

## A LEAMINGTON MIRACLE.

The Terrible Effects of Typhoid Fever.

Mr. Joseph Robson, a well-known Farmer is Restored to Health and Strength after Nine Years of Terrible Suffering—All Hope of Recovery had been Abandoned and he Looked upon Life as a Burden.

From the Leamington Post.

Mr. Joseph Robson, whose home is on the first concession of Mersea township, about a mile from Leamington, is known to almost every resident of this section. For years past, Mr. Robson has been a victim of paralysis in its worst form, and his case was regarded as hopeless not only by himself and his friends but by the doctors who had attended him.

To one who knew Mr. Robson's pitiable condition as we did, it was with no small degree of surprise and pleasure that we recently saw him drive through town sitting quite erect on a cross board in a lumber wagon, and controlling a lively team of horses. Hailing him we asked what miracle had brought about this changed condition, and asked if he had any objection to the publication of the facts connected with his case. Replying he said he would indeed be a man if he refused to let the public know how his wonderful recovery had been brought about. Mr. Robson then told the story of his illness and recovery about as follows:—

"About ten years ago, while living in the state of Ohio, I was taken down with an attack of typhoid fever, and for three months hung between life and death in a perfectly unconscious condition. Recovered from this I ventured out to work too soon, the result being that I was taken down with a severe cold. During the first stages of my trouble I was able to move about with some difficulty, but the disease gradually fastened its hold on me and I found one sense after another becoming paralyzed. At this time my prospects in life were by no means discouraging. I owned a magnificent farm not far from Toledo, on which we had a comfortable home and I owed not a dollar to any one. I continued to doctor with specialists and experts from all parts of the States, each of whom promised to cure me of the disease, which they said was paralysis, but in every case they left me as bad and sometimes worse than they found me physically, and certainly worse financially. After suffering in this manner for two years my family concluded that a change of climate might do me good, and so we removed to Canada, settling where we now reside. This hope, however, proved a delusion, and each year found me worse and if possible added to my misery. Life itself became a burden to me and I knew that I was worse than useless to my friends. I was unable to feed myself as my head and hands shook so that I have frequently left stabs in my chin when trying to put my fork in my mouth. It was only occasionally that I could move around at all, and then only with the aid of crutches, I lost almost entire control of my power of speech and got so bad that members of my own family could not understand what I was saying. My whole nervous system seemed undermined, and I abandoned all hope of ever again being of any use to my family. Last fall I was induced to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and from that date my condition has steadily improved until to-day I am able to take my place with other men on the farm, and while my hands shake a trifle, I am able to do a good day's work every day in the week. I am now able to walk a considerable distance and my nervous system seems fully restored. There is not the slightest doubt that these results are entirely due to the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I am confident that had I been able to procure this wonderful remedy when I was first taken with the disease, I would never have been where I was. The absolute truthfulness of the facts as I have given them to you can be verified by hundreds of my friends and neighbors, or by any member of my own family." As to much of the evidence contained in Mr. Robson's statement the writer can himself bear evidence. His speech, which one year ago could scarcely be understood, is now perfectly distinct; his head then dropped on his chest, whereas now it is held quite firm and erect; then he could not walk across a room without holding to a chair or table, while now he can walk without difficulty.

We called upon Mr. W. J. Smith, druggist, and interrogated him in reference to the case. Mr. Smith said that he knew of Mr. Robson's ailment and that he had no doubt that it was Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that cured him. Pink Pills," said Mr. Smith, "have a remarkable sale, which seems due to their remarkable efficacy in curing diseases arising from an impoverished condition of the blood, or an impairment of the nervous system, such as rheumatism, neuralgia, partial paralysis, locomotor ataxia, St. Vitus' dance, nervous headache, nervous prostration, and the tired feeling arising therefrom, the after effects of la grippe, influenza and severe colds, diseases depending on humors in the blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. Pink Pills give a healthy glow to pale and sallow complexions, and are a specific for the troubles peculiar to the female system, and in the case of men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, over work or excesses of any nature."

