

# DR. B. C. FLOWER,

## And His Congress of Physicians—Miracles in Medicine.

**Monstrous Tumors Felt Away—The Lame Throw Aside Their Crutches and Walk—Cancer, Consumption and Chronic Trouble Cured in a Hysterical Patient.**

Our readers are well acquainted with the name of Dr. B. C. Flower of Boston. His miraculous cures of the most desperate and abandoned cases when given by a neurologist or leading physician has earned the *Inter-Congress of Chicago, Cincinnati Enquirer* and *New York Tribune* to say that miracles were ever performed, many of Dr. B. C. Flower's cures belong to that class of wonders. The *Cincinnati Enquirer* recently interviewed numerous prominent people in all sections of the country regarding Dr. Flower's treatment of patients. Here is what they say. They speak for themselves.

**A Wonderful Cure.**  
Wm. Mix, a prominent lawyer and wealthy gentleman of 1044 Third avenue, Louisville, Ky.: "Dr. B. C. Flower of Boston, Mass., cured my wife several years ago of the most terrible and dangerous disease woman can be heir to. I consider Dr. Flower's cure of Mrs. Mix almost miraculous. I had spent thousands of dollars on prominent physicians in Louisville and elsewhere without any help. After several months under the best specialists of New York she continued to grow worse, and I brought her home in the desperate despair. Under those conditions I took her to see Dr. Flower. He told her her trouble better than she could have told him, without asking a question. In a few weeks she was cured. Dr. Flower's treatment was entirely different from any I had ever known, and she has enjoyed ever since the finest health. As a physician Dr. Flower leads the world. I believe he is the highest authority. As a man Dr. Flower is one of the most pleasing, entertaining and cultured gentlemen you ever met, and a man of the highest integrity."

**Tuberculosis.**  
Henry D. Posey, 615 Chestnut street, Evansville, Ind.: "I consider Dr. Flower the greatest physician in all the world. I don't believe I have ever known a physician and I doubt if there will ever be another, and I form my judgment from his work. 'I was a living, breathing man, and I could not eat anything, not even milk, without great distress. I had wasted to a shadow. I had given up hope and was given up by the world. I did so. He told me all my trouble without asking a question. Then I knew I was in the presence of a man who knew his business. I put myself under his care, and improved immediately, and am a sound, well man today. You can say for I believe he has no equal on earth."

**Fibroid Tumor.**  
Mrs. James E. Smith of Corydon, Ind.: "When I went to see Dr. B. C. Flower about a year ago I was suffering with a large advanced tumor. In a few weeks I was cured. He treated me with the best of medicine and the best of doctors in this section of the country. They all advised an operation, and stated that unless I had one performed I would live but a few days. He said by no means certain that an operation would help me. Dr. Flower told me my troubles, their origin and cure. He said he was asking me a question. He stated that in his opinion an operation would prove fatal; on the other hand, he believed I could be successfully treated and cured. He said he would place myself under his treatment and began to improve immediately; today I am a well woman—no tumor, no pain, strong and happy. I wish every sick person knew of Dr. Flower."

**Paralysis and Tumor—A Miracle.**  
Mrs. Wm. Daakyns of Sheridan, Ind.: "About a year ago I visited Dr. Flower. He said he would cure me of my paralysis and about crutches whenever I went out. A terrible tumor measured three and a half feet around the waist and four feet from hip to hip. The disease had settled in one limb, and I had no use of it; was also losing my eyesight. My nerves were shattered and I had no memory. Not one of my friends ever thought I could be helped. The physicians had given me up as incurable. Dr. Flower had told me to remove the tumor, and I asked him, 'how big a question, or how they came upon me.' I took a course of treatment under him, and thank God, I am today a well woman. Look at me—tumor gone, nerves restored, sight restored, memory gone, nerves like iron, no crutches—I can walk for a mile and not feel tired. Why, sir, I believe Dr. Flower to be the greatest man of his age. He is a marvel—a giant in his work. Several of my acquaintances who have cured in the same way. The people in Sheridan speak of this cure as wonderful and miraculous."

**Consumption.**  
"I was a sufferer with consumption," said Mrs. John D. Becker, 103 John street, Evansville, Ind.: "I had tried the services of numerous physicians without relief. As a last resort (and the lady laughed as she added: 'Dr. Flower is always the last resort.') 'I went to see Dr. B. C. Flower. He said he would cure my troubles without asking me to say a word. So pleased was I with the examination that I placed myself under his care, and began to improve immediately. He diagnosed a well woman. Ten months ago I could do no work, could scarcely walk, spent my time lying down in a rocking chair; now I can do any kind of work, and my appetite is like that of a young girl. I cannot speak too highly of my physician," said this cultured and refined woman. "Dr. Flower is a great man, an honest, candid man, a true doctor, quick and keen and wonderfully fascinating. I don't think the sick have any cause to fear if under his care."

