## Medical and Surgical Journal of Her Majesty’s Convict Ship Providence between the 1st November 1825 and the 18th May 1826 during which time the said ship has been employed in a voyage from the Downs to Hobart Town, Van Diemen’s Land

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<td>Mary Cooper Æetat, 35 years A convict sentenced to be Transported for 7 years. She was first attackd by the disease in His Majesty’s Gaol of Newgate about Three months previous to her Embarkation for Van Diemen’s Land</td>
<td>Was admitted into the Sick-Report the Morning following her Embarkation labouring under a Pulmonic disease of some Months standing, and suffering at same time from Colliquative Diarrhoea. Respirations were short and increased on decumbiture from the fixed pains in the chest, attended with a troublesome Cough and Expectoration, which was occasionally tinged with Blood. Hectic Fever had assumed in its full character. to diminish the vascular action I had recourse to venæsection.- which was a second time repeated – Ipecacuanha in small and repeated doses was administered to maintain a nausea until the Pulse was lowerd which proved an expectorant. The Bowels were thoroughly opened by uniting Calomel with the nauseating doses. Took doses of Tincture Digitalis bis in die which Medicine was varied, and occasional small doses of Nitre – Conjoined with the extract of Hyoscyamus was prescribed to palliate the cough, which was exceedingly troublesome. Friction was made to the chest with Ungt. Antim. Tart: this treatment was chiefly attended to until the 1st December. Her voice became faint with general waste of Muscular energy. To support the system the former medicines were discontinued and doses of Astringent Bitters were prescribed – until the Night previous to her Death.- She was a determined Drunkard and as I have been informed by many of the Convicts that came from Newgate with her has been known to drink Seven Quarts of Porter, and even more than this in the course of a day. When in Prison its first attack was most likely of a Catarrhal modification originating from habitual irritation and repeated and neglected Inflammation.</td>
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<td>Died at Gravesend on 13th Decb’ 1825</td>
<td>Was received into the List the very day Embarkd with Diabetes Mellitus which presented every symptom characteristic of the disease. Had been in Newgate eight or ten months. – I objected to her &amp; Cooper’s being Embarkd from the nature of their complaints. The weakness and emaciation was progressively increasing: her appetite by account was excessive. Thirst considerable; her Tongue appear’d moist when I first saw it, though reported as being generally dry: her Bowels were costive. Pulse irregular.-</td>
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The disease as said to have been first occasion\textsuperscript{d} after a difficult Labour. If her account is to be credit\textsuperscript{d} she must have been in the habit of making from 16 to 24 pints of Urine each day and Night. – There was great local symptoms of pain in the Loins which she described as having been severe and at times, excessively acute. I ordered her an Emetic and a Purgative of Sabonuria \textit{(saponaria?)} Hydrarg. conjoined with a dose of Pulv Ipecacuanha Composita to be taken at Bedtime. I was resolv\textsuperscript{d} to give a trial to Dr Watt’s evacuand plan: opened a vein at the bend of the arm and took 16 ounces of Blood from a large orifice: order\textsuperscript{d} for her Diet, Meat, with an allowance of drink sufficient to allay though not to satiate her Thirst.-

Die 28\textsuperscript{th} –The abstraction of Blood appears to have afford\textsuperscript{d} relief. 20 ounces more were taken. Bowels still very confined. \textit{Repetatur, Pulv. Ipecacuanha Comp' Calomel ut Antia vespere.} Symptoms partially relieved: had but one motion from the Purgative. \textit{Habit Hora Somni. Ol. Ricini Z i aqua menthe Z ij M} Lime Water and Animal Diet continued.

Die. 29\textsuperscript{th} – Tongue clean. Bowels soluble, from the favourable change produced by the first and second Bleeding 18 oz more were taken. The improvement however on the whole is considerable. –

Die. 30\textsuperscript{th} Since the last report the thirst had increased and the Urine had become more abundant. 20. Ounces of Blood were again taken which exhibited some buffiness on the surface: in the Evening she eat very heartily of fat Meat which appear\textsuperscript{d} to disorder the Stomach. The Bowels kept regular by means of the \textit{Oleum Ricini}.— 8\textsuperscript{th} January 1826. This morning she complained of dizziness, and increased thirst: a \textit{Bolus of Calomel} was given which afford\textsuperscript{d} relief.-

Die 14\textsuperscript{th} Feels her spirits and strength greatly improv\textsuperscript{d}. Sleeps well. Thirst quite moderate though the tongue is white. Urine occasionally Saccharine, though not inmoderate in quantity. For several days past she has given her assistance to the Hospital attendants.

From this time she continued to improve – engaging in all duties required of her in the Hospital, under the use of occasional opening Medicines.-

She continued Convalescent and in a great measure was restored to her original health. After the elapse of 2 months from the date of last report she again complain\textsuperscript{d} of a return of her disease, it was in many respects different from the former. The symptoms were much less violent; the activity and languor were greater applied a Blister to the Sacrum as the irritability of the affected organ was connected with debility and relaxation.- \textit{Mistura Cinchona in die}. The Bowels were kept soluble by doses of \textit{Calomel unite} with a dose of compound powder of Ipecacuanha. I found the bark and the application of the Blister to be serviceable.

Although the complaint was not entirely removed when we arrived in Van Diemen’s Land, still she seldom had occasion to rise more than once in the Night. Her spirits and strength were greatly improved.–
| Ann Fieldgate  
Ætat, 38 years  
Admitted into the Sick List on 29th Nov. | Admitted into the Hospital with an Inflammatory enlargement of the Mammary Gland of the Right Breast. The enlargement was irregular and seemed to consist of one or more tumours. The cause of the swelling was produced by a fall when at Newgate. In this case the suppuration did not commence in one large circumscribed abscess, but in many separate sinususes all of which had a communication with each other.  
I first attempted resolution by following means. Topical Blood letting, Saline Cathartics, and supporting the Breast from a hanging posture: with the frequent application of compresses, moistened with a Lotion of Sal ammoniac.-  
The fourth day after her admission, matter was perceptibly forming externally in one of these points, applied an emollient Poultice which the Hospital attendant had orders to repeat frequently during the day. She was chiefly confined to a low Diet.  
Dec. 30th – The abscess being of a chronic nature and the fluctuation of matter only in one of them being quite sensible to the touch which as in some degree pointed. Opened the abscess in the most depending part, the matter discharged was great in quantity. *et continuantur Cataplasma emollient ut heri*  
From the surrounding hardness and the opening not showing a disposition to heal, I was induced to introduce a Probe fearfull a communication had formed – which proved as in general the case. Laid the sinuses freely open with a Disector and History, continued to apply Poultices until the cavity of the Abscesses began to fill up with healthy granulations, superficial dressings were then applied.  
Die 6th Dec’ There as some degree of induration around the base of the Abscess which was removed by use of the Camphorated Mercurial Ointment. In this case the cure was rather protracted and tedious. |
| Catherine Curran  
Ætat, 29 years  
Received into the Sick Report 29th Nov. | Weather has of late been wet, rain & unhealthy. Admitted labouring under some indistinct febrile symptoms, which were shortly succeed with a painful sense of constriction in the Throat, attended with Thirst, Headache, and a hoarse, loud Cough, also Difficulty of deglutition and respiration. The former presented upon examination a [.............] red colour and appear considerably swollen and turgid. Pulse quick, Tongue fur Belly confined, Took 24 ounces of Blood from the Arm, which induced Syncope. She was put to Bed and immediately after gave her a Powder composed of fifteen grams of *Ipecacuanha* and half a grain of *Tartaric of Antimony* which was orderd to be repeated every ten minutes till vomiting supervened. The third dose operatd freely as an Emetic. Without loss of time a large Blister was applied over the Larynx and external Throat and ten grams of *Calomel*, with two ounces of strong infusion of *Senna* containing three Drachms of Sulphat Magnesia was directed to be given her every hour, until copious stools should be procured. |
Discharged cured – 12th December 1825

Prescribed thin Gruel as her ordinary Drink and diet: the Calomel and Purgative Draughts were thrice repeated, when plentiful and frequent evacuations succeeded.

