

## A CASE OF MULTIPLE NEURITIS SUCCEEDING TYPHOID FEVER WITH PERMANENT PARALYSIS.

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The writers venture to present this paper for publication because of the exceedingly interesting clinical history which it reveals, rather than from any wish to discuss the subject of Multiple Neuritis. The patient came under the care of Dr. Allan Baines at the Toronto General Hospital and through his kindness and that of Dr. Bingham who operated at a later date performing a radical cure for a condition of floating kidney, we are enabled to place the history before you.

*Clinical History.*—Mrs. O., aged 26, married 6 years.

*Family History.*—Mother died at 38 of consumption and heart disease. Her mother's three sisters and one brother also died of consumption and a fourth sister living at the present time has the same disease.

Paternal history, is negative.

*Personal History.*—Had measles when sixteen; no other children's diseases. She was married in 1894. One year later when in Toronto she was taken sick with what she calls dysentery, after a period of general malaise. After being sick for three weeks, during which time the motions of the bowel numbered eight to twelve a day, she sought medical advice. A day or two afterwards, after a sleep of a couple of hours' duration, she awoke to find both lower limbs completely paralyzed. The next day she was taken to the Burnside Lying-in Hospital and was delivered of an eight months foetus Oct. 17th, 1895. The same day she practically lost the use of arms and hands. There was an intense pain in both temples which radiated backwards to the occiput, and thence down the back of the trunk and legs to the feet. During November, she was transferred to the medical wards of the hospital. There the paralysis of the hands and arms began to improve, although generally before going to sleep there was severe twitching of the muscles of the extremities, and also great pain in the supra-scapular fossae, and thickened speech existed for some time. Her vision was dimmed for a while and the muscles of the left hip, thigh and calf, and of the left thenar eminence were markedly shrunken. She went home and about June 30th, '96, was sufficiently improved to attempt standing on her feet, but could not walk and had to be wheeled in a wheel chair for the rest of the year. Then for some months she was able to get about with the aid of crutches. Her condition gradually improved until she was able to do light house work, and could walk as much as half a mile. The left leg and foot would swell at times as far as the knee, and when tired her legs would give way under her completely letting her fall to the ground. During '96 she had herself noticed that the left kidney was movable, and would descend as far as the left iliac region. She has been a continual sufferer from indigestion, and also complains of having had occasional attacks of suppression of