**Confirmed Invalid.**  
Mrs. Joseph Cronwell, Xenia, O.: "I was a helpless and confirmed invalid when I went to see Dr. B. C. Flower. I could not walk 100 feet without sitting down. Besides, I was a nervous wreck. He diagnosed my case accurately. I began to improve immediately under his treatment. Can now skip, run and do anything. Am well, and thank Dr. Flower a million times over."

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**The Worst of Blood Troubles.**  
Mrs. A. G. Thompson late of Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, now of Pittsfield, N. H., says: "Dr. B. C. Flower, of Boston, cured me over ten years ago of blood trouble, man or woman ever had. It was eating the flesh rapidly from my bones. I suffered all the misery and torture of time every day of my life. All the leading physicians of New York and New England had treated my case and all had given me up as incurable. In this condition I applied to Dr. Flower, and in ten days I was permanently cured, for in ten years I have had no return of the trouble."

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Of all the modern fortresses in the world there is scarcely one so interesting as that of Gibraltar, which at this moment happens to be of peculiar interest on account of its important role in the event of a war involving Morocco. The military element dominates the whole life of the place. With 5000 or 6000 troops—for Gibraltar is never without that number—the streets are alive with redcoats and bluecoats, the latter being the uniform of the artillery.

Everything goes by military rule. The hours of the day are announced by gunfire. The morning gun gives the exact minute at which the soldiers are to turn out of their beds, and the last evening gun the minute at which they are to turn in. It is necessary for the outsider to regard these signals, as the gates of the place are opened and shut at the firing of the guns.

If Gibraltar were merely a rock in the ocean its solitary grandeur would induce many a sight-seer to inspect its rugged sides. But as it is at the same time the strongest fortress in the world the interest of the greater number of visitors is to see its defenses. The natural strength of its position has been multiplied by the construction of modern warfare, in the admiration of which one is led for a moment to forget the "greatness thrust upon it by nature," but only for a moment. Standing on the top of the rock, which is 1400 feet high, and looking down the cliff where the waves are dashing at its feet, fills a person with an awe that is indescribable, and one is loath to resume his tour of inspection.

The rock is nearly three miles long and from one-half to three-quarters of a mile broad. On the eastern side the cliff is so tremendous that there is no possibility of scaling it, therefore the only approach must be by land from the north, or from the sea on the western side. As the latter lies along the bay and is at the lowest level, it is the most exposed to attack. The town lies here and could easily be approached by an enemy if it were not for its artificial defenses. These consist mainly of what is called the Line Wall, a tremendous mass of masonry, two miles long, relieved here and there by projecting bastions, with guns turned right and left, so as to sweep the face of the wall. The line defended is more than two miles long.

Within the Line Wall, immediately fronting the bay, are the casemates and barracks for the artillery that are to serve the guns. The casemates are designed to be absolutely bomb-proof. The walls are so thick as to resist the impact of shot weighing hundreds of pounds. The enormous arches overhead are made to withstand the weight and explosion of the heaviest shells. This Line Wall is armed with guns of the largest caliber. Some are mounted on the parapet above, but the greater part are in the casemates below, so as to be near the level of the sea, and thus strike ships in the most vital part.

Of course every one is anxious to see the two big guns, each of which weighs 100 tons. But they are guarded with great care from the close inspection of strangers. They are so enormous that it is impossible to describe them so as to convey an idea of their immense proportions. The shot has to be lifted to the mouth of these guns by machinery, and a man could easily crawl into the bore. It was feared that the explosion would do something terrible, but the sound was nothing in proportion to the size. Everyone was surprised and many disappointed. Some of the sixty-eight-pounders are as ear-splitting as the 100-ton guns. One of these big guns is mounted within speaking distance of the house of the Major-General, which stands on the Line Wall, in answer to an inquiry as to what they did at the time of firing one of the ladies laughingly replied: "Oh, we don't mind it. We take down the mirrors, lay away the china and glass, throw open the windows and let the explosion come." This gun throws a ball weighing 2000 pounds over eight miles.

But these are not all the defenses. There are batteries in the rear of the town, as well as in front. These can be fired over the tops of the houses, so that if any enemy were to effect a landing he would have to fight his way at every step. As you climb the rock it fairly bristles with guns. You cannot turn to the right or to the left without seeing them; they are over your head and under you, and pointing directly at you.

