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## Chapter 1 : The Chronic Diseases, Their Specific Nature and Homeopathic Treatment

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Inquiry into the modus operandi of a homoeopathic drug. WE have no means of knowing the inmost functions of the organism; sometimes we may feel at liberty to draw speculative conclusions from results relative to the nature of the causes in which they have originated, but we cannot sustain our explanations by illustrating them by the phenomena of material nature; for this reason, that the functions of the living organism have nothing in common with the changes of matter, but on the contrary, take place in an entirely different manner. Possessed by these convictions, it is quite natural that I should never have attempted to explain how diseases can be cured by medicines, the pathogenetic symptoms of which are similar to those of the disease. I have furnished a conjecture relative to that matter, without wishing it to be considered an explanation. Such an explanation is not necessary. It simply behoves us to apply the law "like cures like" correctly and successfully, and not to boast with abstract explanations, in spite of which the patient may remain uncured. Indulging foolish hypotheses is all that the so-called physicians of the Old School have accomplished up to this moment. These physicians would not have hesitated to reject the doctrines of homoeopathy, which however teach the only true method of cure, simply because my explanation of the modus operandi of homoeopathic agents was not satisfactory. It is undeniable, that our vital powers, when unassisted by remedial agents, are unable to cure diseases, even those of short duration-taking it for granted that those powers are not overcome by the disease, without expending by a so-called crisis a portion, and frequently even a considerable portion, of both the fluids and solids of our organism. I have shown this elsewhere. We shall, perhaps, never be able to explain this mode of action of the vital powers but we know with certainty that they do not accomplish a victory over disease in a direct manner, or without making great sacrifices. The vital powers are not even capable of healing the chronic, miasmatic diseases, and of substituting health in their stead, without inflicting a loss upon the organism. But it is certain, that although the vital forces may achieve a victory over the acute as well as miasmatic diseases without inflicting such losses upon the organism, provided they are assisted and directed in their action by a properly selected homoeopathic agent, it is nevertheless those forces that conquer, in the same sense as the native army is said to have beaten the enemy, although it may have been assisted by auxiliary troops. Those vital forces, unless assisted by a homoeopathic drug, cannot control a natural disease without inflicting great sacrifices upon the organism; for, naturally, they have only power to maintain the unimpeded evolution of the functions of the animal economy, as long as those functions are not disturbed by the improper interference of an external agent. This result can only be avoided by assisting the vital forces by a proper remedial agent. God has appointed the true physician to this office. The homoeopathic agent is alone able to secure to the vital forces that superior power which is necessary to conquer the enemy. I repeat, that the vital forces, the natural destination of which is the regulation of the undisturbed functions of the organism, oppose but a feeble resistance to the approaching enemy, which waxes stronger in proportion as this enemy becomes more powerful, but which, even in the most favorable circumstances, is scarcely equal, and in weak patients, not even equal to the power of the assailing enemy: By magnifying ever so little the enemy by whom the vital forces are assailed-which we accomplish by invading the vital forces by an artificially morbid influence closely resembling the disease, we induce those forces, as from an instinct of self-preservation, gradually to unfold all their energies until they become powerful enough to control the disease; the vital forces are then restored to the regulation of the animal functions, whereas, the artificial medicinal disease disappears of itself, so soon as we discontinue the use of those agents by which it had been established in the organism. The principle by which the body is animated, is infinitely great and lasting, provided we maintain its integrity by a proper diet, and relieve it from an invading enemy by proper homoeopathic treatment. Read " of" in the place of " by," page first, line 10, from above. Iodine has rendered especial service in affections with the following

