

## CONTRIBUTION OF BOENNINGHAUSEN

Dr. Clemens Maria Franz Baron Von Boenninghausen was from Overijssel in Netherland. He was born on 12th March 1785. He was a lawyer in the supreme court in Verenter, commissioner for registration of land later Director of Botanical garden of Munster.

In 1827, he was diagnosed to have pulmonary tuberculosis and declared to be incurable in 1828. But his botanical friend A. Weine (M.D.), who was a Homoeopathic physician in the province of Rhineland and Westphalia prescribed him Pulsatilla which cured completely of his diseases and thus became a firm believer in Homoeopathy and converted to a Homoeopathic physician.

Boenninghausen thoroughly learned and practiced Homoeopathy. He dedicated his whole life for literary work of Homoeopathy. He was a regular contributor for Archives for Homoeopathische Keilkurt and Allgemeine Homoeopathische Zeitung.

He was a self-made Homoeopathic physician and was a respectable correspondent with Hahnemann and other than notable Homoeopaths who held his esteem.

Looking to his organisational contribution, he established Homoeopathic Society of Rhineland and Westphalia in 1848. He became a member of almost all existing Homoeopathic Societies. He was given an honorary diploma by Western Homoeopathic Medical College, Cleveland in 1854. He was appointed as a Knight of the Legion of Honour by the Emperor of France in April 1861.

Boenninghausen made a lot of literary contribution to the Homoeopathic system of medicine. The following literature are in the form of books.

- 1) The cure of cholera and its prevention (1831).  
Translated from a pamphlet, highly recommended for use of Camphor.
- 2) Repertory of Antipsoric Medicine with preface by Hahnemann (1832)
- 3) Summary view of the chief sphere of operation of the Antipsoric remedies and their characteristics peculiarities and an Appendix to their Repertory (1833)
- 4) An attempt at a homeopathic therapy of Intermittent fever (1833)
- 5) Contribution to a knowledge of the peculiarities of homeopathic Remedies (1833)
6. Homoeopathic diet and complete image of a disease (for the non professional public) From vertigo to mental disposition, there are XLVIII number of chapters are found and details about them are described inside (1833)
7. Homoeopathic Manual for the non-medical public. (1834)
8. Repertory of medicines which are not Antipsoric.

9. Attempt at showing relative kinship of homoeopathic medicines (1836)
10. therapeutic Manual for Homoeopathic Physicians, for use at sick bed and in the study of the Material Medica Pura (1846)
12. The two sides of HUman body and Relationship, Homoeopathic studies (1853)
13. The Homoeopathic treatment of whooping cough in various forms (1860)
14. The Aphorisms of Hippocrates, with notes by a Homoeopath
15. Attempt at a Homoeopathic therapy of Intermittent and other fevers, especially for would be Homoeopaths, second augmented and revised edition part I - The Pyrexy.

Apart from these he has contibuted immensely to the Homoeopathic magazines of his time. The articles and its detailed publication are given below.

1. Reproof - Smelling of Medicine (Allgemeine homoeopathische Zeitung vol XII P 359 [Potentised Mercury against abuse of Sulph]
 

defenation (causeless)

Griesselich - Hygea (vol. III - p - 256-57)
2. Concerning the Curative Effects to Thuja in Small-pox (Allg. hom Zeit - vol XXXVII p - 21)
 

Thuja 200/ two doses every other evening.

Interjected with

Mercurius 200 (Increased the efficacy of Thuja)
3. High Potencies (Allg. hom Zeit - vol XXXVII p - 358)
  - a. Horse suffered from cough - Hep sulph 200 - Calc 200 cured the case.
  - b. Horse bad cold - Rhus tox 200 / cured the bad cold
  - c. Lameness in hoof of horse Sulph 200, Bry alb, Rhus tox norelief but Ars.
 

