

A
LITTLE BOOK

WELL FILLED WITH SCIENTIFIC

FACTS,

IS MORE VALUABLE THAN

VOLUMES OF FICTION,

THEREFORE CAST NOT ASIDE THIS

LITTLE LEAFLET

TILL YOU EXAMINE ITS IMPORTANT REVELATIONS.

Law of Gravitation Reversed!



IMMENSE

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OF

SUPPORT.

DESCRIPTIVE ACCOUNT WITHIN.

WHAT WE SEE

AND

WHAT WE DON'T SEE.

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THERE is a familiar old adage that a man can no more lift himself by his suspenders than he can climb the atmosphere by a ladder of faith. Without questioning the truth of this proverb, we are daily called upon to witness events equally strange and unaccountable.

The fact that a body of several tons weight can be suspended in the air without any visible support, is seemingly as absurd as that a man should lift himself by his suspenders, or walk upon the atmosphere. And yet it is indisputably true, as represented in the diagram.

The accompanying cut represents a bent bar of soft iron, weighing a hundred pounds, and wound around several times by insulated copper wire. This arrangement, materially considered, is but so much dead matter, incapable of attracting to itself a single grain of its own weight. But send around this coiled wire a stream of primary electricity, and like the unshorn Sampson, it springs into life, overthrows the earth's attraction, seizes upon dead matter, hugs it to its cold embrace, and there holds it with almost irresistible power. Without any iron manacles or hempen cords, or any visible support whatever, a weight of several tons is thus suspended.

After witnessing such an exhibition of incomprehensible power, who can doubt but that the powers of all other agencies in nature are weak and impotent when compared to this? Who can doubt, for a moment, that its almost omnipotent energies will yet be harnessed to machinery and made to supplant the sluggish motor forces so indifferently employed? Who can doubt that it is the prodigious power of electricity brought to bear upon the machinery of the universe, that whirls the pon-

drous planets in their spheres and sends the comet blazing through its lightning course?

This agent or force, then, stands at the head of created substances, the most subtle, powerful and important. It works the countless myriads of chemical changes, both visible and invisible. It is the exciting cause of light and heat and the prime promoter and sustainer of both vegetable and animal existence. Without it, the hand of nature would be palsied; the lungs of nature would no longer heave, and the pulse of nature would cease to beat—all would be lifeless, motionless.

ITS UTILIZATION.

Not only are we indebted to electricity for its beneficent gifts, vouchsafed without our asking or seeking, but for the many wonderful results we have achieved from the utilization of its versatile powers. Of these grand discoveries and results, one in particular claims our special attention. It is to this that the eyes of millions are now directed, with assurance of relief, attainable from no other quarter. The discovery alluded to is electro-therapeutics—the art of curing disease by electrical agencies. This discovery has inspired new hope, has robbed disease of its terror, and given to the otherwise hopeless and despondent a new lease of life.

PRACTICAL RESULTS.

The lame, crippled and palsied; the rheumatic and neuralgic; the nervous and debilitated, depleted with drug nostrums, searching for magic springs and alien climes, in vain pursuit of health, are now cheered with the certainty of future happiness. Its touch vanishes pain, it causes the dumb to speak, the deaf to hear and the blind to see; it reduces fever and inflammation; it makes strong the flagging energies of the weak and irritable, and restores to the impotent of body and mind their God-given faculties. Even the prostrated energies from the decline of life can be wonderfully rejuvenated, and kept vigorous through extreme old age by submitting to an occasional process of electrical polarization.

SUSTAINING EVIDENCE.

These are not unwarrantable assertions, and those who form their opinions from the authority of great names are referred to the reports of eminent medical men of Europe, who, after years of experimental labor in the remedial use of electricity, fully confirm the foregoing statements. But in justification of *my* assertions, I do not depend on books nor any collateral evidence, but wholly on my *own* observations and experience, extending over a period of nearly thirty years. Electricity being my only reliance, I have endeavored to develop its remedial resources to the utmost. The fact that it is now looked upon as a *dernier* resort, a last hope, has brought me in contact with a great variety of desperate and abandoned cases. My practice has not been restricted to any particular class of complaints, but has embraced nearly every form of disease, thus affording an opportunity of testing its therapeutic value. To accomplish the results aimed at, and to meet the pathological and physiological conditions so opposite and varied, it was found necessary to bring into use a variety of electrical forces of different degrees of quantity and intensity. In this combination and the arrangement of their polarized action, I have accomplished the most important results; results that have staggered the medical faculty for a solution, and that can only be solved upon the principle that the body is composed of a series of vital constituents, and that electricity is the power that works and controls them.