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symptoms: Dizziness in the morning; throbbing in the head; pain as from excoriation in the eyes; buzzing in the ears; hardness of hearing; coated tongue; mercurial ptyalism; bad taste, as of soap; sour eructations, with a sense as of burning; heartburn, after eating heavy food; canine hunger; nausea; incarceration of flatulence; distension of the abdomen; constipation; nightly micturition; delaying menses; cough; old morning cough; difficulty of breathing; external swelling of the neck; weakness of the arms, early in the morning when in bed; going to sleep of the fingers; curvature of the bones; dryness of the skin; night sweats. This drug has been proved by Drs. Gersdorff, Gross, Hartlaub and Trinks, Schreter. From Noack and Trinks: Iodine is useful in the following affections: Scrophulosis, it is supposed by some that the muriate of baryta will dispute the rank with iodine in the treatment of scrofula. Syphilis, with tendency to hypertrophy; chancre eleve. Iodine has cured a chancre on the fraenum praeputii; the fraenum having become detached, that portion of the ulcer which was situated on the fraenum, became elevated, whilst that other portion which was situated upon the glans was deepened, without, however, showing the characteristic edges of a chancre. The cure was effected in this way: Old gout, characterised by violent, nightly pains, in various joints, without any swelling; spina ventosa and caries of the spongy extremities of the bones. Dropsy; dropsy after fever and ague, in a scrofulous female; various forms of intermittent fever and ascites, intimately connected with disturbances of the spleen; scarlatina, when Bell. Sore nipples, consequent upon scrofulous conditions. Febris meseraica; Lobethal observes, that in febris meseraica, iodine is inferior to CALc. Inflamed, big, bloated eyelids. Humming before the ears and hardness of hearing, being remains of frequent colds or catarrhal inflammations of the throat, when we can with certainty diagnose an accumulation of mucus in the Eustachian tube by the humming being increased by chewing or any other motion of the jaws, or when the cold frequently returns, or when the patient complains of his ear being closed by a valve. Hard hearing from swelling of the tonsille; swelling of the parotid gland. Obstinate and torpid swelling of the cervical glands. Affections of the liver. Scirrhus swelling of the inguinal glands, resulting from metaschematismus of the gout. Diseases of the urinary organs. Metritis and oophoritis in conjunction with Ars. Leucorrhoea, of scrofulous females; chronic leucorrhoea when accompanied by a pale, cachectic and chlorotic complexion and disposition to catarrhal affections. Diseases of the trachea. Profuse secretion of mucus in the larynx, brought on by influenza or a catarrhal fever, with rough voice, tingling and burning in the throat, in persons who incline to phthisis. Cough remaining after an epidemic influenza; violent influenza; cough, with spitting of blood; pain in the chest and high fever, preceded by aconite. Cough, with tenacious, white expectoration, excited by an irritation under the upper portion of the sternum-worst early in the morning. Chronic catarrh of persons who incline to phthisis laryngea or pulmonalis. Croup, in alternation with aconite. Hooping-cough, with intolerable tickling in the whole chest. Pneumonia, when hepatization threatens to set in. Pulmonary consumption, tuberculous and pituitous. Scrofulous inflammation of the knee, considerable bright-red, shining, hot, tense swelling of the knee, darting stitches and burning in the swelling, small, red openings discharging a bloody and watery pus, pain increased by motion, or by bending the knee, or pressing upon it. Dropsy of the knee-joint. White swelling of the knee. Inflammation of the synovial membrane of the knee: Altschuhl says he has cured an iodine cachexia, with iodine 30, 2 pellets. Antidotes of small doses: Iodine is especially useful after, or in alternation with,. Out of humor and sensitive, during the period of digestion, from noon till evening, with an oppressive sensation in the throat and chest, such as one feels when one is about to weep. Oppression of the chest. Alternate disposition to weep and to be cheerful. Oppressive anxiety after having performed some manual labor, going off when sitting. Anguish and despondency; the patients are mostly thinking of the present moment. Impatient moving about; she is running about all the time, and never sits down; nor does she sleep at night; one ought to suppose her crazy. Restlessness-the body is continually moving. Aversion to sitting still. He apprehends this or that accident from every trifle. Feeling of despondency, oppressive and continuing with the pain. He deems himself incapable to do any thing. She is no longer phlegmatic; she has become a blooming, stronger, and more animated girl. Vexed, out of humor; nothing is done to her satisfaction. Extreme disposition to get angry. Increased sensitiveness to external impressions. Irritated nerves and feelings. Excessively merry and talkative;