Die 30th – Though the symptoms were less violent by the means above adopted still I conceived that the disease wore a threatening aspect. She comp’d of a constant sense of stricture in the Larynx and every attempt to swallow was accompan’d with great distress. The muscle of deglutition and even those of the chest were thrown into some spasms. The Blood previously drawn exhibited a very inflammatory character. – I open’d another vein at the bend of the Arm and took away from a large orifice 35 ounces of Blood by measurement, when Syncope took place and continued for some time. Upon recovery she was evidently relieved, the respiration being comparatively free.

Administered a purgative of Calomel and Jalap which thoroughly freed the intestinal Canal. Remov’d the Blisters which caused a copious discharge of serum. Prescribed the Tartaric of Antimony in doses of ¼ of a gram every hour.

1st December. The patient passed a sleepless Night: respiration this morning is nearly natural; with an occasional hoarse loud Cough, which was accompanied with free expectoration. She has sweated profusely during the Night. Passed several Liquid Stools. Vomited twice & still remains sick from the influence of the Antimony.

Dress’d the Blister’d surface. Inflammatory appearance of the Throat fast subsiding and the deglutition much less painful and difficult.

Habeat pro dieta, Sago cum vinum rubrum.- et continentur medicamenta ut antea.

Die 6th – Much improved. Cough troublesome, still I consider her convalescent from this period, and under the use of the remedies she continued convalescent and in a few days was restored to her original Health.

Ann Robinson
Ætat 21 years

Atmosphere variable; cold and moist alternately.

Admitted into the Sick Report 1st December complaining of a sense of fullness in the Head, and of weight over the Eyes, which appear’d inflamed and Lachrymose, the Nostrils obstructed and issued forth a thick acrimonious ichor accompanied with frequent sneezing, hoarse voice, cough troublesome. Prescribed a Purgative of Calomel and Jalap and dilutent Drinks.

Die 2nd Had several liquid motions during the Night. Complain’d of a sense of oppression on the Chest accompanied with a fullness of the Head and the ordinary signs of Fever. Detrahentur Sanguis ad Z xxvii. [...] which brought on Syncope: as soon as she recover’d she express’d herself infinitely reliev’d

Habeat statim Mistura Sulphas Magnesia, infus. of Senna. pro dose purgans. order’d dilutent drinks as yesterday with an abstinence from Animal food. Habeat pro dieta Sago & Rice. Vespere. The purgative mixture administer’d in the morning operated freely: to palliate
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| Mary Collins | ÄEtat 29 years | Discharged cured on the 7th December | the Cough which as rather troublesome and to take off the irritation, administer an antimonial diaphoretic to be taken at Bed time.  
Die 3rd Passed a good Night, slept tolerably well, Bowels open, the Cough now only remaining as the sequel of the Catarrhal attack: administer in small doses the extract of Hyoscyamus which Med I found to have afford essential relief. From this period I consider her convalescent as in a few days she was discharged. |
| Mary Sullivan | ÄEtat 15 years | Admitted into the Sick List on 3rd December | Of a weakly and irritable constitution, was admitted a few days after her Embarkation into the Sick-Return, with an ulcer on the great Toe of the left Foot, of a sphacelated appearance and of a spreading nature.  
She had been a Patient in St George’s Hospital 6 months for a Cure of the same, and was discharged incurable having objected to the Toe being removed by Amputation: from that period until she committed the act |
for which she is Transported the ulcer from the neglect rapidly increased.

When in Newgate the sore was daily dress'd by the Surgeon of the Prison without the least improvement. The bottom of the Ulcer appeared smooth and glassy: the pus instead of being of a perfect kind, was thin and watery, and of a foul nature: as the ulcerative process had extended all around the Nail of the Toe until the second joint, the first step I made for the cure was to remove the nail – imagining that some degree of the existing irritation was produced by the Nail being suffer'd to remain on: I accordingly removed it and dressed the surface with stimulating applications: Lint moistened with Tincture Rhei, covered over with a pledget of soft dressing, applied a Bandage. I continued the stimulating applications for some weeks with very little benefit. From the foul and foetid discharge omitted my former treatment and applied cataplasms composed of Linseed Powder & Charcoal which diminished the Pain and correct'd the acrid discharge.

After this applied adhesive straps with the use of a Bandage which formed my plan of treatment and by a short and attentive continuance of the same I perfected a cure.

Jane Bricker
Ætat 22 years
Admitted into the Sick List 4th December

Was removed from York Castle and Embark'd in a most deplorable state of health. Had been eight or ten days on board before I was made in the least acquainted with the nature of her indisposition, when it was unknowingly communicated to me by one of her fellow Prisoners who came with her.

Had her removed into the Hospital, complain'd of nocturnal pains of her Legs, said she as otherwise very bad. Examin'd the Genitals and found several Chancres about the labia and clitoris; voice was hoarse and swallowing difficult: the fauces was considerably inflam'd & ulcerated. Countenance very sallow. Appetite impaired.

Directed a warm Bath to be prepar'd which she was placed into – in an hour or two subsequent commenced a gentle course of Mercury by friction and the constant use of the Pill Hydrarg. Morning & Evening: which was continued until the Gums were slightly affected – Kept up the Ptyalism for a month when the Mercurial Medicines were omitted. Touched the chancres with the Argent Nitrat. Just as the sores indicted. The ulcerated Fauces was touch'd with a solution of the Muriat of Mercury and the frequent use of Gargles – Applied Calomel and Lint, after Ptyalism was excited: the constitutional improvement gradually and speedily began to show itself. Flannel was given to her to wear next the skin. Her Diet was light and simple Sago, Rice, etc After the Sores were heal'd and other nocturnal complaints partially removed gave the Bark and Nitric Acid – with a more generous Diet until all Symptoms of the complaint was entirely removed. Bark & Acid continued until her constitution was perfectly renovated.
Ann Edwards
Ætat 19 years
Admitted into the Hospital 5th December

Discharged cured 15th December 1825

Of a fair complexion combined with a Scrofulous habit. Had her Face and Head scolded by an accident with a kettle of boiling water: her face appeared extensively inflamed order a fold of Calico soaked in the Spirit of Turpentine to be kept constantly applied with a view to prevent the formation of vesicles. Prescribed a Purgative of Mag. Sulphatis: shortly after her admission into the Hospital the irritation began to excite an increased action of the vessels near the part affected and gradually effused a Fluid under the cuticle which became elevated and detachd. I directed the Hospital attendants to puncture the vesicles immediately they formed having frequently experienced the bad effect arising from the serum being allowed to accumulate upon the skin beneath – extensive ulceration was invariably the result of such practice.