HOW DOES ELECTRICITY CURE DISEASE?

As to the rationale of the cure of disease by electricity, there are numerous theories. It is the general belief of the medical faculty that electricity exerts no remedial influence over the body, except by its vibratory action upon the solids and fluids; that the inherent nature of the two poles is identical; that it is adapted to the treatment of but few diseases; and that even in these the result is doubtful. Starting upon this hypothesis, electricity has been applied with no higher object in view than the mere act of exciting the body at the most accessible points,

without regard to diagnosis, or polarity, or any preliminary steps whatever; and as a consequence the results have been, as a rule, highly prejudicial.

LAW OF POLARIZATION.

In answer to these interrogatories it will be necessary to take a philosophical view of the nature and *modus operandi* of this mysterious agent. Electricity is polarized. That is, one end of the battery current is different from the other, and this law of opposites extends to every ultimate particle. In proof of this, pass a current of primary electricity in at the tongue, and you experience an acid taste, then reverse the current and pass it out at the tongue, and the taste will be a burning alkaline, thus showing that from some mysterious cause an in-running current to the body is negative or acid, and an out-running one positive or alkaline. Upon this law of opposites is based the science of therapeutics.

BASIS OF THERAPEUTICS.

In disease there are but two distinct phases, one positive and the other negative. In view of this fact, medical men prescribe accordingly. For acute diseases they give acid or negative remedies, and for chronic *vice versa*. But as the crude drug has first to be acted upon in the stomach before it can reach the diseased organ or part, it seldom reaches the objective point; consequently the effect is lost. But with electricity the result is quite different. It being already resolved into its infinitesimal constituents, it is instantly available and can be made to penetrate any part of the body, changing its positive or negative condition at pleasure. For the subjugation of febrile or inflammatory attacks it is but necessary to resort to a process of electro-negative polarization; and for paralytic, and other negative conditions, the inspiring effect of the positive or alkaline polarity is instantly manifested.

With a knowledge of this law and its practical application, the cure of disease is no mystery; but without it the result is but problematical; and the reason so many have failed in

attempting to use it is due to their total ignorance of the subject.

In my early experience in the medical use of electricity, failures were the rule. But, from the fact that astonishing cures sometimes followed the application, I persevered in my effort, and attributed the failures rather to my own ignorance than any want of reliability in electricity. For years I groped in the dark, ignorant of the first scientific principle of application; but after a long series of practical tests and experiments, the secret was disclosed, namely, the law of electrical polarization. This discovery removed all guess work, and rendered the cure of disease by electricity an absolute certainty.

UNPARALLELED RESULTS.

Since then my efforts have been attended with a degree of success defying comparison. The cures I have effected in New York the last fourteen years number thousands, and these in a majority of instances were no ordinary cases; many of them had tried the best medical skill at home and abroad without avail, and had been given up as past all cure or even relief. Not unfrequently have I been called to the bedside of the agonized victim, struggling between life and death, or to the senseless one with the supposed seal of death stamped upon him, abandoned by physicians and friends as having passed all hope, and yet, by the soothing touch of this trusty agent, the tortured frame became tranquil, or the senseless and death-doomed victim was aroused—animated into life, restored to consciousness and eventually to health.

In comatose or other cases of apparent death, when life hangs upon a pivot, or is suspended by a thread, and other excitants are unavailing, this Promethean healer probes for the last spark of vitality and kindles dead or dormant energies into a vigorous and healthful glow.

It is well known to the scientific medical electrician that the application of electricity is not alike successful in all hands; that it is not electricity alone that cures, but that the great secret of success depends upon its proper application. To insure success,

and uniform results, the operator must be well skilled in electro-diagnosis, pathology, in the general therapeutic effects of the currents, and in the best method of adapting them; also, in the medicinal effects of the different kinds of electricity so essential in the treatment of various diseases.

Electricity is a universal agent, the sustaining principle of animal life, and its claims as a universal therapeutic are too well established to need further argument in its support. Whether in affections of the brain, spine, lungs, heart, spleen, stomach, liver, bowels, kidneys or genitals, either in an acute or chronic state, electricity in some form is preeminently adapted. In fact, it contains a *thousand* remedies in one and all at the command of the scientific operator.

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