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she does not give any one a chance to say a word. Illusions of the sense of tact. Fixed, immoveable thoughts, Obtusion of the head with great disinclination to serious labor. Obtusion of the head, which appears to come from the back and move up along the nape of the neck. Obtusion of the head, becoming an oppressive pain, a. Slight obtusion of the head, with pressure in the right half of the forehead, and great hunger, a. Vertigo, drawing one forwards. Vertigo with weakness, early in the morning. Headache, so violent that it makes him almost crazy. Quickly passing pain in the occiput. Headache in warm air, when driving a long time, or walking fast. Pain in the forehead and top of the head, increasing at every noise or conversation. Headache as if a ribbon were tied round the head very firmly. Pressure on a small spot of the forehead, just above the root of the nose. Headache, especially in the left side towards the forehead, frequently returning. Pressure in the region of the vertex, for 10 minutes. Headache, especially in the temples, going and coming. Aching in the occiput, moderate when at rest, violent during motion, and resulting at last in a sensation of great dreariness in the whole head, 1. Aching over the eyes, towards evening. Violent aching in the base of the occiput, in the afternoon, in the open air. Sharp aching, on the left side over the forehead. Aching and sometimes lancinating headache.

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But the number of the other chronic diseases on this great earth has been immeasurably greater, and remains so. Treatment by allopathic physicians hitherto merely served to increase the distress from this kind of disease; for this treatment consisted of a whole multitude of nauseous mixtures compounded by the druggist from violently acting medicines in large doses, of whose separate true effects they were ignorant, together with the use of manifold baths, the sudorific and salivating remedies, the pain-killing narcotics, the injections, fomentations, fumigations, the blistering plasters, the exutories and fontanelles, but especially the everlasting laxatives, leeches, cuppings and starving treatments, or whatever names may be given to all these medicinal torments, which continually varied like the fashions. By these means the disease was either aggravated and the vital force, spite of so-called tonics used at intervals, was more and more diminished; or, if any striking change was produced by them, instead of the former. Even in these other kinds of chronic diseases, its disciples, by following the teachings presented in my former writings and my former oral lectures, accomplished far more than all the afore-mentioned methods of curing; i. And all this was done without robbing the patient of his fluids and strength, as is done by the allopathy of the common physicians; so that the patient, fully healed, could again enjoy gladsome days. These cures indeed have far excelled all that allopathists had ever -in rare cases- been able to effect by a lucky grab into their medicine chests. The complaints yielded for the most part to very small doses of that remedy which had proved its ability to produce the same series of morbid symptoms in the healthy body; and, if the disease was not altogether too inveterate and had not been too much and in too great a degree mismanaged by allopathy, it often yielded for a considerable time, so that mankind had good reason to deem itself fortunate even for that much help, and, indeed, it often proclaimed its thankfulness. But with chronic diseases caused by a psora already fully developed, the medicines which were then known never sufficed for a complete cure, any more than these same medicines suffice at the present time. This would be especially the case whenever the seemingly cured disease had for its foundation a psora which had been more fully developed. In the former case, however, in which merely the troubles which seemed to have been removed were renewed, the remedy which had been serviceable the first time would prove less useful, and when repeated again it would help still less. They served at last hardly even as weak palliatives. Thus there ever followed varying complaints ever more troublesome, and, as time proceeded, more threatening, and this even while the mode of living was correct and with a punctual observance of directions. Their beginning was promising, the continuation less favorable, the outcome hopeless. Nevertheless this teaching was founded upon the steadfast pillar of truth and will evermore be so. The attestation of its excellence, yea, of its infallibility so far as this can be predicated of human affairs, it has laid before the eyes of the world through facts. What was the reason of the thousands of unsuccessful endeavors to heal the other diseases of a chronic nature so that lasting health might result? What is there to prevent this? The answer to this question, which is so natural, inevitably led me to the discovery of the nature of these chronic diseases. No, I left it unmentioned because it