

COLIC, LEAD/ COPPER

Colic is often occasioned by sleeping in a newly painted room, or by working with paint made of white lead, or by working brass and copper.

Symptoms.—Similar to those in wind colic, and in addition, there are severe griping pains at or just above the umbilicus; the edges of the gums are of a purple or lead color.

Treatment.— The same as for the preceding variety (flatulence/ wind colic), viz., large tepid enemas, hot fomentations alternated with cold, to the bowels, and hot, warm, or cold sitz-baths for twenty minutes.