

and still inclined to sleep. Ordered broth. In the evening continued favourable, but still complained of tenderness in the epigastrium, which appeared to be in the abdominal muscles, near their attachment to the ribs and sternum, no doubt, produced by the excessive vomiting.

I applied the needle over the ensiform cartilage, and injected one fourth of a grain of morphia.

The next day, Jany 30th, she experienced marked relief, and expressed herself comfortable. The bowels being constipated I ordered her to take a teaspoonful of magnes: sulph: and repeat every three or four hours until the desired effect should be produced. Jan 31st. Bowels moved and doing well, ordered beefsteak and roasted potato. I saw her again several days after when she appeared quite relieved but weak; and continued to improve until March 1st, when she again sent for me. She was then threatened with the same symptoms, which had been produced by overloading her stomach with a variety of indigestible articles. Her full term of gestation being now nearly completed, I induced labour as a palliative measure, and delivered her in about eight hours of a healthy, living child. The next morning, the after pains being very severe and her stomach rejecting everything, I injected half a grain of morphia into her arm which was followed by marked relief. I repeated the dose in the evening of the third, and again on the morning of the fourth, same strength, each application being followed by additional relief. March 5th much better, and did not require the needle. In the evening she complained of a slight cough, for which I prescribed a mild cough mixture and cautioned her against sitting up, as she was disposed to do, the weather being extremely cold. The next morning she had a severe chill; pleuro-pneumonia of both sides set in, and she died two days after.

*Case 7.*—August, 1861. A man aged twenty-five, whom I saw in the early part of the day afflicted with rheumatism, and for whom I prescribed a mixture containing three drops of tinct. verat. veridi: and eight grains of potassia: acetat, in every teaspoonful, but instead of giving one teaspoonful, the dose prescribed, his wife gave him a dessert-spoonful, which contained nearly three times as much, and before bedtime, he having taken three doses, vomiting severely after each dose, and being excessively prostrated, I was sent for in great haste, and not without good reason, for when I arrived I found him very much prostrated, retching violently, and a tough ropy mucous was issuing from his mouth, which indicated poisoning from the verat. verid. He could not speak audibly, his pulse could scarcely be felt, his countenance appeared ghastly, his skin cold, and bathed in perspiration, and his pupils were widely dilated; in fact he appeared upon the very verge of dissolution. I in-