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What Paralysis is.

SOME INTERESTING AND PROFITABLE MEDICAL READING FOR NON-MEDICAL PROPLE.

So common has become the occur rence of paralysis in recent years that many use the word for a slang expres-sion : but for all that it is probable that a vast majority of the people who think at all of paralysis reckon that it is a disease of itself. That some medical men so regard this condition is plain from the fact that deaths are frequently certified to have been caused The incorrectness of this notion will, however, be plain when the conditions which give rise to paralysis

no longer able to work. The doctor to whom the man applies says a "brachial jects in this communication. monoplegia from muscle tire," which means simply that the man has overwrought his hammer arm and it needs rest. To these causes the very appropriate name of "artisans' palsy" is given. Again, a poor-blooded, nervously-constructed person, most likely a woman, meets with a great shock or has to endure an unusual and prolonged mental or physical effort. Soon, and perhaps without warning, the individual loses the use of some part of the body, often of the vocal apparatus, and the patient is unable to speak above a whisper. The doctor says "hysterical paralysis," or "hysterical aphonia," loss of voice. Now just how this comes about we fancy it would puzzle the most learned doctor to say. Concerning the condition, however, as well as the one before mentioned, this much is known, viz. : that by appropriate treatment they recover perfectly and promptly. very good evidence that no part of the nervous apparatus is broken. The faith cures reported from time to time are probably cases of the kind last men-

It sometimes happens that an intoxi-cated person will fall asleep with the head resting upon the arm or with the However, my stomach was out of order and my food often failed to digest, arm hanging over a chair back. When the person wakens the arm is numb; the person wakens the arm is number, it tingles and is paralyzed—another "brachial monoplegia," but really pres-sure upon the trunks of the nerves ous or that a monstrous disease was be-ous or that a monstrous disease was becausing at times great inconvenience. which supply the disabled member has effected those nerves so that they are unable to perform their usual duty. The nerves which go out from the brain and spinal cord to the extremities are quite comparable to the wires which are stretched from place to place for electric communication, and pressure upon or section of those nerves produces results very like those which follow an interference with the wire. The case just given illustrates very well a large number of cases-of palsy ing these symptoms continually, I fi-nally became accustomed to them, and from pressure, for pressure upon the brain or spinal cord or the nerves which the fact that I had no pair in the affecthave their exit therefrom will produce ed organs or in their vicinity. Why a palsy whose extent will depend upon I should have been so blind I cannot have their exit therefrom will produce the extent of the pressure and whose curability will depend upon the chances understand. for removing the pressure. Pressure upon the nerves which supply one side of the face produces a very characteris-

No Home Exempted. THE SOURCE OF THOSE MYSTERIOUS TROUBLES THAT COME TO EVERY HOUSE. Ca are caused by Bright's disease of the kidneys. This may sound like a rash statement, but I am prepared to fully verify it. Bright's disease has no dis TROUBLES THAT COME TO EVERY HOUSE-

HOLD EXPLAINED. The follownig article from the Dem-ocrat and Chronicle, of Rochester, N. Y., is of so striking a nature and commantes from so reliable source, that it is herewith re-publishel entire. In addition to the valuable matter it con-tains, it will be exceedingly interest ing : To the Editor of the Democrat and Chronicle : Sin: - My motives for the publica-tion of the most nuusual statement-which follow, are, first, gratitude for The follownig article from the Dem-

conditions which give rise to paralysis are clearly set forth, and this we now propose. A carpenter, blacksmith or some me-chanic, whose business requires him to that I have been saved from a most horrible death, and, secondly, a desire to warn all who read this state ment against some of the most decep-tive influences by which they have ever-that he is unable to raise his hammer. that he is unable to raise his harmner arm, or perhaps while at work the man suddenly feels his arm become numbi and weak, it falls to his side and he is no longer able to work. The doctor to others against nearing it, are my ob-

On the first day of June. 1881, I lay at my tesidence in this city surrounded by my friends and waiting for death. Heaven only knows the agony I then experience what he says, I implore evendured, for words can never describe. ery one who reads these words not to And yet, if a few years previous, any one had told me that I was brought so low, and by so terrible a disease, I sible death will be the sure result of should have scoffed at the idea. I had such neglect, and no one can afford to hazard such chances. always been uncommonly strong and

I am aware that such an unqualified healthy, had weighed over 200 pounds and hardly knew, in my own experi-statement as this, coming from me, and hardly knew, in my own experi-ence, what pain or sickness were. Very many people who will read this state-ment realize at times that they are us-ually tired and cannot account^{*} for it. They feel dull and indefinite pains in various parts of the body and do not ed, but I make the foregoing state understand it. Or they are exceeding-ly hungry one day and entirely without appetite the next. This was just the I can substantiate to the letter. The way I felt when the relentless malady welfare of those who may possibly be which had fastened itself upon me first sufferers such as I was, is an ample inbegan. Still I thought it was nothing ; ducement for me to take the step I hat probably I had taken a cold which have, and if I can successfully warn would soon pass away. Shortly after others from the dangerous path in this I noticed a heavy, and at times a which I once walked, I am willing to neuralgic, pain in my head, but as it would come one day and be gone the next, I paid but little attention to it. J. B. HENION, M. D.

