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THE NEW THERAPY BULLETIN.

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The progress and successful treatment by Mechanical Vibratory Stimulation, of a case of Chronic Gastric Catarrh (with complications), of eight years duration. Reported by George I. Rochelle, M. D., No. 124 West 117th Street, New York City.

Patient A. B.-Tailor.

Age 36.

For eight years has been troubled more or less constantly with gastric discomfort—sense of fullness, flatulence, nausea, and, frequently with vomiting—the vomited matter being of thick and ropy consistence. There has been throughout the period of his illness, indisposition to mental effort and a feeling of general physical discomfort. Would fall asleep immediately after supper, but slept badly after going to bed. Was restless during sleep and was frequently disturbed and awakened by paroxysmal seizures of coughing and pressure. Constipation was extreme.

Physical signs negative as to stomach. There is slight dullness and roughened respiration over right

apex. Granular pharyngitis is quite pronounced.

TEST BREAKFAST.

Mucous + ⊥ also with Litmus Normal quantity negative with Congo and dimethyl; starch digestion (Lugol's) accelerated.

Treatment with attempted lavage, and diet, laxatives, etc., relieved some of the more gross symptoms, but inasmuch as patient was intolerant of the stomach tube, lavage had to be discontinued. Consultation was had March 6th, and the diagnosis of Chronic Gastric Catarrh was confirmed by Prof. Einhorn, and the line of treatment previously pursued was recommended to be continued. Improvement being slow, and patient anxious for a trial of some new method of treatment, Mechanical Vibratory Stimulation was employed. The following is an epitomized history of the progress of the case under this method of treatment.

TREATMENT BY MECHANICAL VIBRATORY STIMULATION.

First Treatment March 12th. Application of Vibratory Stimulation was made with ball attachment throughout the dorsal region over the first to the twelfth inclusive, particularly on the left side, also at the angle of the ribs from the sixth to the tenth (see accompanying chart); and the brush was applied anteriorly over the stomach, liver, spleen and pneumogastrics at the sides of the neck.

The spinal nerves in region above mentioned seemed, at the first treatment, to be dormant, there being very little sensation in response to pressure. The cough was greatly aggravated as an apparent result of the first treatment, patient being unable to sleep because of its persistence and severity.

Second Treatment: Cough began to rapidly subside in frequency and severity. Sleeps much better.

Third Treatment: In addition to the treatment outlined above, patient was given a "Mesenteric Glandular Flushing," (as described by Maurice F. Pilgrim, M. D., on page No. 145 of his book on "Vibratory Stimulation") about a quart of water being used for this purpose.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS OF EIGHT TREATMENTS.

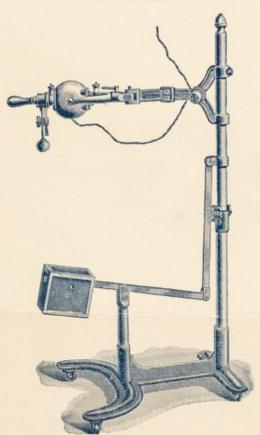
All the symptoms of Gastric abnormality began to subside after the third treatment. At the end of the eighth treatment (March 27th) patient has gained five pounds in weight, sleeps well every night; mental condition greatly improved; appetite, digestion and assimilation steadily improving. Cough has almost entirely subsided. During the period of this improvement—March 12th to 27th—Mechanical Vibratory Stimulation was, substantially, the only treatment employed.

Patient is still under treatment and making satisfactory progress towards what promises to be a complete cure. Further report on this case will be made in a subsequent bulletin.

NOTE.—It is the intention of the Clinical Department of this Company, to issue, for the information of the profession, bulletins from time to time, (probably two each month) setting forth, briefly, the histories, diagnosis and results, in certain interesting cases, treated by this new therapy. It is hoped that these bulletins, while illustrating the practical value of this new system of treatment, will also be a material contribution to the general advancement of medical science.

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Note— (\mathbf{X}) Cross marks indicate affected areas, showing where treatment was applied.