alb 200 cured followed by Sulph 200
  - d. So called dog epidemic Rhus tox 200, Kali carb 200
  - e. Wind dropsy of cow - Colchicum 200
  - f. After birth of cow - Sec cor 30 and Sabina 30
  - g. Pig had eruption
4. Epistolary of communication (Allg. hom. zeit vol. XXXIX p - 98)
 

Hydrophobia to dog Bell, Hyos, Stram 200 evry 3rd day
5. Idea of Systema Nosologicum (Allg Hom Zeit vol IX P - 17 an article delineates various drugs with their indications in following state cholerine (diarrhoea) - II cholera III Typhus

6. Typhoid fever and high potency (Allg. Hom. Zeit XLVII P - 57 to 65)  
Case history of 12 cases with 200 potency of various drugs have been given
7. Traumatic Ailments and high potencies (Allg Hom. Zeit vol XXXXVII p 43, 52, 62) Case history of 23 patients has been described how 200 potency cured the cases with indicated remedies.
8. Concerning the duration of the action (Allg. hom. Zeit vol XXXXIX p - 81)  
Class I - briefest action ex - Acon, Cham  
Class II - brief action ex - Arn, Bry  
Class III - Medium duration - Ex. Bell, Dulc, Anac, Rhust tox  
Class IV - Long duration - Ex. Alum, Carbo-veg, Arsenic  
Class V - Most long continued action - Ex. Caust, Graph, Sepia
9. Something concerning the Genuine Ginseng Root (Allg Hom Zeit Vol XXXXX P 53 - 60)  
(Properties of this substance has been collected and prescribed.
10. concerning the relative value of symptoms and something about Borax. (Allg Hom Zeit vol XXXXXIII p - 60)  
Description have been made regarding various characteristics of Borax  
Dr. C. Hering - Last symptoms which appears in proving is most important
11. Concerning some of the rare varieties of Expectorations (Allg Hom Zeit vol XXXXXIII p - 58).  
Has given a repertory on characteristic of expectorations
12. something concerning whooping cough (allg. Hom. Zeit vol. XXXXXIII p 58)  
Has given a therapeutic on whooping cough of following drugs Carboveg, Cina, Cuprum met., Dros., Fer., Heps., Puls., Veratrum.
13. Aluminium metallicum (Allg. Hom. Zeit vol. vol XXXXXIV p 89)  
Described how Aluminium metallicum has cured Tabes dorsalis / Eye complaints - Amaurosis / Inguinal hernia / Chronic cough / skin disease / abdominal pain with constipation / Paraplegia
14. Tabes dorsalis and Aluminium metallicum (Allg. Hom., Zeit Vol. VII XXXXXVII p 3. Descriptions are made how different medicines act with follow up and how Alumina cures the case.
15. The Vegetable Alkaloids (Allg. Hom. Zeit Vol. Vol XXXXXVII p 15). He is in opinion that alkaloids are not to be used for Homoeopathic drugs, because due to want of guarantee  
- contains unchanged all the medicinal sphere  
- action on health and disease state, disease state are same etc.)
16. The advantages of the high potencies (Allg. Hom. Zeit vol. XXXXXVII)  
He endeavored to show that high potencies are

- effacious
- more penetrative
- it can be used for chronic diseases
- it is for curative purpose but not for palliation

17. A contribution to the judgement concerning the characterisitic value of symptoms (Allg. Hom. Zeit vol. XXXXXX P 73)
 

In 12th centurty to remember the thing they were in Leonic verse as is supposed by a certain John of Milan. Dating to same period the theologic scholastics the moral discuss are to be judged of its peculiarities by following verse.
18. concerning philopsia (Allg. Hom. Zeit vol. XXXXXX p 171). Philopsia means mania for drinking - Opium / Bell / Ignatia / has been suggested.
19. The long duration of Action (Allg. Hom. Zeit vol. XXXXXXIII p 117, 1861)
 