As soon as the Fluid was discharged applied a Liniment of wax & oil, with a small proportion of Saccharum Saturni to the scolded surface. The skin however ulcerated accompanying much pain and irritation: the Liniment discontinued etc applied a Cataplasm of Oatmeal with a proportion of the Extract of Coni which Poultice upon a third time being applied had the most beneficial effect and all the pain and Soreness was removed.

To suppress the growth of the exuberant granulations the ulcerated surface was dressed with an Ointment composed of the Ungt Resina Flava: cum Pulv. Hydrarg. Nitras Rubruci, and the use of a Bandage moderately applied constituted the whole of the treatment.

Mary Edwards
Ætat 20 years
Admitted into Sick Report 6th December

The wet and unsettled state of the weather this month (Dec’) has occasioned an increase of Catarrhal & Pleuritic affections.

Of a sanguineous temperament was admitted having been complaining for two or three days before of a Cough and great heaviness over the Eyes, accompanying some degree of oppression at the Precordia: there was great languor and anxiety: he feels severe muscular pains. Pulse was particularly quick & irregular: Tongue & skin were moist.

Open’d a vein at the Bend of the Arm and took away 32 ounces of Blood with the most desired effect: administered a smart Purgative of Jalap & Calomel which operated freely during the day.

Confined her to Bed and gave orders to the Hospital attendant to give her freely diluents Drinks. Vespere: continued to complain of cough & a sense of weight on the Chest. Prescribed an Emetic which afforded the best relief. At Bed time – gave a powder of Pulv. Ipecacuan. containing one grain of Calomel. Die 7th December. Slept well during the Night and had two liquid motions: said the sense of oppression was taken off.- The only complaint was debility. Bark was administered which she continued to take for several days, with occasional doses of purgative Medicine. Directed her to have a more generous diet, and to be removed on
Discharged cured
17th December 1825

Deck when the weather would admit, to inhale purer air.-
Dec 12th Free of complaint excepting the Cough, which
frequently remains as a sequel to the complaint long after
the other symptoms have disappear3. In this case I
continued the Bark, and gave Opium with the Extract of
Conti united, several Nights at Bed-time with the most
essential relief. I found in this case that the symptoms of
Cough did not prove any impediment to the use of the
Bark or augmented by the practice.

Charlotte Holland
Ætat 21 years
Admitted into the Sick List 19th Decr

Of a Robust habit. The Atmosphere was unsettled. Rains
were frequent & accompanied by cold winds at the time
she was admitted with symptoms of Bilious Diarrhoea,
unconnected with Fever: the Dejections were frequent,
copious and of a bright yellow. With a view of
[emulssing?] the Bilious forces of the Liver, and
correcting the irritation of the organ prescribed Calomel
grs xij. which moved the Bowels. Prepared the infusion of
Linseed and orderd it to be given her as a demulcent
drink, which was changd occasionally for Aqua Hordium
cum Pulv. Gum accasia (acacia?). conjoined. Habeat Hora
Somi Pulv. Ipecacuan. grs xv.- opii colat grs ij M
Pro dosi Pulv. –
Dec 11th December Repetatur Sub muriat Hydrarg et
continuentur omnia
Dec 12th. The motions less frequent, Prestet in a las, vespere. Two passages by the Belly since Morning.
Conf Ipecacuan. Hora Somni e opii
Dec 13th Belly almost natural, complains of a bad taste in
the Mouth and a slight soreness of the Gums: administerd
a Saline Cathartic; and after it had freely operated
omitted the use of Calomel & other medicines.
Prescribed the compound infusion of Gentian to be taken
three times in the day. This Medicine she continued to
take for a few days until she became convalescent.

Discharged cured
18th December 1825

Mary Ann Smith
Ætat 30 years
Of a weak and irritable habit was admittd 14th December,
complaining of wandering pains of the Shoulder &
Elbow-joints and surrounding Muscles. The Atmosphere
was unusually cold and damp. Fever [acuma?], accompaned
with clammy sweats, the skin felt tense and
hard attended with a sense of chillness creeping over the
Body: said she felt the pain more severely at Night. Pulse
was remarkably full with a vibrating [?oisy] throb,
conveying the idea of Inflammatory action – Tongue
white and coated. Bowels rather costive. The remarkable
prostration of strength in a frame otherwise very delicate
deterred me from having recourse from general
Bleeding. I therefore prefered Local Bleeding: as it was
Night I orderd a sudorific draught to be taken
immediately and a dose of purgative Pill to be taken
early the next Morning which I left with the Hospital
attendant –
Applied Sinapism to the painful joints
Dec 15th This morning she experienced some relief from
the remedies, but the joints of the Inferior extremities
began to take on, a similar action as the Superior. The
opening Pills which had produced their usual effect were
Discharge cured
31st December 1825

Repeated. Powders with Potass. nitrat were given three or four times in a day, together with Antimonials, and the joints affected rubbed with Ol. Camphor. This plan was followed in a few days with an alleviation of some of the symptoms but an aggravation of others. The joints of the Superior extremities grew better whilst those of the Inferior became worse: I found it necessary to exhibit an Opiate combined with an Antimonial at Night. The Powders were changed for a camphorated mixture, to which was added some Liq. Ammon. Acet.- given every fourth hour: a little more rest and cure was procur'd in consequence of this alteration. Following this plan for treatment my patient in the course of a week was convalescent, every symptom vanish'd except slight stiffness and occasional shootings in leg joints, which in another week or so left her: when she was discharged in perfect health.

James Bayliss
Child ætat 8 months
Admitted into the Hospital 14th December

Weakly. Was brought to me labouring under an edematosus intumescence of the Head accompanied with stupor and heaviness.

The disease made its attack insidiously as to escape the observation of the Mother till the increased bulk of the Head attract'd her attention.

I immediately commenced a Mercurial process by administering half a grain of Calomel, with a free use of Fomentations to the Head, with a solution of the acetate of Ammonia.

Dec 15th Continues in the same state of stupor. Cont'd the Calomel & fomentations as yesterday.

Dec 16th The symptoms aggravated and coma more fixed. Applied a Blister to the whole of the Sinciput which I ordered to be kept open: repeated the Calomel application of acetate of Ammonia.-

Dec 17th Breath had an offensive smell omitted the Calomel & continued the application to the Head as usual –Prescrib'd a Purgative of Rhubarb and Magnesia.

Dec 18th The sutures appear'd wide and the integuments considerably enlarged - Omitted the application to the Head – made a puncture with a Lancet when about 4 ounces of Fluid escaped, cover'd the orifice with a piece of adhesive Plaster and applied a Bandage to the Head.

Purgatives were occasionally prescribed until Die 8th Jan when the water again began to accumulate, which I evacuated by use of a second puncture. The operation did not succeed owing to the internal disorganization. Died at Midnight.

