for about six weeks. In that time she had improved a good deal physically, but not mentally. She still acted very foolishly, and was very