is improper, yea, hurtful to speak or write of things still immature. By this method he may then be able victoriously to heal and wipe out the malady in its whole extent, consequently also its separate members; that is, all the fragments of a disease appearing in so many various forms. But that the original malady sought for must be also of a miasmatic, chronic nature clearly appeared to me from this circumstance, that after it has once advanced and developed to a certain degree it can never be removed by the strength of any robust constitution, it can never be overcome by the most wholesome diet and order of life, nor will it die out of itself. So also with similar chronic patients who did not confess such an infection, or, what was probably more frequent, who had, from inattention, not

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perceived it,. After a careful inquiry it usually turned out that little traces of it small pustules of itch, herpes, etc. Gradually I discovered more effective means against this original malady that caused so many complaints; against this malady which may be called by the general name of Psora; i. It then became manifest to me, through the aid afforded when using these medicines in similar chronic diseases, in which the patient was unable to show a like cause, that also these cases in which the patient remembered no infection of this kind were of necessity caused by a Psora with which he had been infected, perhaps, even in his cradle, or in some other way that had escaped his memory; and this often received corroboration on a more careful inquiry with the parents or aged relatives. Most painstaking observations as to the aid afforded by the anti-psoric remedies which were added in the first of these eleven years have taught me evermore, how frequently not only the moderate, but also the more severe and the most severe, chronic diseases are of this origin. This observation taught me that not only most of the many cutaneous eruptions which Willan distinguishes with such extreme care from one another, and which have received separate names, but also almost all adventitious formations, from the common wart on the finger up to the largest sarcomatous tumor, from the malformations of the finger-nails up to the swellings of the bones and the curvature of the spine, and many other softenings and deformities of the bones, both at an early and at a more advanced age, are caused by the Psora. I was thus instructed by my continued observations, comparisons and experiments in the last years, that the ailments and infirmities of body and soul which, in their manifest complaints, differ, so radically and which, with different patients, appear so very unlike if they do not belong to the two venereal diseases, syphilis and sycosis , are but partial manifestations of the ancient miasma of leprosy and itch; i. Thus in the year one patient would be prostrated with only a few symptoms of this plague, a second patient showed only a few but different ailments, while a third, fourth, etc. Still less can they be overcome and extinguished. Thus they never pass away of themselves, but increase and are aggravated even till death. They must therefore all have for their origin and foundation constant chronic miasms, whereby their parasitical existence in the human organism is enabled to continually rise and grow. In Europe and also on the other continents so far as it is known, according to all investigations, only three chronic miasms are found, the diseases caused by which manifest themselves through local symptoms, and from which most, if not all, the chronic diseases originate; namely, first, SYPHILIS, which I have also called the venereal change disease; then SYCOSIS, or the fig-wart disease, and finally the chronic disease which lies at the foundation of the eruption of itch; i. PSORA is that most ancient, most universal, most destructive, and yet most misapprehended chronic miasmatic disease which for many thousands of years has disfigured and tortured mankind, and which during the last centuries has become the mother of all the thousands of incredibly various acute and chronic non-venereal diseases, by which the whole civilized human race on the inhabited globe is being more and more afflicted. PSORA is the oldest miasmatic chronic disease known to us. In the many thousands of years during which it may have afflicted mankind, -for the most ancient history of the most ancient people does not reach to its origin,- it has so much increased in the extent of its pathological manifestations -an extent which may to some degree be explained by its increased development during such all inconceivable number of years in so many millions of organisms through which it has passed,- that its secondary symptoms are hardly to be numbered. And, if we except those diseases which have, been created by a perverse medical practice or by deleterious labors in quicksilver, lead, arsenic, etc.

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