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THE NEW THERAPY BULLETIN.

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CASE OF CHRONIC SYNOVITIS OF TWENTY YEARS' STANDING, SUCCESSFULLY
TREATED BY MECHANICAL VIBRATORY STIMULATION. REPORTED BY FREDERIC
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HISTORY.

Patient: J. M. Age 48. Occupation, Bartender.

Gave history of gonorrhea twenty-two years ago and syphilis fifteen years ago. The knee has been enlarged and painful for the past twenty years, and for ten years has at no time been entirely free from pain.

DIAGNOSIS.

Patient was first seen September 20th. At that time the affected knee was about twice as large as normal and very painful to the touch. The patient was in constant pain, which was increased with movement. There was some atrophy of the muscles of the thigh.

TREATMENT.

Patient had been under medicinal treatment continuously, using both internal remedies and local applications, with scarcely any alleviation of the pain and never complete relief. On September 20th treatment by Mechanical Vibratory Stimulation was commenced and continued every other day. The patient received in all five treatments. Treatment was applied along the spine from the ninth dorsal down to the coccyx, using the ball attachment. The glands of the inguinal and femoral regions were stimulated, and the knee treated locally with the brush. After beginning treatment by Mechanical Vibratory Stimulation no other remedial agents were used.

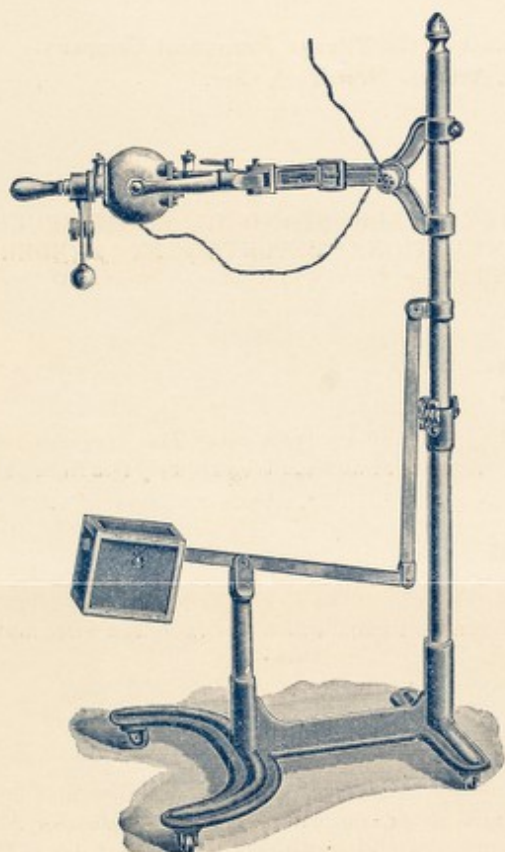
RESULTS OF TREATMENT.

The patient experienced great relief immediately after the first treatment. On September 22d, when the patient reported for the second treatment, there was very marked reduction in the size of the limb. The third application afforded entire relief from pain, and at the time of the fifth treatment there was a complete cessation of all pain, and examination showed the knee to be normal in size. Subsequent examinations have failed to show any return of symptoms and the patient has been discharged.

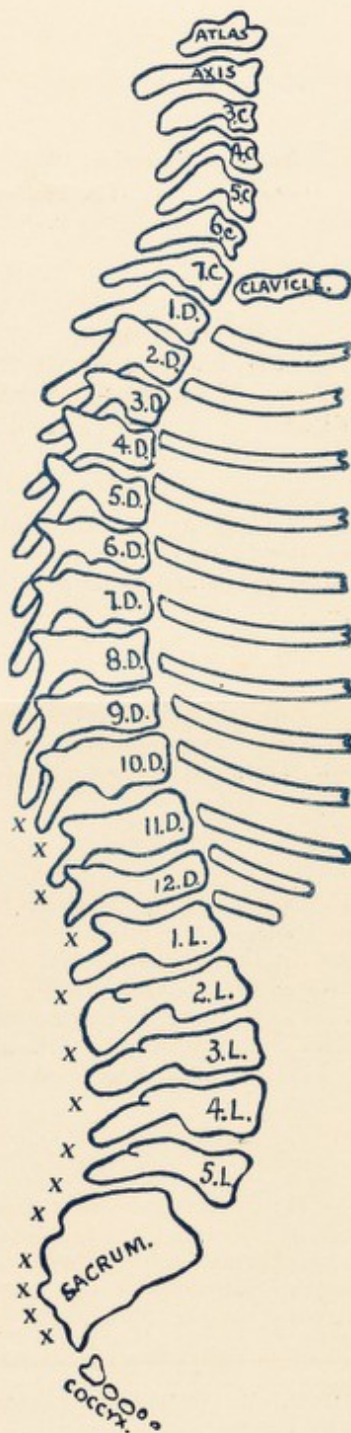
NOTE—It is the intention of the Clinical Department of this Company, to issue, for the information of the profession, bulletins from time to time (probably two each month), setting forth, briefly, the histories, diagnosis and results, in certain interesting cases, treated by this new therapy. It is hoped 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—(X) Cross marks indicate affected areas, showing where treatment was applied.