MEDICAL EMERGENCIES IN HOMOEOPATHY PRACTICE

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What is the remedy (in one single dose) that would have saved the life of rape victim Nirbhaya of Delhi?
Symptoms in Nirbhaya’s case:

Pyaemia, septicaemia: Acon., Arn., Ars., Calend., Canth., Carbol. ac., Chin. arom., Chinin. mur. or sulph., Crotal., Lach., Nit. ac., Rhus, Veratr. vir., Zinc.


*Crotalus horridus alone is common to the above lists.* Where do we find the above? It is in the most indispensable reference book by Dr. Lilienthal.
“Homoeopathy has not become popular because of defective books as well as because of defective use of books”

Who has said the above?
Dr. James Tyler Kent, in his book Lesser Writings
What are the most useful books in day-to-day practice?
The one book that tops the list of useful books is **HOMOEOPATHIC THERAPEUTICS** by Dr. Samuel Lilienthal
Next in the list of useful books, is

**The Accoucheur’s Emergency Manual**

By Dr. W. A. Yingling
He is our senior. Do not call any other homoeopath in India as your senior.
Next in the list of useful book is Hering’s Guiding Symptoms (10 volumes).
The entire 10-volumes is not useful. Only the following chapters under each Remedy has significance for confirming the selection:

1. MIND AND DISPOSITION
2. TISSUES
3. STAGES OF LIFE AND DISPOSITION
Cases treated by the use of
WILKINSON’S MATERIA MEDICA

A women pointing to the tip of both her shoulders with her index finger said, “Doctor, I have pain here and doctors tell me that it is due to spondylitis.”
Spondylitis

(The suffix ‘-itis’ means inflammation)

In Wilkinson’s Mat. Medica, in the remedy Belladonna we find the following:

The inflammation. . . runs in radii as it extends to adjacent parts. Single dose of Belladonna-10M cured her.
A women of 38 years complained of bleeding from uterus every time she strained a little. While travelling or lifting weight, or sudden jar caused bleeding.

How would you treat this case?
This is “Haemorrhagic exudations.” The remedy for this is **Anthracinum** *(Wilkinson’s Mat. Medica)*.
Fracture of tibia does not readily heal. Though the fracture might have healed, the victim would be having its chronic effects of oozing fluid from the injured place etc. Knerr’s Repertory is useful for this:

**GENERALITIES - injuries,**

**FRACTURE of TIBIA: Anthracin.**
Cases treated with the help of Calvin B. Knerr’s Repertory
Boiling tea was splashed on the face of a women and eyesight lost. Allopathy doctors told that nothing can be done. Single dose of Carbolic acid-10M restored her eyesight in thirty minutes time. See Knerr’s Repertory
GENERALITIES - injuries, burns, extensive: carbol. ac.
A patient with malaria for more than six months and consulted allopaths and homoeopaths, all in vain. During consultation with me, he ended up saying,

“Doctor, I get the chill-heat-fever syndrome in the evening. However, ever since the onset of this malaria I get pain in my chest in the morning. What is due to it doctor?”
Symptoms occurring during the evening chill-fever-sweat syndrome (such as headache, etc.) belongs to the pathology of malaria; hence common.

However, symptoms occurring at a time when the patient is free from apyrexia does not belong to malaria but they belong to the patient; hence more valuable.
A chronic renal failure patient with fever and ascites or, for that matter, any bedridden patient goes into coma at 2-30 p.m. He is hospitalised and in a few days dies. What is the remedy?

**Answer:** Helleborus. See Kent’s Repertory: GENERALITIES—Afternoon: 2-30 p.m.
I have taken out the three paras and made a compilation with the title

WILKINSON’S MAT. MEDICA
Coming back to
THE MOST USEFUL BOOKS
WITHOUT DEFECT

Apart from Lilienthal, Yingling and Wilkinson the next in order of importance are

1. BOERICKE’S MAT. MEDICA
2. Calvin B. Knerr’s REPERTORY
KNERR’S REPERTORY—
FEVER, intermittent apyrexia: pain in chest, sabad.
Sabadilla cured him.

Which other Repertory gives symptoms in malaria during apyrexia?
• In homoeopathy practice, everything is practical and practical only. There are no theories. For learning swimming you first get into the water. So also, for learning car driving you are made to sit on the wheel and drive in the busy traffic. Unless and until a teacher points out actual cases you may not understand what is in the materia medica.
In emergencies nature speaks plainly.

The more danger to life, the clearer the symptoms speak and quicker our remedy acts.
Aethusa cynapium

Before this remedy was known a certain class of cases of cholera infantum, and vomiting and diarrhea in children, all resulted fatally, because there was no remedy that looked like such serious cases.