Ester Eyles
Ætat 28 years
Admitted into the Hospital 10th December

Of a spare habit, applied for relief – complaining of an obtuse pain of the Chest and a constant difficulty of respiration said be alleviated by an erect posture & accompanied by a troublesome Cough – Belly constipated. Pulse throb'd with uncommon strength and velocity. The atmosphere had been cold to a very unusual degree, said she had felt herself rather unwell for several days before. Annoy'd with a teasing Cough and slight pain of the Breast: she had flatter'd herself that the complaint was only a cold, and that it would go off
Discharged cured 21st December 1825

To diminish the Arterial action a vein as usual was open'd at the flexure of the Arm, and allowed to flow as I believed until the Pulse was subdu'd & respiration had receiv'd mark'd relief: this was not in any degree accomplish'd by the first Bleeding according to my expectation. Syncope having intervened at an early period: put her into Bed and plac'd her in a Horizontal posture, and in a few hours after as she complain'd much of her Breathing being impeded by pain, applied the Fillet again, and took from the same orifice 38 ounces of Blood which induced Nausea, and vertigo.-

Respiration was comparatively free from pain or difficulty: administered a purgative of Calomel & Antimonial Powder, et applicator Emplast Lytæ ad Pectori.

Die 11th. Had three stools in the course of the Night, is considerably better: remov'd the Blister which discharged a quantity of Serum. Exhibited a Saline Cathartic—Vespere. continues improving, had three motions from the Purgative Draught—

Hora Somni, capiat. mist. Diaph.

Die 12th Slept well & freely perspired during the Night. This Morning her only complaint was a teasing Cough which was soon appeas'd by the usual Cough mixture, and in a few days she became completely convalescent, and was shortly after discharg'd free of complaint.

Mary Collins Ætat 29 years

Of an irritable constitution was admitted on the 17th December, with several Ulcers on the Right Leg, occupying the whole anterior Spine of the Tibia: said to have been occasioned by a Kick 6 month previous to her Embarkation. prior to her imprisonment led a life of Prostitution: the Ulcers were of an irritable and mixed nature attend'd with some specific actions of the Constitution. The surrounding Integuments were considerably inflamed and of a livid color. The Leg was swollen to a great degree, the bottom of the Ulcers being made up with Concasities, in some there was not the least [sistered?] appearance of granulations, but a whitish spongy substance cover'd with a thin ichorous discharge. Made several Punctures with a Lancet: the Limb bled freely, which abated the Inflammation. Touch'd the Ulcers with a solution of Argent: Nitrat. and cover'd the sores with a pledget of mild unirritating ointment. order'd compresses and a Bandage moistened in a solution of the Liq. Plumbio Acetat. to be constantly applied.

Gave her a Saline Cathartic with the Infus. Senna which mixture she took every second day until inflammation was subsided and the sores put on a healthy appearance. Puncturing the Limb in several places was repeatedly had recourse to with astonishing successes: the dressing and Liquid applications were changed according as the surface of the Ulcers look'd at the time of dressing each Morning.

The cure was rather tedious, and difficult to heal in consequence of the Ulcers being situated immediately over the Periosteum of the Anterior surface of the Tibia, which kept up the constitutional irritation.-
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<td>4th March 1826</td>
<td>She was 2 months under my care before I could with any propriety apply the adhesive straps &amp; when in the short space of a Fortnight a cure was accomplished.</td>
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| Susannah Cook      | Äetat 29 years | Of a vigorous and athletic make, was admitted on the evening of the 18th December with acute pain of the chest increased during inspiration: difficulty of lying on one side. Pulse was hard & attendant with a short dry distressing Cough. The first symptoms of the complaint commenced two days ago, with a cold sensation, and shivering, which was shortly succeeded by heat and restlessness and a degree of pain above the false Ribs resembling what is commonly called a Stitch. As the symptoms were singularly violent I withdrew immediately a large Bleeding in a Hand–Basin.– There could not be less than 42 ounces: She fainted and remained in that state for some time.– applied stimulories (sic) to the Nose: upon her recovery she expressed herself relieved by the Bleeding. It produced a mitigation of the most urgent symptoms.  

**Habeat. Statim. Pulv. Jalapi. ♀. Calomel grs xij. 44 pro dosi:** and left a Saline Cathartic with the attendant to be given her at the early hour next Morning. 

Die 19th Pass'd a tolerable Night, was freely purged: complains still of a slight pain in the side, accompan'd with some difficulty of breathing. Applied a Fillet on the left Arm and took away 32 ounces of Blood, when the Pulse began to sink, she express'd herself free of complaint. **Repetatur. Pulv. Jalapi e Calomel ut heri, et applicator Emplast Visicatori ad part. dolent. - vespere.** had two or three motions in the course of the day. **Habeat Hora Somni. Solutis Antimonial Tart. Zvi which was taken at stated periods. Removed the Blister and dress'd the surface with Ungt. Resina Flava.** 

Die 20th Improving – complains of nothing but a cough which excited great uneasiness. 

Prescribed the mixture [Cataei?] cum Tinc. Digitalis pro Tussis on the 9th day from this she was convalescent and from the last report she took occasional doses of purgative Medicines. Her Diet was now changed to a more nutritious one. Preserved meat and Soup etc. |
| Discharged cured   | 1st January 1826 | Complexion dark and of a full habit, had been unwell for several days complaining of a soreness of the Chest, and a Tickling Cough by Night which disturb'd her rest. These symptoms gradually increased, the pain became acute and respiration laborious. Bowels confined. Pulse hard and irregular. I prescribed the same parallel treatment in this case as in the above, the depletion was not so great although more frequent: not being at any time able to mitigate the arterial action before Syncope supervened. Blistering the side after the Bleedings prov'd beneficial. 

Diluents and Diaphoretics with a Diet suitable to the changes and amendment of the complaint constituted the plan of treatment. 

**Admitted on the 20th December** 

Convalescent on the 5th January. |
| Mary Smith         | Ätat 18 years  | Discharged cured 9th January 1826 | Complexion dark and of a full habit, had been unwell for several days complaining of a soreness of the Chest, and a Tickling Cough by Night which disturb'd her rest. These symptoms gradually increased, the pain became acute and respiration laborious. Bowels confined. Pulse hard and irregular. I prescribed the same parallel treatment in this case as in the above, the depletion was not so great although more frequent: not being at any time able to mitigate the arterial action before Syncope supervened. Blistering the side after the Bleedings prov'd beneficial. 

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**Admitted on the 20th December** 

Convalescent on the 5th January.
Mary Parker
Ætat 23 years

Short statue; dark complexion. was admitted into the Sick List on 29th of December, suffering from excessive pain in the Hepatic Region, extending to the parts in its vicinity. Pulse was frequent strong and hard, accompanied with a short dry cough. Urine was said to be high colour’d. Bowels confined. Soon after admission Bled her largely, which brought on fainting attended with Nausea. Prescribed a Purgative of Calomel which was followed by a Saline Cathartic 4 hours after. The Calomel and Salts operated copiously. At noon still complain’d of pains accompani’d with febrile actions notwithstanding the freedom with which the Bowels were emptied, removed the Bandage from the Arm, and applied the Fillet again. The Blood began shortly to escape from the orifice; which I allow’d to flow until Syncope was superinduced. The powerful impression which the Bleeding produced on the Sanguineous system was immediate, and the relief afforded was express’d by the Patient as soon as she recovered. Prescrib’d


Die 30th – Pass’d a tolerably quiet Night, was freely purged this Morning feels considerably better: still complains of pain in Right Side. Cough dry and troublesome. Bled her again to the extent of 17 ounces – applied a large Blister to the Hypogastric Region. At Bed time remov’d the Blister which rose & discharged an immense quantity of serum. dress’d the Blister with the Ung’ Cetacei et Habeat Statim. Calomel grs x Pulv. Antimonialis grs vij. M pro dosi.