Some Causes of Animal Diseases-

ntown Telegraph. It was formerly a general belief, es pecially among farmers, that many diseases, such as slabbering in horses, coming fixed upon me. Candidly, I staggers in sheep, and many disease thought I was suffering from Malaria in cattle were produced by certain weeds or herbage in the food, especial and so doctored myself accordingly. But I got no better. I next noticed a peculiar color and odor about the fluids ly the pasture they consumed. It may e that in some cases it is so, and in I was passing-also that there were fact we are quite confident that slab large quantities one day and very little the next, and that a persistent scum apbers are caused by certain weeds in August pastures, if not by some of the early autumn grasses. Still, with the peared upon the surface, and a sediment settled in the bottom. And yet I did progress of discovery it has been found not realize my danger, for, indeed, seethat plants are not nearly so much to blame as we one time supposed. It was for instance once an almost universal belief that the Texan cattle fever was brought about by some small fungoid vegetation which existed in the Texas prairies ; but a commission ap pointed by the Department of Agricul There is a terrible future for all physture, went to Texas and reported that ical neglect, and impending danger al- there was nothing whatever to warrant

PSALMS. [REVISED]

Hear this, all ye people, and give ear all ye invalids of the world, Hop tinctive symptoms of its own, (indeed, it often develops without any pain what-ever in the kidneys or their vicinity), Bitters will make you well and rejoice 2. It shall cure all the people and put sickness and suffering under foot.

3. Be thou not afraid when your family is sick, or you have Bright's disease or Liver Complaint, for Hop Bitters will cure you.

4. Both low and high, rich and poor know the value of Hop Bitters for bilious nervous and Rheumatic com-

5. Cleanse me with Hop Bitters and which follow, are, first, gratitude for ous and insidious nature. It steals in- 1 shall have robust and blooming

> 6 Add disease upon disease and let the worst come, I am safe if I use Hop Bitters.

7. For all my life have I been playard with sick-

ous power which was removing them. Instead of common symptoms it often

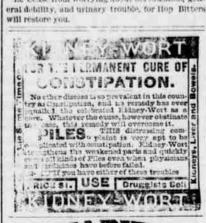
9. Though thon hast sores, pimples, freckle salt rheum, crystpetas, blood poisoning, yet llop Bitters will remore them all. shows none whatever, but brings

10. What woman is there, feelide and slox from female complaints, who desireth not health and useth Hop Eitters and is *mode well*. 11. Let not neglect to use Hop Bitters bring of

serious Kidney and Liver complaints. 12. Keep thy tongue from being furred, thy blood pure, and thy stomach from indigestion by using Hop luiters.

13. All my pains and aches and disease go lik chaff before the wind when I use Hop Bitters. 14. Mark the man who was nearly dead and

ven up by the doctors after using Hop Bitte and becometh well. 15. Cease from worrying about nervousness, gen





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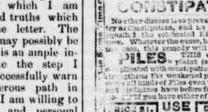
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laughable mistakes on the part of tyros and non-professional people by their attempts to detect the affected side. Pressure upon the brain or spinal cord is mostly due to the pressure of tumors, to fractures of the skull or bones of which the backbone is formed and to blood clots within the skull or spinal canal. Patients who recover from diphtheria, scarlet fever and some other acute sickness are frequently paralyzed in some part. These cases generally recover by appropriate treatment and it is quite probable that many cases would recover spontaneously. The remarks before made concerning certain cases which recover well applie equally to the cases just named.

tic paralysis and one that cuauses many

People who work in lead are liable to a peculiar form of paralysis, which is first seen, as a rule, in the muscles of the forearm, on account of which the patient is unable to extend the hand upon the arm. At times the whole of occupation and the use of remedies which will assist the elimination of the mineral from the system is the proper course for such patients. Analagous forms of paralysis are caused by arse-nic and mercury probably by their action upon the nerve structure of the spinal cord. Woorara, the Indian arrow poison, will also produce paralysis if introduced into the system in sufficient quantities. The paralyzing efknown. Certain conditions of the circulatory apparatus predispose to extensive and often incurable paralysis. The arteries are elastic tubes. By age, hard work, care, and the prolonged use of alcoholic drinks, these tubes lose their elasticity and become brittle. By some event which determines an unusual quantity of blood to the brain one of these now inelastic tubes is broken, the poured-out blood clots, as before mentioned, and a paralysis immediately fol-

its last stages.

