SACCHARUM.

Saccharum album; Saccharum officinalis; Sugar; Sucre; Zucker. $C.^{12}$ $H.^{11}$ $O.^{11}$

ARRANGED BY DR. LIPPE.

This substance is found in the juices of many plants, especially in the Sugar-cane; in the Beta vulgaris; in the Acer saccharinum; in the Asphodelus ramosus, &c. It crystalizes, is readily soluble in water; and with more difficulty in alcohol the more concentrated it is. The dilute, watery solution of sugar enters into fermentation if any albuminous substances are combined with it. Both sugar and salt are component parts of the human system; both cause a disturbance in the organism only when taken in excessively large quantities; and the former will prove to be an important remedy in the cure of the sick, when administered in accordance with the Homœopathic law, as the latter has already done. And further proof will, in this new remedy, be added to those already in our possession, that the curative powers of drugs, or material substances, are developed by potentiation.

The fragmentary proving and few clinical observations now presented to the profession, have been principally obtained from the late Dr. S. Bœninghausen and Dr. G. H. Bute, who proved the 30th potency on himself, and communicated some striking cures with the new remedy. And we hope the beginning now made will induce our colleagues to institute further provings, and to communicate additional clinical corroborations.

Sugar will be found to be an indispensable remedy in the diseased conditions of the mesenteric glands, especially in the very hard swelling of the abdomen in children after scarlet fever; also in some dropsical affections, diabetes mellitus, &c.

The purely curative effects derived from clinical observa-

tions are marked *; symptoms from other sources than Bœninghausen and Bute have the name of the observer added.

Mind and Disposition.

. Bilious sanguineous temperament.
. Indifference.
. Want of childish cheerfulness.
. Anxiousness.
5. Violent temper; irritable temper; quarrelsomeness.
. Lowspirited, hypochondriacal mood; peevishness.
. Disinclination to talk; want of interest.
. Stupidity.
. Indifference as from home-sickness. Home-sickness.
10. Increased modesty of women.
*. Great modesty (chastity).
. Bad effect from violent anger.

Sensorium.

. Giddiness, from indigestion.
*. Harassing giddiness (with gout) of six years standing.

Head.

15. Headache every week the same day.
*. The one-sided headache returns every week on the same day.
. Cold on the head.
. The hair grows rapidly.
. Perspiration on the head (neck and shoulders).

Eyes.

20. Varicose extension of the vessels of the eye.
. Violent ophthalmia.
. Dimness of the cornea.
. Inflammation of the eyelids.
. Œdematous swelling of the eyelids.
25. The eyes are closed on account of the swelling of the eyelids.
. Dimness of sight.
. Obscuration of sight.

Ears.

. Discharge of pus from the ears.

Nose.

. Sneezing; dry coryza.

Face.

30. Paleness of the face.
. Death-like color of the face.
. The face is bloated.
. Œdematous swelling of the face.
. Changed expression of the countenance.
*35. Healthy fresh color of the face.

Teeth.

. Dulness of the teeth (with sour vomiting) 49.
. Scurvy.
. Useful as a tooth-powder—Rush—Hare.

Mouth and Throat.

. Inflammation of the lining membrane of the mouth.
40. Apthæ of children.
. Rhagades, cracks on the tongue.
. Ranula.
. Inflammation of the salivary glands.
. Ulcers in the throat.

Gastric Symptoms.

45. Nausea—early in the morning.
. Periodical vomiting.
. Vomiting of blood.
. Vomiting of white, viscid, tough mucus.
. Acid vomiting, making the teeth dull.
50. Violent retching.
. Vomiting of drunkards.

Stomach.

. Impaired digestion.
. Acidity of the stomach.
. Weak digestion with acidity of the stomach.
55. Painful constriction of the stomach.
. Cold of the stomach.
. Disordered stomach.
. Bloated stomach.
. Pressure in the stomach in the morning when fasting,

60. Heat in the stomach.
. Pain in the stomach with hypochondriacal persons.
. Stomach overloaded with sour mucus.
. Insufficient nutrition.
. Impaired digestion.
65. Painful sensitiveness of the pit of the stomach.

Hypochondria.

. Induration of the liver.
. Swelling of the liver.
. Increased secretion of bile.
*. Pain in the spleen (from a blow received a long time ago).
70. Swelling of the spleen.

Abdomen.

. Abdomen swollen (enlarged).
. Hardness and swelling of the abdomen; abdomen as hard as a stone.
. Hard abdomen in children.
. Painful hardness of the abdomen.
*75. Hard swollen abdomen (after scarlet fever).—A. Lippe.
. Swelling and induration of the mesenteric glands.
. Atrophia mesenterica.
. The abdomen shows the presence of water on percussion.
*. Hydrops abdominis saccatus.
*80. Worm affections of children.
. Flatulency.

