

and often fatal. And as it is well known, that infants are incomparably more liable to spasmodic, and convulsive affections than individuals at any other period of life, we should exercise the utmost discretion in the exhibition of this article; for as children we may say have a predisposition to the above affections, combined with the tendency which mercury has to excite them are considerations, which should make us still more circumspect.

Avoiding excess in using this article may fortunately avert very disastrous consequences. This medicine has been given in very enormous, and I think very unjustifiable quantities; occasionally one hundred, and often fifty or sixty grains have been administered without producing Styalism; this has been we are forced to believe from the respectable authority generally correct, but not invariably. This is however a happy circumstance, for should this take place, very unfortunate consequences might accrue. Mercurial salivation often threatens gangrene, and requires the most assiduous attention of Physician to prevent. This medicine proves a valuable auxiliary when used in moderate, and repeated doses. The