Owing to certain systematic conditions fibrin, a substance normally sus-pended in the blood, lodges upon the flood-gates—valves—of the heart. Presently a part of this matter is dislodged and washed away into the blood; perchance it reaches an artery in the brain which will not permit it to pass. This at once cuts off the blood supply from a part of the brain, one of the immediate symptoms of which is palsy of the part of the body which receives its nervous supply from that portion of These paralyses are usually the brain. extensive and are not readily distinguished from those just mention-

Tae presence of worms in the bowfriends. My hiccoughs ceased and I experienced less pain than formerly. I was so rejoiced at this improved conels of children is believed to produce els of children is beneved to protect was so rejoiced at this improved cou-paralysis in some cases. Such cases was so rejoiced at this improved cou-being due to a known removable cause are described as reflex paralysis. These but a few days before was my dying but a few days before was my dying the day, they are worthy of respect. These diseases are very troublesome when they once get into a lot of cattle. adults as well. Finally, change in the structure of the brain or spinal cord produce paralysis, varying in extent of nerve structure involved. Such pa of humanity, wherever and wherever I ralyses are especially obstinate in those had an opportunity. I also determined that I would give a course of lectures in the Corinthian Academy of Music in of advanced years. Change of structure in the spinal cord usually pro-duces disability in the legs. Now, this city, stating in full the symptoms these are the most common causes of paralysis and, from what has been said, it will be observed paralysis is not a disease of itself. Neither is it always incurable. less than three months I had gained 26

The whole matter has been thorough ly studied by many medical men, some of whom, for their proficiency in such matters, have attained a national reputation. Of these doctors perhaps the most learned are found in Philadelphia. used. -Times.

Now it is the Treasurer of Monroe county, Iudians. Amount \$15,000. Cause, speculating in stocks. In each State some man must fall.

ways brings a person to his senses, even though it may then be too late. I realized, at last, my critical condition disease, and subjects sheep raisers to and aroused myself to overcome it. And,Oh ! how hard I tried ! I con-ute it to plants and which was called disease, and subjects sheep raisers to sulted the best medical skill in the land, I visited all the prominent mineral this account. Besides this, various springs in America and travelled from other plants in other sections have been Maine to California. Still I grew worse. No two physicians agreed as But now it is known very clearly that no to my malady. One said I was troub- plant has anything to do with it, but that led with spinal irritation : another, ner- it results from a small wormy parasite, vous prostration : another, malaria : which after developing in its early staanother, dyspepsia : another, heart disanother, dyspepsia : another, heart dis-ease ; another, general debility ; anoth-er, congestion of the base of the brain ; and so a through a long list of com-sheep's brains. All this is well known and so on through a long list of common diseases, the symptoms of all of which I really had. In this way sever-al years passed, during all of which into places which were once free from the settered about so as to be introduced into places which were once free from the settered about so as to be introduced into places which were once free from now, but it is not so well known how

time I was steadily growing worse. My it. The clue was furnished some few condition had really become pitiable. years ago in the case of the The slight symptoms I at first experi-enced were developed into terrible and parasite often found a home in enced were developed into terrible and constant disorders-the little twigs of the flesh of the hog, and fearful results pain had grown to oaks of agony. followed on the human frame in many My weight had been reduced from 207 cases. There was no doubt but the muscular system is involved. Change to 130 pounds. My life was a torture very same insect could be comto myself and friends. I could retain municated from the animal eaten to the no food upon my stomach, and I lived human system. Bat subsequent experwholly by injections. I was a living ments proved without the slightest mass of pain. My pulse was uncontrolable. In my agony I frequently fell upon the floor, convulsively clutched the carpet, and prayed for death. Mor-phine had little or no effect in deaden-ing the pain. For six days I had the doubt that high heat totally destroyed the enemy and that therefore meat that was thoroughly cooked was innocuous Since then it has been placed beyond question that some fearful parasites that once in a while infest the human system death premonitory hiccoughs constant-ly. My urine was filled with tube casts and albumen. I was struggling come from imperfectly cooked beef. Raw beef cures have been popular with some empirical mendicants, and the with Bright's Disease of the kidneys in