Die 31st   Was several times purged in the course of the Night, says she feels herself more comfortable, and experiences but now and then pain which she compares to what is frequently called a Stitch. The Calomel & Antimonial powder exhibited last Night seem’d to have caused some degree of irritation in the Bowels omitted Pulv. Antimonialis, and combined Opium with the Calomel to allay the Cough, which was very distressing of a Night & prevented sleep. administer’d the Calomel.

Die 1st Jan’y 1826 Improving: pain still felt in side and shoulder. Omitted the Calomel and prescribed the Pill Hydrarg bis in die cum Pill opii. Hora Somni From this time I commenced the Mercurial course and steadily preserved it by friction and the Pill taken internally until a Salivation was excited. When the system began to be tolerated, a salutary change was the immediate result.

The soreness and tension gradually and insensibly improved under it. The Cough diminish’d and the Pulse became lowered while the Heat and dryness of the skin yielded to a pleasant moisture: Cooling diluents & even acidulated drink was taken copiously: Diet consisted of light (f)arineceous food. Sago, Barly, Rice etc

Die 2nd As the former symptoms of Pain, tension and soreness of the Right Hepagastric Region were removed and her complaint being now debility, a Tonic Regimen was ordered. She took the compound Infis. of Gentian three or four times in the course of the day, was put upon a more generous diet with an allowance of wine.
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<td>30th Decr</td>
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<td>Of a dark complexion and a robust habit was admitted with incidental symptoms of scurvy. Gums were spongy and bled freely when touched, her breath was fetid and several parts of the body evinced a pale bloated appearance, accompanied with a degree of diminished energy in the muscular fibres and with a disinclination to motion. Administered lemon juice united with doses of potass nitritatis purificatus as an anti-scorbutic. The disease under the use of this totally disappeared. Admitted on 30th December.</td>
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<td>Ann Collingwood</td>
<td>18 years</td>
<td>Same as last case</td>
<td>9th Janr 1826</td>
<td>Fair-complexion, was brought into this hospital, with the same affection as Mary Bayliss: her health was restored in a short space of 10 days, by strictly observing to take the anti-scorbutic mixture which she did with the most marked advantage as above Mary Bayliss. Admitted on the same day as the last case.</td>
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<td>Margt Hill</td>
<td>36 years</td>
<td>2nd Janr 1826</td>
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<td>Dark complexion was brought into the hospital in a state of insensibility having received a blow over the right temple by the purchase - block giving way from the fore-rigging. The scalp was unequally lacerated to the distance of 4 or 5 inches but not detached to any extent below the edge of the wound: had her head shaved and dressed the wound with adhesive dressings: applied a compress and the use of a double-headed roller. Bled her to the amount of 28 ounces of blood which was a second time repeated. Took a saline cathartic which freely evacuated the bowels. Her diet was chiefly gruel and sago &amp; alternately barley-water acidulated with lemon - juice as given her for beverage. Strictly observing the antiphlogistic regimen, enabled me to discharge her a fortnight after her admission.</td>
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<td>Mary Burke</td>
<td>27 years</td>
<td>Same as last case</td>
<td>5th January 1826</td>
<td>Of a very gross habit of body. Got out of bed this morning in good health. About 10 o’clock was suddenly seized with acute pain in the abdomen which [never?] went off, and head-ach with pain in the loins instantly experienced. Face flushed: heat of body rather above its natural standard. Tongue clear – pulse hard and frequent. Bled her to 36 ounces when syncope came on, with slight convulsions, followed by vomiting from which she experienced relief. At 7 PM head-ach returning, blood drawn showed no degree of inflammation. Took away 18 ounces of blood, in which I succeeded with some difficulty on account of the smallness of the veins and the patient’s obesity: this relieved the head-ach, but the pain in the abdomen recurred with some vomiting. <em>Capiat Hora Somni Calomel grs x. Pulv. Antimonialis grs vi et opii puri grs fs in four Pilul.</em></td>
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In the course of five weeks from commencement of her complaint she was restored to perfect health.
Discharged cured 5th Feb 1826

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Sarah Hutchings Ætat 33 years
Admitted 11th Jan 1826

Of a [Hearty/Healthy?] complexion & full Habit. Catamenia Regular: was last Night seized with violent pains in the Abdomen said to have been immediately followed by purging, which has now left her – complains of severe Head-ach, great weakness and pain of the Back, and Limbs. Tongue dry & white, little heat of surface. Pulse 98 and small.

Took 26 ounces of Blood from the Arm at a large orifice which caus’d Syncope follow’d by vomiting. Habeat Hora Somni Calomel grs x. Pulv. Antimonialis grs vi pro dosi.

Die 12th Vomited much last Night after I left her, which was assisted by copious draughts of tepid water given by Hospital attendant. Pass’d a tolerably good Night, perspiring freely for a short time. The Calomel has not produced any evacuations from the Bowels. Skin soft and moist. Tongue clean, not much Head-ach or general uneasiness. Capiat Statim Magnes. Sulphas. Zifs.

Die 13th Got up yesterday contrary to my orders feeling almost well. Salts operated fully. Prescribed


Die 7th. Much better this Morning Physic operated well during the Night. Evacuations clay-colour’d. Less pain every where. Skin rather warm – Perspired freely and got some sleep during the Night and this Morning – Pulse small, quick, and a little hard. order’d a cool regimen with a dose of Calomel & Jalap to be given tomorrow Morning. Die 9th Some degree of irritability of stomach. Has dejected by vomiting the calomel & Jalap powders. Eight grains of Calomel & four of Antimonial powder, with half a grain of opium, were combined and given to her last Night, and retained. Produc’d three copious stools, of bad colour and very fetid, complains of being cold. Some heat of surface. Had some slight shivering in the Morning[....] not make much complaint. Pulse quick & sharp. Tongue clean & reddish, some sore Throat & Gums swelling – The Mercury seems to be taking effect on the constitution.


Die 23rd Since last report has been much salivated and unable to give any account of her complaints. She now says that as soon as her throat & Tongue swell all the uneasy symptoms left her and she had no pain any where but in the Mouth: whenever she could swallow any thing I gave her repeated doses of strong Infus. Senna. as a means of keeping her Bowels open.- She had passage frequently. Her recovery was immediate after the swelling of the Fauces subsided.
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**Discharged cured**

2nd February 1826

*Calomel grs vi Pulv. Antimonialis grs iv* to be taken at bed-time: slept well. Bowels free; some pain in the back and at times with Head-ach. Administered a Teaspoonful of *Aq. Ammon Acet.* and left orders with the attendant to repeat it every three hours. At 3 o’clock PM. complained of pain in the Right-side: increased on attempting to cough or on taking a full inspiration. Pulse small and sharp. Took from the Arm by a large orifice 32 ounce of Blood which completely removed the affection of the Right side. desired an ounce of Salts to be dissolved in 6 ounces of water and given her at an early hour next Morning.

Die 14th. Had a good Night. Salts have not yet operated. Slight Head-ach: no pain in the Right-side. Skin a little warmer than natural. Pulse regular. *Habeat Statim Calomel grs viij. Pulv. Antimonialis grs iv pro dosi* – which I propose to repeat next morning if the Bowels were not freely opened.