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### Where the Mother Was.

Minister (to ragged and dirty-faced child who has just opened the door for him): "Is your mother in, little girl?" Child (sorrowfully): "No, sir. She's out collecting things for the heathen."

## THE INDIAN DATURA SEED.

A Poison That is Often Used by Robbers to Overcome their Victims.

It has been remarked that one of the greatest objections to the suppression of hemp cultivation for smoking purposes in India is that it would drive the natives to the use of more dangerous sedatives. One of the drugs which the coolie is most prone to substitute for his beloved hemp, when the latter is not available, is the datura seed. For many years it has been known to the police and those engaged in medico-legal examinations that one of the favorite methods adopted by the Indian thieves to rob their victims has been the administering of datura. The stupefying effects of this drug enables them to carry on their depredations, and at the same time to avoid, in most cases, the fatal results which attend the use of other poisons.

The symptoms present in the individuals affected were loss of consciousness, dilation of the pupils, picking at the bed clothes, attempts to grasp imaginary objects and from the movement of their hands they all appeared to be drawing out threads from the tips of their fingers. When taken upon an empty stomach the effects of the poison are usually discernible within ten minutes, but in the case of a well-nourished person half an hour or more elapses before its effects are perceptible. The rareness of fatal cases in connection with the use of this poison is one of the chief factors in its selection by the native criminal.

The datura seeds may be gathered almost anywhere in India, and also easily purchased in the bazaars: so it is hardly to be wondered at that such a convenient instrument for the furthering of nefarious designs should be so popular among the Indian criminal classes. If it is desirable to render any particular person helpless for a given time the administration of the datura is the main difficulty, and this, unless servants are absolutely trustworthy, is not insuperable. The period before consciousness is restored after taking a dose of the poison varies in different individuals and is dependent very much on the state of the health of the victim at the time it is administered. Thus in some cases a complete recovery takes place in two or three days, or less, while in others unconsciousness has been known to last as long as a week.

The symptoms exhibited in many cases resemble those of alcoholic poisoning or delirium tremens. In some instances the poisoned persons act under the belief that they are following their ordinary occupations. For example, in one case a stone-mason's laborer was under the impression that it was his duty to haul everything in his vicinity, not excepting his master; in another case a groom was seized with a desire to perform grooming operations on those with whom he came in contact; and a third, a goldsmith, seated himself on the floor intent on following his usual vocation.

### Bank Note Microbes.

Two Havanae bacteriologists, Drs. Acosta and Grande-Rossi, conceived the idea, surely an original one, of studying the microbes of bank notes. They have published the result of their researches on the notes of the Spanish Bank of Havana. The notes of the Spanish Bank of Havana, the notes of these notes increases in the course of their circulation, by reason of the addition of foreign matter. At the end of a certain time the bacteriological analysis demonstrated a considerable increase in the number of microbes; in two cases this number rose to more than 19,000. The physicians discovered specially the presence of a septic bacillus, which rapidly kills animals inoculated with it; this, to speak properly, is the specific microbe of the bank note, and Talamon thinks that the name, bacillus septicus aureus, could be justly given to it.

Messrs. Acosta and Grande-Rossi have, besides, recognized distinctly in the bank notes examined by them, eight pathogenic species, among which were the bacillus of tuberculosis, that of diphtheria, and the streptococcus of erysipelas. The two bacteriologists do not say what were the denominations of the notes they experimented with. It may be supposed, however, that they did not use notes of 1,000 or even 100 francs. If the notes were of that size, it will be difficult to verify their experiments in all laboratories, the means of which in general do not permit of such prodigality. What use can the Havanae make of their bank notes that they become such receptacles of microbes? Messrs. Acosta and Grande-Rossi declare that the children of Havana are accustomed to carry bank notes in their mouths. It is easy to believe that the adults carry them elsewhere.

### Interesting to Housekeepers.

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