

VERTIGO, OR DIZZINESS.

In advanced life, this difficulty, if frequent, is symptomatic of disease of the brain in its first stages. It may, however, be caused by poison in the system, such as tobacco, alcoholic liquors, opium, or by some irritation of the stomach, or of the intestines, or some disturbance of the liver, or kidneys, or of the heart, or, in women, by uterine hemorrhage. It is also caused by sexual excesses.

Treatment.— This will depend somewhat on the cause, which must be ascertained and removed if possible. If it is caused by any wrong habit, that habit must be corrected. The cause is some local disease, such as disease of the liver, etc. Treat the local disease as directed under proper heading. The general treatment is the same as for headache and congestion of the brain, which see.