Die 15th. Much better had several evacuations from the Bowels, skin pliable and cover’d with a gentle perspiration. Head-ach not quite gone: no recurrence of pain in the Back, Side or Limbs.

*Habeat Statim Sulphas Magnes. Zifs*

Die 16th. Salts operated strongly. Skin cool but dry: more Head-ach and wandering pain in the Limbs. Fixed pain in the Back said not to be severe. Pulse, small, quick & hard. Blood formerly drawn not the least appearance of Inflammation. Bled her to 16 ounces upon which she felt completely relieved. This Blood showed some Buff and was cupped. At 3 PM on account of the appearance of the Blood I abstracted 16 ounces more from the same orifice- which caused fainting. This however soon went off. At 6 PM as quite cheerful and free by account of all complaints. Skin cool & natural. Pulse regular and soft. Blood cupped but not Buffy –

Die 18th. Has now no fever, able to sit up and go about. Tongue clean and Functions regular. Convalescent. Bark & Wine was prescribed with a more generous diet. Preserved Meat & Soup etc.

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Louisa Johnson

Ætat 14 Months

The family removed from Chatham to Woolwich for Embarkation. The child was at the time in a convalescent state from the Measles. Weather was unseasonably wet, raw & cold.

A few days after the family had Embarked I was requested to visit the child, which I found to be labouring under strong symptoms of Pneumonial Inflammation, the result of too soon a removal and exposure to cold. Eyes inflamed. Cough troublesome and peculiarly distressing & obstinate: chest appeared to be heavily loaded, and Breathing laborious.

From the nature of the complaint as led to imagine the Measles had not been through their proper course at the time of the child’s removal.

As the child was evidently of a weakly constitution depletion by the Lancet was defer’d in consequence of the reduced strength of the child: the capillary vessels were also too debilitated for increased action.
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<td>Mary Ann Dark</td>
<td>49 years</td>
<td>Abdominal pain, feverish symptoms, urine passage difficulty, treated with cathartic and warm fomentations, discharged cured.</td>
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Died 3rd day of February 1826

- Died 20th

- Had three motions in the course of the Night: remov’d the Blister which discharged a quantity of Serum – Skin felt dry & Hot: as a refrigerant administer’d in small doses Potass Nitritatis Purificata conjoined with Antimonial Wine: to alleviate the Cough prescribe demulcent medicines. This treatment was persever’d in for some considerable time when the former symptoms assum’d an unfavourable change. Debitility extreme and the vascular action too weak to accomplish expectoration.
- Skin hot and cold alternately: refused all fluids, breathing was quick, accompan’d with great obstruction, and as the child cough’d a weasing noise was plainly discovered as if water was effuse’d into the cellular texture of the Lungs. The Eyes and cheeks appear’d slightly inflam’d. Pulse small & weak and often intermitting. Capiat Tincture Scillæ cum Lac ammoniac ter in die vel pro Renata. She continued in this state for several days, when Diarrhoea superinvend and the complaint terminated in Death. |
Discharged cured 11th Jan' 1826

introduced the Catheter but only a few drops of urine tinged with Blood, was discharged. The fomentations were ordered to be repeated frequently and an Enema containing Tinct. Opii gtt. xx to be thrown up at Bed-time. Linseed tea was prepared which she was desired to drink freely of.

Prescribed a powder consisting of Potass. Nitratis Purificati.- Acacia Gummi a gr x M. 4 tia q.q. hora sumendus in dies.

Die 21st. The Patient in same state, not being entirely satisfied with regard to the state of the Bladder as it appeared to me possible that the Catheter might not have reached it owing to some accident or peculiarity of conformation, I again introduced it and was perfectly assured that it had entered the Bladder. Still no Urine followed. Her Pulse was 94, and she complained of much Thirst and dull pain through the whole Belly and Back. I was now determined to try the effects of moderate Bleeding. Fluat Extemplo Sanguis ad Zxx. She seemed somewhat by the operation, and the Blood was slightly sizy. Continuentur medicamenta and a warm Bath to be applied for half an hour in the Evening. Dieta six jusculum [Tinned?], Sago et Ag Hordie.

Die 22nd I found her considerably easier: repeated the Castor Oil which produced many copious stools during the day with much relief to the distension of the Abdomen, but still no Urine had been passed. Iterum fluat Sanguis ad Zxij et applicatur futs abdomini ubi [duro?] dolor. Substituted Potassæ Superrtratis pro Potassæ Nitratis Purificatæ –

Die 23rd. Little change, if any difference she appears rather easier the Blood drawn had assum’d a thick Buffy coat, the medicines and warm Bath were continued ut heri, and Zx of Ol. Ricini was taken.

Die 24th. Symptoms still continuing, Zxiii were taken from the Arm – which produced considerable relief, the Castor Oil had the same effect as formerly in producing a copious watery discharge but no Urine had appeared all the remedies were continued.

Die 27th. Much better. A little Urine had been passed while in the warm Bath last Evening, and a few hours afterwards from three to four ounces were passed spontaneously. It was of a natural appearance but rather high colour. The Pulse was now 85, and the feverish symptoms much abated, from this time she continued to improve and the quantity of Urine gradually increased and the Diuretic Laxatives and warm Bathing were continued and in the course of eight or ten days she was restored to a perfect state of convalescence.

Elizabeth North Ætat 25 years
Admitted into the Sick Report on the 19th January 1826

For several days felt herself rather indispos’d with griping pain of the Abdomen and frequent desire to go to Stool.

Like many who indulge in an overweening confidence on powers and habits of health she flatter’d herself that the disease would go off.

This Morning [20th] she was admit’d complaining of severe Tormina Tenesmus, the dejections were frequent accompanied with a want of appetite, and a sense of
pressure in the Right Hypochondria. I attribute the complaint to have been caused by the sudden and rapid change in the Atmosphere from Heat to moisture. The Fever that accompanied the disease was considerable with a full and hard Pulse indicating an inflammatory Diathesis. Bled her freely to the extent of 26 ounces which infinitely diminished in a great degree the symptoms. Prescribed a Saline Cathartic which she took immediately applied a Flannel roller to the Abdomen, in the afternoon symptoms of pain and tension of the Abdomen returned with slight Head-ach. Bled her a second time to the extent of 32 ounces which brought on Syncope. This bleeding moderated the local pain of the Abdomen and was said to have diminished the severity of the griping. Ordered demulcent drinks to be passed up on her by the Hospital Attendants which I hold to be of much moment in this complaint.

A purgative of Calomel combined with Antimonial Powder was given her at Bed-time. When I had fully evacuated the Prime Via my next indication was to restore the natural secretions, for this purpose I administered the Pulv. Ipecacuan. Compositis whenever Tormina or straining returned. A cathartic was given in the Morning followed by a large dose of Opium at Bed-time. Having taken these preliminary steps and having an idea of an occult connexion between this complaint and a morbid state of the Liver. I immediately feeling this impression commenced the use of Calomel in doses of 10 Grains, Night & Morning, assisted by Mercurial friction and continued it undeviatingly till salivation. Instead of increasing Tormina or Tenesmus as I have seen more than once, on the contrary it lessened both very materially. Motions are voided with less straining and less tinged with Blood. When the Gums were fairly sore with Ptyalism omitted the Calomel. Tormina Tenesmus and general Fever disappeared and Bowels daily returned to their natural state: during the days of convalescence, Tronic medicines and a change of Diet with Wine was given her as soon as her mouth was well she was discharged.