The most interesting feature of Gibraltar is the rock galleries. It is owing to these that Gibraltar surpasses all other fortresses of Europe. They were begun more than a hundred years ago, during the great siege. Although the French and Spanish had none of the improved artillery of modern times, they managed to reach, with the smooth bore cannon and mortars, every part of the rock; and even the Rock gun, on the very pinnacle of Gibraltar, was twice dismounted. This convinced the English that their only shelter would be in the bowels of the earth, and therefore work was begun to blast out the long galleries. They are all on the northern side of the rock, and as this is the side that looks toward Spain they are intended to repel any advances against the fortress from that quarter.

At every dozen yards there is a large perforation, and at every hole heavy guns are mounted on carriages, by which they can be swung round to any quarter. The simultaneous discharge of these cannons is terrific, as the concussion against the walls of the rock is much greater than if they were fired in the open air. It is not often that this noise is heard, however. But there is one day in the year when the British lion roars good and loud, and that is the Queen's birthday.

The Rock gun from its exalted position on the highest point of the rock, 1400 feet in the air, gives the signal, which is immediately caught up by the galleries below, one after the other. The batteries along the sea answer to

those from the mountain side, and the mighty reverberations sweep around the bay, across the Mediterranean and far along the African shores. The noise is simply indescribable.

Is Gibraltar really impregnable? is a question that has often been asked, and one that has evoked differences of opinion from those capable of judging. Englishmen who are most familiar with its defenses say yes, and maintain with characteristic stubbornness that Gibraltar could not be taken by all the powers of Europe combined. On the other hand, the French and German engineers claim that there is no fortress that cannot be battered down. The new inventions of war and the tremendous force which the use of dynamite and nitro-glycerine gives to these new projectiles make every thing possible.

The object of the fortress of Gibraltar is to command the passage into the Mediterranean. The arms of Gibraltar are a castle and a key, to signify that it holds the key of the straits, and that no ship flying any other flag than that of England can enter or depart except by her permission.

But that power is already gone. The 100-ton gun of Gibraltar, even if aimed directly seaward, could not destroy or stop a passing fleet. To Africa, opposite Gibraltar, it is four-tenths miles, a distance that no ordinance in existence can possibly reach. A fleet of ironclads, hugging the African coast, would be safe from English fire if they were strong enough to encounter the English fleet. It is her fleet in which England places her utmost reliance, not in the fortress, for the fortress alone could not bar the passage into the Mediterranean. It would be a refuge in case of disaster where the English ships could find protection under the guns of the fort.

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# SELECT SIFTINGS.

**Louis XVI was an abominable glutton.**

The best brass band in Australia is composed of natives.

North Carolina has but 8702 foreigners out of a population of 1,617,380.

Camphor should not be placed next to furs, as it will make the color lighter.

Street bands are not permitted in Germany unless they accompany processions.

The central span of the St. Louis (Mo.) bridge is 520 feet, the side spans 515 feet each.

In an Oregon town there is an octogenarian who is an enthusiastic rider of the bicycle.

In Vienna, Austria, the organ grinders are allowed to play only between midday and sunset.

An elephant is fifty or sixty years in attaining maturity, and will live a century and a half.

If a snail's head be cut off and the animal placed in a cool, moist spot a new head will be grown.

In 1813 William Burton patented a locomotive that was provided with legs and feet behind to push the machine along the track.

Charles Barrow, of Columbus, Ohio, tells of an egg laid by a hen in his employ that measured seven and seven-eighths inches in length.

H. Pennel, of Wilkes, N. C., on his seventy-third birthday, recently celebrated, cut and shocked forty shocks of wheat from dinner time till night, and was still as fresh and active as a boy.

A Maine man, a resident of Rockland, says he had suffered two years from the after effects of the grip till he was struck by lightning the other day. Since then he has felt himself entirely well.

A Kalamazoo (Mich.) health officer took a tramp suffering from smallpox to the jail, growled because the jailer would not admit the prisoner and then exhibited the patient to an admiring crowd of citizens.

Two safe-crackers entered a Brooklyn store to operate on a safe that made a great show from the street. They were so disappointed when they found that it was a wooden box painted up that they departed, leaving their instruments behind them.

People in the middle ages believed in were-wolves as well as witches. Were-wolves were supposed to be men who, while preserving their appearance as human beings, were yet transformed into wolves, with an appetite which nothing but human flesh would satisfy.

Patrick O'Mahoney, of Oil City, Penn., threw a brick at a friend with the intention of knocking his head off. The friend escaped around the corner of a street, but stung by the missile, describing a parabolic curve, followed after him and cut off one of his coat tails as clean as a whistle.

**Extensive Production of Copper.**

This country produces more than half of the copper of the world. The metal comes from the Lake Superior region, from Montana and from new mines in Arizona. The Lake Superior mines alone yield metallic copper in large