

A case of anxiety treated with LAUROCERASUS

A 45 yr old lady came with cardiac anxiety. It started after a scare about accident of her only son. Though nothing happened to the child, she developed these anxiety attacks every time she heard anything out of ordinary. She was in constant state of tension. There were constant eructations, more so when she was empty stomach. She complaint of leaving things here and there without remembering them, after that incidence. She was given one dose of Laurocerasus 200. Follow up after a month resolved her complaint to a large extent. She was given kali phos 6x for another month.

Explanation

After a sudden fright we usually think of medicines like aconite. This case with its sudden onset, fright and anxiety was also taking me towards prescribing aconite. However, the unusual manifestation of memory loss struck me and made me search further. The memory loss after a fright (cause and effect) led me to laurocerasus (sudden loss of memory, from pain, fright, etc. (Boger Synoptic Key)). The result spoke for itself. I, nevertheless wonder what would have been the action of aconite in this case. Only if there was a parallel universe.

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