

Tick. Tick. Tick. BOOM!



Listen. Can you hear it ticking? The tick, tick, tick of the time bomb we trigger when we suppress symptoms with allopathic drugs?

The word “symptom” in Latin means “sign.” Hence, symptoms are merely the outward manifestations of a more deeply seated imbalance.

When we simply *remove* the signs of illness, we will be obliged to suffer a more serious illness down the road.

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Josephine Agro had dark, fluttery eyes, and a temperament to be reckoned with.

Some may have politely said she was “spirited.” But may I be

frank? Josephine was known to have violent tantrums. We're not talking about little fits of anger; we're referring to slash-and-burn behavior – the kind of rage that would be grounds for neighbors to call the police.

And Josephine was only thirteen!

But she wasn't always this way.

It seemed as though things shifted in her conduct around the time Josephine hit puberty. Josephine had always had pretty disfiguring eczema, though around the time it cleared up, her behavior had drastically changed.

Her mom sometimes wondered if Josephine was the target of ridicule at school because her skin used to be so unsightly. But that didn't make sense, because her skin was now pretty clear.

In spite of Mrs. Agro's usual natural health standards, in order to potentially relieve her daughter of embarrassment, she had taken Josephine to a dermatologist who, predictably, prescribed steroid cream. Within short order, Josephine's skin was clear. So that couldn't be it.

However, within a few months of getting her skin straightened out, Josephine began to exhibit fierce fits of anger. She was increasingly becoming more demanding, out of hand, and wayward in her actions. Her behavior was caustic at home and her mom hoped that none of it had seeped out into other settings outside their house. Then one afternoon, Mrs. Agro witnessed a disturbing incident at school.

There to take her daughter to dance class, she found Josephine screaming at the top of her lungs – spitting at a group of her classmates. It was a sobering sight. When she queried her on what happened, her daughter stated one of the girls didn't laugh at her joke.

“Her behavior at home has been horrible, but this behavior was downright abnormal.”

A few years back, Mrs. Agro had taken one of my Gateway to Homeopathy Study Group and had become enamored with homeopathy; enough so to continue on with her studies.

A certain book she purchased on her own was one that was written as the very foundation of homeopathy. Though the book was fairly heavy-duty, she had enthusiastically plowed through it last spring. It was titled, [The Organon of the Medical Art by Dr. Samuel Hahnemann](#), edited and annotated by Wenda Brewster O'Reilly.

Now, she thought she recalled that in homeopathy, if skin conditions are suppressed with allopathic drugs, other conditions that are more sobering can come forth. She pawed through the pages and readily found one she had dog-eared when she first studied it.

This is what she read:

- *“Removal of local symptoms results in a heightening of the whole disease.”*
- *“Almost all mental and emotional diseases are one-sided diseases in which the somatic symptoms have diminished, and the mental and emotional symptoms have heightened.”*

The dermatologist had said with confidence the steroid cream was the answer to Josephine's skin problem, and it certainly did make it look remarkably better. But according to the medical text above, the illness was driven to a deeper state. She couldn't help but suspect that the skin eruptions were perhaps removed, only to be replaced by a behavioral problem.

As she read on, Dr. Hahnemann elaborated:

- *"Find out about the patient's somatic disease before it degenerates into a mental and emotional disease."*
- *"Homeopathic treatments can produce rapid and striking results in cases of mental and emotional disease."*

"My God! What have we done?"

"That's it!" she declared, "I'm throwing that ointment into the garbage!" At the same time, she also knew something else was needed to replace it.

The first remedy Mrs. Agro gave her daughter was [Nux vomica 200](#). She chose this because she knew it was a good medicine for ailments resulting from synthetic drugs and was also useful for outbursts of anger; particularly when someone takes simple comments as insults. What completed her decision was the fact that Josephine had been complaining of constipation. At the very least, it was a good place to start.

Just as one might expect, Josephine's skin condition returned and became even *more* prominent along her face once the topical steroid was no longer being applied.

It wasn't easy to witness this development, but Mrs. Agro held steadfast, even against her daughter's protests.

That's when Mrs. Agro gave her [Antimonium crudum 6C](#).

In just about three weeks, Josephine no longer complained of constipation but more importantly, her formerly out-of-control behavior moderated. Even her sleep seemed to have improved.

Then a month later, the last vestiges of Josephine's eczema pretty much disappeared, leaving behind only lightened spots on her tanned skin. Like a choreographed *pas de deux* of the intellect and the corporeal, the human body displayed its harmonious response to her mom's well-chosen homeopathic

medicines.

Today, Josephine is mostly clear of any skin ailments or constipation and has been liberated from the burdens of bad behavior, prior to which could have likely been diagnosed as mental illness!

And Mrs. Agro is more committed to homeopathy than ever before. (Subconsciously, I'll bet the kids at school are grateful, too!)

She recognizes firsthand that it's not really the side effects of drugs that are the scoundrels, but rather that the drugs can drive illness to a deepened state.

This is the potential seed of chronic physical and mental illnesses. Josephine and her family are more convinced than ever that they will remain drug-free. No more ticking time bombs!

Pass on the good news of homeopathy!

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jette". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

P.S. It is noteworthy to observe that Dr. Hahnemann's work is not mere theory but reflects proven laws of human health. These truths have been proven in hospitals, university research, clinics and private practices around the globe. Homeopathy is honored by history, science and proud standing

in the world community of medicine. You can learn more about how to treat every day and even not so everyday illnesses in my [Gateway to Homeopathy: A Guided Study Group Curriculum](#).



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