Stool and Anus.

. Constipation. Difficult stools.
. Constipation alternating with mucous diarrhœa.
. Diarrhœa, stools watery and debilitating, of mucus and blood, bilious.
85. Hemorrhoidal congestion.
. Painful hemorrhoidal tumors.
*. The hemorrhoids begin to bleed again.

Urinary Organs.

. Diminished, very scanty secretion of urine.
. Profuse secretion of urine.
*90. Diabetes mellitus.

Genital Organs.

. Increased sexual desire.
. Frequent involuntary seminal emissions.
. Swelling of the genitals.
. Enormous swelling of the scrotum.
95. Catamenia diminished.
. The menstrual blood is pale.
. Suppressed fluor albus.

Respiratory Organs.

. Difficult respiration.
. Oppressed breathing.
100. Can only breathe in an erect position.
. He has to lay bolstered up high on account of dispnœa.
. Respiration difficult, oppressed in the morning, relieved by expectoration.
. Suffocative attacks—* returning every six months.
. Dry cough.
105. Cough with children.
. The expectoration with the cough is very offensive.
*. The suppressed expectoration is restored.
. Hoarse, catharral voice.
. Hoarseness from reading but a short time.
110. Dry rawness in the larynx.
*. Ulceration of the larynx.
. Stitches in the left side of the chest.
. Fulness in the chest—in the morning and relieved by expectoration of mucus.
. Pneumonia.
115. Accumulation of mucus on the chest.
. Pneumonia.

Thorax.

. Emaciation of the chest, the muscles dwindle away.
. Swelling of the lower part of the sternum.
. Rheumatic pain in the region of the heart.

Extremities.

Upper.

120. Œdematous swelling of the arms.
*. Œdematous swelling of the right arm with stinging, less painful when uncovering the arm, more painful in the evening and during damp weather. (Bute.)

*. Fistulous ulceration of the right forearm with tingling and stitches, discharge of yellowish thin pus. (Bute.)
. Panaritium.

Lower.

. Emaciation of the hams and thighs.
125. Legs swollen and as hard as a stone.
. Swelling around the ankles.
. Œdematous swelling of the legs—water oozes out from them.
. Weakness of the legs *(uncertain walk of a child nine years old).
. Cramps in the calves of the legs.
*130. Caries on the feet.

Sleep.

. Sleeplessness.
. Starts in his sleep.

Fever.

. Pulse weak and irregular.
. Chilliness from 10 A. M. till evening, with melancholic mood.
135. Chilliness alternates with perspiration.
. The chill is followed by profuse perspiration.
. Evening fever.
*. Perspiration day and night.
. Intermittent fevers every one, two, or three days, irregular in their type.
140. Suppressed fevers (with Chininum sulph).
. Rheumatic fevers.
. Malignant plague fevers.

Skin.

. Dry skin, all perspiration is suppressed.
. Chlorosis after anger.
145. Chlorosis with dropsy.
. Pale red blotches over the body.
. Old herpes.
. Excessive granulation in the ulcers.
. Proud flesh in the ulcers.
*150. Anasarca after scarlet fever.

Generalities.

. Emaciation with great appetite.
. Plethoric constitution.
. Tingling in the limbs.
. Fainting attacks.
155. Attacks of gout—pains wandering.

Conditions.

. Bad effects from spirituous liquors.
. China cachexia—mercurio-syphilitic cachexia. (Ste. Marie.)
. Poisonous effects from Arsenic, Plumbum, Cuprum, Verdigris, Mercury, and poisonous fishes.
*. During hydrops the upper parts discharge first, last of all ceases the swelling of the limbs.
160. After saccharum, ferrum often follows well.

The Editor of the Department of Materia Medica wishes to prepare a thorough proving of the *Cupri Arsenias*. He requests that all physicians, interested in his department, will send him any information, clinical or otherwise, in connection with this drug which they may possess, and that those who are desirous of assisting in the proving will forward him their names. To the latter he will send a portion of the medicine. Due credit will be given to all.

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PHILADELPHIA HOMŒOPATHIC MEDICAL SOCIETY.

REPORTED BY ROBERT J. McCLATCHY, M. D., SECRETARY.

An adjourned meeting of the Society was held at the Homœopathic College on the evening of Thursday, August 22d, the President, Dr. Richard Gardiner, in the chair.

There being no regular paper provided, Dr. Jacob Jeanes stated that he had prepared a short article on the "Facts of Homœopathy," which, if desired, he would read, with the proviso that the paper should not be claimed for publication unless re-written.

Dr. Jeanes was unanimously requested to read his essay, and the Doctor thereupon presented a highly interesting, thoughtful and intelligible paper on the above subject, (which appears in another part of this journal.)