For many years has been a cripple from contraction of the Joints occasioned by severe Rheumatism. Received her into the Hospital complaining of pains which she said affected successively every joint and deprived her of all rest. Both her Arms and Legs were nearly powerless, insomuch as to render her extremely low-spirited. The heat of skin was temperate, Tongue moist and slightly furry. Prescribed a purgative consisting of extract Colocynth and Pulv. Antimonialis, and used camphorated friction to the pained joints which was occasionally changed and the application of [Beise/Beire?] substituted. The Bowels were in the course of the day freely evacuated, and at Bed-time exhibited a dose of Guaiaci Resina cum olei Terebinthina: applied Flannel Rollers to the extremities.

Continuantur frictii et Persistet in [olit/olim?] By purgatives etc she was in a few days considerable relieved but though the other symptoms were generally abating the pulse could not be got under. Believing the cause of the complaint to be now more peculiarly owing to some derangement of the Stomach I gave an Antimonial Emetic. She was subject to an habitual Diarrhoea.

The Emetic operated with some severity. She succeeded however in discharging an immense quantity of viscous, opake phlegm and nearly at the same time pass'd several copious Stools, most foal and fœtid, although she had been freely purg'd for a week almost every day.

The Stools I did not see as their intolerable fœtor requir'd them to be speedily remov'd. The effect of this evacuation from the Stomach and Intestinal Canal was apparently instantaneous, on that Night she slept profoundly, and was next Morning free from pain with a pulse full soft and regular. By correspond. treatment successive returns of the complaint was speedily relieved, and her health became materially improv'd.

Even the disease and crippled state of the joints were eventually much amended as to increase her powers both of Loco-motion and of personal exertion of any kind, was again admitted April 4th when in Lat 35.45 S and Long . The Atmosphere had been for several days very cold and changeable attended with hard and frequent showers of Hail and Rain – Thermometer 54°. The digestive organs were disturbed. The system was weak and emaciated: her mind seemed greatly depress'd countenance without animation, clouded and desponding with general derangement of the mental faculties and incoherent Language. Face was pale and ghastly/ghostly? and strongly expressive of increase'd action. Her speech was hurried and tremulous. The skin which was hot and dry was direct'd to be spong'd with vinegar and water at frequent periods. gave her at Bed-time a purgative of Calomel cum Pulv. Antimonialis.-

Die 5th Great delirium and a wild staring look in the Eyes: was much purg'd. Shav'd the Head and subject'd her to the cold affusion. Post afferationem applicatum Emplast Visicatorium ad capiti: directed a table-spoon or two of the Mist. Createa of the L.P. and fifteen drops of Acidi Sulphurici diluti to be given three times a day.

Die 6th Symptoms aggravated and the state of coma more fixed: purges much and has a very pale cadaverous look. About XL drops of Laudanum were added to an ounce & a half mixture of the Cretacia(sic) with a little of the aromatic confection and of this three or four table-spoons fulls were directed to be given three or four times a day, continued the acid as before no particular effect produced by the affusion.

Die 8th Is not quite so much purged this morning: same appearance of countenance. Applicatur visicatorum occipiti continue the other medicines.-

Die 10th Seems rather more compos'd & [distin'] this morning and was able to communicate that she slept some in the Night. Purging moderated – cont. Medicamenta ut heri.

Die 20th The purging is moderated. Seems a good
Discharged cured 16th March 1826

Elizabeth Stenson Ætat 16 years

Of a very delicate habit but in pretty good health had experienced about 13 months ago an obstruction of the Menses in consequence of cold: from that time her health gradually declined and she became languid & weak. January 27th 1826. Made her complaint known. At this time she complained of pain in the Left side and occasionally a short, dry, Cough, her appetite was impair’d and accompanied with considerable Emaciation: she had occasional fits of coughing which recurred at uncertain intervals but generally with violence at Night and Morning.

She had scarcely any expectoration, little Thirst. Pulse 120. Bowels regular – Countenance and Lips very pale – Their(sic) has not been the slightest appearance of a return of the Menses since their first suppression. Applied a Blister immediately to the pained part which was kept open: prescribed a purgative Pill of the Extract of Colocynth assist’d with a dose of Infus. of Senna, Solut. of Sulphas Mag’ which emptied the Bowels. order’d her Feet to be immers’d in warm water every night.

Die 28th. Rested tolerably well during the Night: my indication for the cure of the complaint was directed to give strength and activity to the circulation by the use of Tonics and cold Bathing and occasionally exhibiting stimulants. Guaiacum and Olei Terebinthæ in conjunction with the Tonic plan – Friction was repeatedly made to the Hypogastric and Lumbar Regions – The pain of the side was removed by the Blister and it was healed up.

The above treatment was continued about 14 days. when her pulse was diminished to 85 her appetite improved and her countenance looked better.

February 10th. During the Night the first appearance of menstruation commenc’d and the efflux continued eight days – After this she enjoy’d a perfect state of good health and the catamenial secretions has ever since been regular.

Julia Mills Ætat 17 years

Catamenia. Regular. Admitted into the Sick Report on 29th January. Had for some days past experienced pain in the Forehead between the Eyes. Is sick on rising from Bed which soon after goes off: has an unpleasant taste in the Mouth and some pain in the Breast. Pulse slow, labouring, and rather full. Bled her to 32 ounces from a large orifice which caused considerable fainting and some vomiting – suspicions of Fever.

Die 30th. The Fever is now showing itself, great pain in the Forehead and in the Breast under the sternum.
Breathes quick and laborious. No Thirst, nor great heat of surface. Skin dry. Pulse quick, small, and hard. Bled her to 36 ounces when fainting supervened.


Die 31st. Slept a little last Night, some Head-ach but no pain in the Breast – said to have great pain in the small of the Back with a very distressing sense of weight on her Head. Skin cool – No Thirst. Pulse small and incompressible. Blood drawn yesterday is slightly inflammatory. Bled her to 28 ounces which brought on fainting but no Syncope. Surface was covered with a cold and clammy sweat – ordered some warm gruel which caused a profuse perspiration. She then grew cheerful and gratefully expressed herself as being quite well.


1st February. Slept well has little Head-ach and is otherwise free of pain. No Thirst. No heat of surface. Pulse Regular and very compressible. Belly rather slow. *Habeat statim Calomel grs vi Pulv. Jalap. Comp. grs xxv.* After this report she required no further treatment. Than taking occasionally a dose of calomel and Jalap, till health was perfectly restored.

Catherine Curran
Æetat 29 years

Catamenia Regular. Is of a healthy habit of body. Was admitted into the Sick List on the 28th January complaining of Head-ach; especially about the [Fontanelle?] and Temples: on her being first seized felt a considerable degree of pain in the back, which soon went off and has not returned – Skin cool, Pulse low and weak – but sharp and incompressible.

