

These cases were cured respectively in 3 doses: 36 hours, 60 hours, and 2 days (*Lancet*, April, 1876).

A failure with this treatment is also reported in the *Lancet*. The patient, æt. 5½ years, having taken 107 grains in 4 days without the slightest benefit. Croton-chloral has also been largely used, the cases reported being cured in from 10–11 days as a rule. The largest number I can find treated on this plan are between two and three hundred reported by Dr. Roberts, and he says most cases usually yield completely in two weeks.

Dr. Fiddes also states that in his cases the relief was manifested in about 50 per cent.

Carbolic acid has had also an extended trial in the hands of various practitioners with a result altogether satisfactory, the cure taking place in from 4 to 10 or 12 days. The "whoop" usually ceasing first and the cough continuing a few days longer.

One point in this treatment must be carefully noted, and that is permitting the vapor of the acid to be inhaled, and it has been found that this is sometimes necessary to influence the course of the attack, the internal administration of the drug not having the desired effect.

I hope that some of the members present will relate their experience in the treatment of this disease, and report their cases, because it is only in this way that we will be able to form a correct opinion as to the merits of these various remedies, and to establish a sound mode of treatment.

*July 6, 1878.*—Saw four children of Mrs. O'B. They have been whooping for at least six weeks, the attacks being worse at night. I ordered the two elder, æt. 7 and 5 years, to take 1 m. ac. carbolic, three times a day; one child, æt. 3 years, ½ m., and a baby, æt. 9 mos., ⅓ m., ter in die. I combined it with cardamoms and Syr. limon. I instructed the mother to wring cloths in a solution of the acid *Siss ad Oj*, and to hang them about the bed. The benefit of this treatment was noticed in from 2–3 days.

*July 19th.*—Cough almost gone, whoop having ceased several days ago.

*July 21st.*—Completely well.