> been a matter of calculation with no While suffering thas I received a doubt as to the origin. call from my pastor, the Rev. Dr. Foote, rector of St. Paul's church, this The great question has been how these troublesome things first get into city. I felt that it was our last interthese animals Some time ago, in view, but in the course of the conversasome anatomical lectures in Philadel tion he mentioned a remedy of which I phia, Dr. Joseph Leidy, who probably had heard much but had never used. stands at the head of his branch of sci Dr. Foote detailed to me the many re- ence in this country, gave it as a remarkable cures which had come under sult of his own personal researches. his observation, by means of this rem- that animals which eat raw meatedy and urged me to try it. As a prac- cats, dogs, and so forth-take in the ticing physician and a graduate of the eggs with the raw meat they eat, which schools, I cherished the prejudice both pass through their system unchanged and that then the eggs become scatterchannels being the least beneficial. So solicitous, however, was Dr. Foote, that I finally promised I would waive my prejudice and try the remedy he so plants are often blamed for results highly recommended. I began its use which really are in no way connected plants are often blamed for results on the 1st day of June and took it ac with them. Dr. L. is strongly of opincording to directions. At first it sick- ion that where flocks and herds are folened me; but this I thought was a lowed as a business, no herbivorous angood sign in my debilitated condition. imal that may be connected with the I continued to take it; the sickening establishment should be fed on raw sensation departed and I was able to food, but that the meat they eat should retain food upon my stomach. In a few days I noticed a decided change man beings. man beings. How far these views may be true or for the better as also did my wife and

> not we are unable to say; but as the result of the studies of one of the best bed, I vowed, in the presence of my family and friends, should I recover I would both publicly and privately make known this remedy for the good is usually well worth observing. and any simple thing which does not

> > Our state legislatures proves that ortion of the Scriptures which says and the dumb spake.

Sabate Alexander has been convicted of murder in the first degree at Easton, and a motion for a new trial is pending. the reasons being that six of the jury attended the Lutheran church on San pounds in flesh, became entirely free from pain and I believe I owe my life day and listened to a sermon from the text "Thou shall not kill," the subject and present condition wholly to Warbeing suggested by the Dukes tragedy ner's Safe Cure, the remedy which I The pastor did not know that the jury men were in church. The defense claim

Since my recovery I have thoroughly that the hearing of the sermon prejudi ced the minds of the jurors. investigated the subject of kidney dif-ficulties and Bright's disease, and the

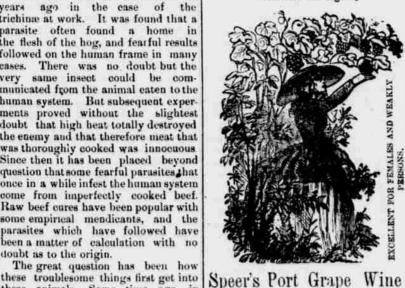
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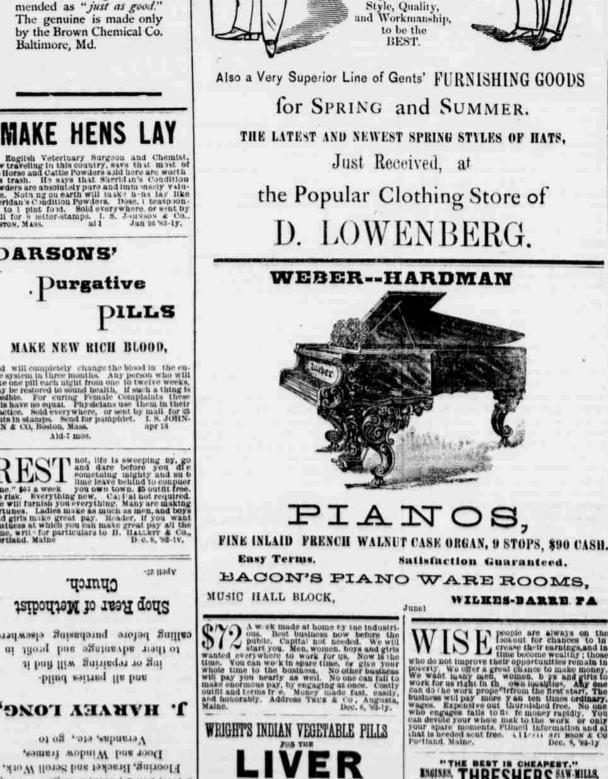
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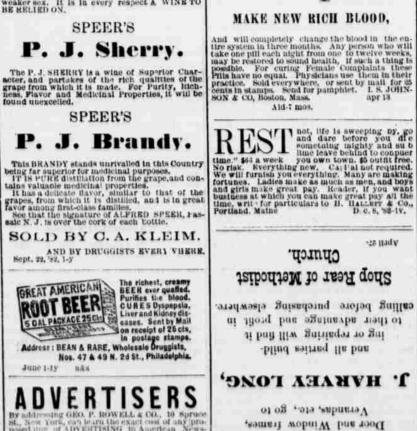
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