Open’d a vein, and allowed the Blood to flow till she was completely relieved Head-ach going away gradually and continuing longest in the Right temple. Bore the abstraction of 40 ounces without fainting. After Tying up the Arm Syncope supervened. Recover’d very quickly on lying down. *Capiat Hora Somni Calomel grs viii. Pulv. Antimonialis grs iv.*

Die 29th Did not sleep well, had no pain but was very uneasy. Has no complaint. Pulse still slow and hard. Blood abstracted yesterday has a slight bluish Membrane covering the crassamentium. Serum turbid – No motion: took the Infus. of Senna immediately. At eight o’clock P.M. the Senna had procur’d only one evacuation. Head-ach severe since afternoon. Pain in the Loins very distressing: some giddiness: Tongue clean. Pulse hard – Open’d the Temporal Artery which bled freely to the extent of 16 or 17 ounces and with the most beneficial effect. This Bleeding greatly ameliorated the Head-ach. Prescrib’d a purgative of Calomel and Antimony.

Die 30th Slept tolerably well, little relief from the Bowels. Head-ach and pain of Back continues. Bled her to 24 ounces which caus’d some vomiting. Took a
Discharged cured
16th February 1826

Purgative mixture of the *Infus. of Senna cum Solut. Sulphas Magnes. M.* At 7 P.M. complain'd of much pressure about the Precordia, has had but two motions from the purgatives, neither of them free. Blood still Buffy Pulse as before. Bled her to 20 ounces. Shav’d the Head and had cold applications, gave her a Pil of Extract Colocynth.

Die 31st Took half an ounce of Sulphas Magnes this morning which caused several loose stools during the day of a natural appearance.

At 7 P.M. Head-ach worse. Eyes painful and slightly intolerant of Light. Pupils not contract'd more than usual. Skin pretty cool – Pulse low and sharp. open'd the Temporal Artery which bled profusely and instantly reliev’d the Head and Eyes. A Tea spoonful of the *Aq. Ammon. Acet.* was given her and was to be repeated every three hours.

1st February. Had some sleep in the first part of the Night. About 12 o’clock was seized with a violent pain in the left Shoulder which soon went off and had some slight return of Head-ach – Had a Stool in the Night said to have been whitish and very loose: most pain the Right-side of the Head.- Open’d a vein at the Bend of the Arm and took away about Eighteen ounces of Blood which caused Syncope – upon recovering from which she was coverd with a full and gentle perspiration. The pulse now fuller and soft. *Capt. Aq Ammon. Acet.*

Applied a Blister to the [.......?] Bowels very open but evacuations of a bad colour. *Capt Calomel grs vi Pulv. Jalapi grs xxv M.*

Die 2nd Physic is operating pain of Head and Eyes reliev’d *Cont. Aq. Ammon Acet.*

Die 5th Since last report she has been gradually recovering: sleeps well: no pains in the Head, Skin moist. Pulse Regular and is able to sit up in Bed and growing convalescent.

This Patient’s recovery was remarkably quick after she was able to go about.

The weather at the time of admitting several of the last cases was varied and unsettled. Sometimes being a close and damp Atmosphere, others Rain and wet to Excess with bright intervals of almost intolerable heat.

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Rebecca Chedle
Ætat 20 years
Admitted 4th February

Discharged cured
15th February 1826

Catamenia regular. Habit rather full was attended with Fever yesterday, Every Leading symptoms, violent Headach, Pulse full, face flushed, pains, Bowels confined, Tongue foul.

*Detraheuntur Sanguis ad Z xxiij Capiat mistura Purgans Z ij Qda q.q. hora donec, alvus sit solus sit. ut baln tepid – vespere: Loose stools, from the purgative. Symptoms partially relieved. Head-ach still continues but not so severe. Pulse rather full.*

*Detraheuntur Sanguis ad Z xx applic. Visicat. Capiti et Injic enema Purgans.*

Die 7th Head-ach entirely gone copious alvine evacuations, Skin cool, considerable remission.

*Habit Mistura Cinchona Zij M in dies.* The Bark was given for few days in the remission and she was shortly discharged.
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| Susannah Cook         | 29        | Of a full habit, sanguine Temperament – was attacked last Night with the usual Symptoms of Fever and admitted into the Hospital this Morning with violent head-ach and Eyes red, face flushed, Tongue foul – Stomach was said to be painful on pressure. Skin dry, Bowels costive, Pains of Limbs and Loins.  

*Detrahentur Sanguis ad Z LX*

*R. Calomel grs x*

*Pulv. Jalapi ai ft*

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| Elizabeth Smith       | 57                  | Of a delicate habit of Body. has been for several days past affect'd much with some distressing family affairs; accompan'd with considerable anxiety and depression of spirits about the recovery of her Daughters who are now labouring under an attack of Fever attend'd with Mental derangement. She had been previously in good health but in the process of a Fortnight's time her appetite became seriously impair'd her nights sleepless and when she did sleep, she was not refresh'd by it. Her Face became visibly extenuated. Tongue white. Bowels were sluggish.  

In the passage of the disease I found that by exhibiting Medicine, little was accomplished consequently my treatment was direct'd to meet the constitutional debility by the free use of Tonics, Cordials, and a generous Diet, when I had occasions to give Aperients.- Rhubarb was administered, This treatment was continued for the space of five weeks –  

At this time Emaciation with its accompanying Evils had nevertheless increased. The General disease became confirmed and she at last feel a sacrifice to it.  |
<p>| Died                  | 18th March         |                                                                                                         |
| Elizabeth Smith       | 19                  | Of a delicate habit. Catamenia regular - Has for some days past experienced violent pain in the Abdomen: complains now of severe Head-ach, accompan'd with great weakness, pain of the Back and Limbs, with sickness and some desire to throw up: has an unpleasant taste in the Mouth: little heat of surface. Pulse 98 and small. Took from the Arm 14 ounces of Blood which caus'd Syncope, <em>Habeat Hora Somni. Calomel grs v. Pulvis Antimonialis grs iiiij M</em> |</p>
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Louisa Lloyd
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Of a dark complexion and weakly, was admitted complaining of severe Tormina Tenesmus. Scanty bloody dejections, want of Appetite and strength accompanied with general pains and soreness and a strong disposition to vomit on taking either food or drink. She said she had been complaining for several days before her admission but imagined the complaint would leave her. The Tongue was white. Eyes languid, the pulse above 100, small and easily compressed. The skin was considerably increased in temperature.

To treat the disease I began by a Flannel Roller bound round the abdomen aided by Saline Cathartics and the Oleum Ricini with now and then a few grains of Calomel. At the same time ordered plentiful dilution with tepid gruel, warm Tea, Rice or Barley Water to restore the natural secretions. After the Primeæ Viæ had been evacuated gave the pulv. Ipecacuan. compositis and a pill of Opium at Bed-time.

However the complaint would not yield to this mild treatment which long continued for a few days, Finding the disease to be of a more malignant form I immediately commenced the use of Calomel and pushed it on undeviatingly to salivation assisted by friction to the Right Hypochondriac Region. The doses I gave were ten grains each day at Noon. In the interval between the doses of Calomel I prescribed fifteen grains of the Pulvis Ipecacuanha Compos. This gave in order to lessen the irritability of the Bowel and to support the Cuticular discharge. When the gums were fairly sore with some Ptyalism, the Ungt Hydrarg. fortioris were omitted as soon as this charge was effected. Then the Tormina Tenesmus disappear'd and the Bowles gradually returned to their natural state. Prescribed Tonics during the days of convalescence and as soon as the mouth was well was discharged.

Matthew Burnside Surgeon
Superintendent

A Nosological Synopsis of the Sick Book kept during the Period of this Journal, in conformity with the 30th Article of the Surgeons’ Instructions.
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