Case illustrates are given how various medicines like calc carb/sulph / apis mel in 200 potency in infrequent repetition have come.
20. My treatment of Memberanous Croup (Allg. Hom. Zeit vol. XXXXXXIII p 227, 1861) Treated with Aconite 200 / 2 doses followed by Hep. Sulph. and Spongia without fail.
21. Jenichen' high potencies (Allg. Hom. Zeit vol. XXXXXXI P 70 Described how Arsenic is potentised from 2500 to 8000 and Chamomila is potentised up to 4000 and cures disease
22. the value of high potencies (the American Homoeopathic Revies (march 1860) p 282 - 88, and April 327 - 336. How various medicines have acted curative by him and by other with Dr. B. Finke and Brooklyn N.Y.)
23. Anamnesis of Sycosis (Allg. Horn. Zeit vol. XXXXXXV p 100
 

Attributed disease small pox with sycosis & has described symptoms of Thuja as drug for Sycosis. Related remedies list is given.
24. Concerning motion and rest (Allg. Hom. Zeit vol. vol XXXXXXV p 141 Has described those drugs with their characteristics.
25. Clinical Observation - Journal de la medicine Homoeopathiquea January 1800. Conversion with Dr. De Bonneval is given. Discussion is made regarding the specificity of various drugs likeDiabetes - Colocynth, Paralysis of tongue - Mezerium etc.
26. three precautionary rules of Hahnemann Neues Achiv of hom. Heilkunst vol I No. 1 (1844) P - 69.
  - a. Antipsoric medicines to be prescribed in too small dose
  - b. The wrong chocie of medicine
  - c. The exercise hurry does not allow

27. Warning - The similimum of the dose (Lesser Writings)
- Warning : Namely the selection of right remedy. The observations of Hahnemann mentioned in Chronic Diseases, Organon of Medicine & "Ibid" in lared doses are re-enforced.
28. Hahnemann's doses of Medicines (Neus Achiv der hom Heilkunst vol. I, No. 2 (1844).
- a. In preface to 5th vol of Chronic Diseases Hahnemann gave a hint that before 6th edition regarding the preparation of medicine, we have to content with it.
  - b. Selection of right meedicine is more important that potency & dose with it.
  - c. Increase it rest & additional & increase shaking in the fail.
  - d. Hahanemann used 60th potency for.
  - e. Until he felt an effect, nothing may be spoiled after wards by giving too much or too often.
  - f. Large & small dose depends upon the susceptibility of the patient.
29. The physician Record Book Allgem hom zeit vol. XXXXXXVII p 113 - 165
- Discussion on various aphorisms (Aph. 83 to Aph. 153) of Organon of Medicine are made.
30. Cures of animals with high potencies (Allgem hom. Zeitung, vol. XXXXXXVII p 204) 37 cured cases prescribed in high dilution for various conditions of animals are projected.
31. Experience and high potencies (Neues Archiv for hom heilkunst vol - 3, No.3 - 1846 p - 25) Illusrtation of 12 cases prescribed with high potencies like Sepia - 1500, Calc c. 1500 & how they are cured are discussed.
32. On Toothache
- An essay read by him in 1835 before Allopathic Medical Society of Munister. Published in American Journal of Homoeopathy vol. - VI p 170 American Homoeopathic review vol. VI p 97, Homoeopathic Times (London). Therapeutics of China / cham / Plus
33. From a letter of councillor C.V. Boenninghausen in Muenster to Dr. Stapf. (Neues Archiv. fuer Homeopathische Heikunst vol II No. 1 p 89)
34. Homoeopathic diet and sketch of a complete image of the disease so as to make possible its cure by Homoeopathy (Published for lay public)
- Second augumented edition Munister 1833. Food permitted list & not permitted lists are supplied.
35. Boenninghausen's last work
- Allgen hom zeit vol XXXXXXVIII p - 57
- a. Few suggestions for gradation of symptosm / values have been given Ex. - Nux vom. enjoyed undisturbed sleep at night in Materia Medica Pura symptoms no. 204,

parenthesis ought to be omitted. Suggestions similarly under *Atropa Belladonna* have been given.

- b. The sides of the body and drug affinities have been discussed.