

CURABILITY OF GENERAL PARESIS.—M. Magnan in a clinic at St. Anne related the history of two persons suffering from general paralysis, who had recovered. The patients were seen by several physicians, and had shown, of course, only the initial symptoms.—*Four. de médecine et de chirurgie pratiques*, No. 1, 1883.

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CANNABIS INDICA IN PETIT MAL.—M. F. D. Hayman reports the successful use of tincture of cannabis indica in a case of petit mal which had resisted other remedies. He gave it in doses of m. x, increased to 3 ss. The patient was a young man 26 years of age.—*Lancet*, Jan. 27, 1883.

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TREATMENT OF SPERMATORRHŒA.—Dr. H. Coupland Taylor gives a tolerably good résumé of the line of treatment to be followed in ordinary cases of spermatorrhœa. The measures to be adopted are: 1, moral; 2, hygienic; 3, medicinal. 1. *Moral*. a. The pernicious habit of masturbation, which has probably been the origin of the complaint, must at once be discontinued, or no good can result from any treatment. b. The thoughts should be directed from himself by his having regular work and exercise. c. The anxiety of mind which ensues should be allayed as much as possible, and a happy state of mind instituted. 2. *Hygienic*. a. The patient should have regular but not excessive mental employment, and bodily exercise in the form of walking, riding, or out-door sports and games. b. Cold sponging of the genitals night and morning for some minutes, or as long as can comfortably be borne, is a most important agent in giving tone to the relaxed organs. c. The patient should have a hard mattress, and as little and as light clothing as possible at night. Care should be taken not to lie on the back, which may be prevented by wearing a knotted towel over the spine, or by some other device. d. No quantity of liquid should be taken before retiring to rest, and the bladder should be emptied the last thing. 3. *Medicinal*. A mixture containing tincture of perchloride of iron and tincture of nuxvomica should be given twice or three times a day; also a pill containing a fourth or a third of a grain of extract of belladonna with three grains of camphor should be given at first every night, and then every other night, immediately before going to bed.—*British Med. Jour.*, March 24, 1883.

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SCIATICA AND LUMBAGO TREATED BY DRY CUPS AND SUBCUTANEOUS INJECTIONS OF ETHER.—Mr. J. Brindley James claims very successful results from the above method. The ether is injected in doses of ten minims, repeated and gradually increased to thirty minims.—*British Medical Journal*, March 17, 1883.