Death is stamped on the face from the beginning, and if there are any remedies in the book that save life, this is one of them.
Early morning 2 a.m. to 5 a.m.

• convulsion of child below six months; moaning, thumbs drawn towards palm, eyes drawn downward. Without a dose of *Aethusa* that child would die by 6 a.m.

• Hydrocyanic acid—Last stage of cholera
Cases that end fatally

In Encephalitis of children, single sharp, shrill screams while sleeping. **Raises hand to back of ears while it screams**—Apis

- Sudden crying of the child, **with clutching of hair, or nurse's face**: Digitalis. (cerebro-spinal meningitis

You must keep these remedies at your finger tip.
• In Basilar meningitis, during sleep the child suddenly crying out, starts and jumps from the bed on the floor—Zinc.

Preventive for Epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis: Zinc. [See Knerr’s]
Salient features of KNERR’S REPERTORY

In the case of Intermittent fevers, he alone gives symptoms during apyrexia.
Dr. Constantine Hering proved *Lachesis* and he died with the symptoms of Lachesis because he took it in low potency for proving.

What is the remedy that would have saved him?
When *Lachesis* has been given in too low potency, and the patient has been poisoned with the crude Medicine, this remedy then becomes an antidote, used in a high potency, because of the similarity in its action.

[See Kent’s Lectures on Hom. Mat. Med.-- Amm-carb.]
Almost all homoepaths have a copy of Boericke’s Mat. Medica. Has anyone used it wisely is a question mark. [In some cases we have to make combined use of two Repertories.]
A women of 32 years got cancer and after repeated chemotherapy she got frequent an profuse and leucorrhoeal discharge and consequent dehydration.

Doctors told her that she would live for another few months only.
When she was in my clinic she told, “Doctor, people in my village do not have any regard for me, because they say that after all, I am going to die in a few months. Cure me and I want to get cured and live for more years and tell my villagers, “Look I got cured.”
I read all the remedies in the chapter Leucorrhoea in Lilienthal and I could confirm *Hamamelis because of the following symptoms therein:*

“… Profuse fluor albus, constituting a drain on the system as severe as a bleeding…”
I read *Hamamelis* in Wilkinson and Boericke and the following in the para “Head” in Boericke caught my attention: Wants “the respect due to me” shown.

*Hamamelis*-10M, single dose, cured her and she lived a healthy life for many years.
A victim of burns from feet to hip was admitted in a govt. hospital and Cantharis etc was given with no relief.

It was superficial burn and since there is no immediately treatment, the house surgeon did not call the senior doctor who would come in the evening rounds only.
The patient was heard saying, “No senior doctor or specialist has come to see and treat me.” He got himself in a private nursing home and there too he was repeating the same thing that no senior doctor was not attending on him immediately.
As far as the patient is concerned he thought that immediate attention of a senior doctor is a must and he does not know that for superficial burns there is no treatment.
In Boericke’s Repertory, under the symptom INJRIES—Burns, scalds—21 remedies are listed. I read all these remedies in Boericke’s Mat. Medica (the first para, ‘mind’ and ‘skin’) and the words “Wants the respect due to me shown” in Hamamelis caught my attention.
What a serious patient needs is immediate attention by a senior doctor and according to the patient he had not got that. I gave him Hamamelis-1M, single dose, and asked him to get voluntary discharge and return home.
After three days patient was cured almost completely and when he went to the govt. hospital and nursing doctor, doctors who had seen him earlier refused to believe that he was the one whom they say a few days ago. Wounds heal without leaving a scar only in homoeopathy.
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The short-cut to selection of the remedy is Lilienthal and the short-cut to Lilienthal is the chapter MELANCHOLIA (Mind symptoms) therein. If you learn the symptoms therein by rote, you can cure seventy per cent of cases without the aid of any repertory!
There are no theories in homoeopathy. It is practical and practical only.
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Books available for sale. [Price inclusive of postage]

Wilkinson’s Mat. Medica . . Rs.840=00

Calvin B. Knerr’s Repertory . . Rs.3,000=00

Lilienthal’s Homoeopathic Therapeutics . . Rs.1,6500=00

The Accoucheur’s Emergency Mansual by Dr. W. A. Yingling Rs.430=00

British Encyclopaedia of Medical practice [for Diagnosis and Differential Diagnosis, to learn what are ‘common’ and what are ‘uncommon’ symptoms in a case.] (12 Volumes + 1 Index Volume) Rs.15,000=00

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