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UTERINE THERAPEUTICS

PART FIRST

THE REMEDIES AND THEIR INDICATIONS

ACONITUM NAPELLUS
( MONKSHOOD)

Menstruation.— Too profuse and too protracted, especially in plethoric women. Profuse, with epistaxis. Suppressed menses, from fright, or from other causes, particularly in subjects of full habit and who lead sedentary lives. Menses too late, diminished, but protracted. Menses suppressed by a cold bath, or by getting the feet wet. Discharge bright red, readily coagulating.

Before Menstruation.— Variable humor, at one time gay, at another dejected. Great anxiety; apprehensive. Headache. Face hot and red. Pulse full and quick. Furor or frenzy on the approach of the menses.

During Menstruation.— Great mental excitement; irascible mood; pressive, throbbing or stinging headache; red cheeks; full, hard pulse; feverish heat. Profuse discharge of bright blood, which coagulates readily, attended with great alarm and excitement; she is sure she is going to die. Vertigo or fainting, and paleness of the face on rising from a recumbent position; she has to lie down again. When standing, she becomes giddy, and falls over, usually to the right side. Sharp pains in the loins. Painful menstruation of a congestive type, with palpitation of the heart,
ACTAEA RACEMOSA
BLACK SNAKE-ROOT

Menstruation.—Too soon and abundant. Menses scanty, slightly coagulated; retarded or suppressed. Discharge dark and coagulated.

Before Menstruation.—Great tenderness of the hypogastrium, with severe, spasmodic, intermittent, uterine contractions. Pressive, heavy headache.

During Menstruation.—Severe pain in the back extending to the thighs. A sensation of weight and bearing down in the uterine region, with a feeling of weight and torpor in the lower extremities. Cramps and tenderness in the hypogastric region. Profuse flow of a passive character, the blood being dark and coagulated, attended with great nervous and mental irritability. Low-spirited. Pain commences with the flow, increases with the menses till they reach their height and then suddenly ceases. Stitching pains across the hypogastrium. The pain is in the region of the uterus and is of a griping, spasmodic nature, doubles the patient up (Coloc), almost throwing her into convulsions. Epileptic or hysterical spasms. Dysmenorrhcea occurring in rheumatic women. Menstrual colic from retroversion.

After Menstruation.—Great general debility. Scanty flow between the periods.

Amenorrhcea.—Especially in rheumatic or neuralgic women. Great excitability of the nervous system, anxiety, headache, restlessness. Dark circles around the eyes. Menses suppressed from mental emotions, from fever or from cold.

Lochia.—Suppressed from cold or other causes, with febrile symptoms, and rheumatic pains in all the limbs. Determination of blood to the head, with a sensation in the head as if she would go crazy. Lochia watery or mixed with clots. After-pains in the groins; over-sensitiveness; nausea and vomiting.

Leucorrhoea.—Vaginal or cervical leucorrhoea, without ulceration, with continuous bearing-down pains. A sensation of weight in the uterus. Leucorrhoea in rheumatic women. Sterility.

Concomitants.—Great melancholy, with sleeplessness. Declares she will go crazy. Fear of death; thinks she is going to die.
Pulsations in all the blood-vessels. Beating and throbbing through the whole body, particularly in the stomach and abdomen, with great concern about the future.

**APIS MELLIFICA**

**(POISON OF THE HONEY BEE)**

Menstruation.— Premature, at the same time scanty or profuse. Painful, with a scanty discharge of slimy blood. Menstruation diminished or suppressed with congestion to the head. Menses supplemented with congestion or inflammation of the ovaries. The flow of blood is scanty, dark and mixed with mucus. Intermittent menstruation (compare Kreosote).

Before Menstruation.— *Congestion of blood to the head.* Sharp, cutting, stinging pains in the right ovary, before and during menstruation. Eruptions like bee stings on the abdomen. Violent labor-like pains in the abdomen which are followed by a scanty discharge of dark, bloody mucus.


Dysmenorrhoea, with plunging, stabbing pain in the uterus and in the head, of a congestive type, or when it is due to inflammation, or irritation of the ovaries. The flow being scanty, dark and mixed with mucus. Bearing-down pains, with a sensation of weight and heaviness in the abdomen and ovarian region. Great tenderness over the uterine region. Yawning. Restlessness, wants to change her place often but finds no relief.

Amenorrhoea.— Attended with congestion to the head. Cardiac distress. Great irritability and pain in the ovaries, especially the right. Stinging or cutting pain in the ovaries. Incidental anasarca; swelling of the extremities; puffiness of the cellular tissue. Especially for young girls, who are constantly engaged in...
too scanty. Menses punctual as to time, but more copious than usual. Menses profuse, especially in withered and dried-up looking women. Menses suppressed. Profuse in young widows. Menstrual discharge *thick and coagulated.*

Before Menstruation.— Hemorrhage from the uterus. Pressing headache, cutting pain in the groin and small of the back.

During Menstruation.— Headache and vertigo. Labor-like pains in the abdomen. Internal trembling in the epigastrium. Tormenting pressure in the precordial region, especially at night. *Cutting pains in the small of the back groins and pelvis.* Contractions in the groins. The head feels very much enlarged, and the lower limbs extremely weak. Pain in the ovarian region, with pains radiating to sacrum and thighs.


Leucorrhoea.— Of a mucous nature. Bloody discharge from ulcerated cervix* uteri and adjacent parts, attended with pain in the back, and great debility of the lower extremities. Leucorrhoea, with yellow, corroding discharges. Dyspepsia with loud belching. Frequent and profuse urination.

(Leucorrhoea pus-like, ichorous, bloody, offensive, scanting the whole room, cervix uteri spongy and has an indurated look. Soreness in the abdomen always aggravated by riding. Pain in left ovary and back extending downward. Argentum met.)

Concomitants.— Anxious and irritable mood. She is always in a hurry, time seems to pass so slowly with her. She is anxious and is obliged to do things in a great hurry. Errors and defects of perception. Moral and nervous disturbances come in quite regular paroxysms, coming on every night, every morning, or at noon, more particularly after dinner.

Restless, stupid sleep, with horrid dreams. She is prevented from falling asleep by fancies and images hovering before her imagination.
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