

BEHAVIOURAL MATERIA MEDICA: CAUSTICUM

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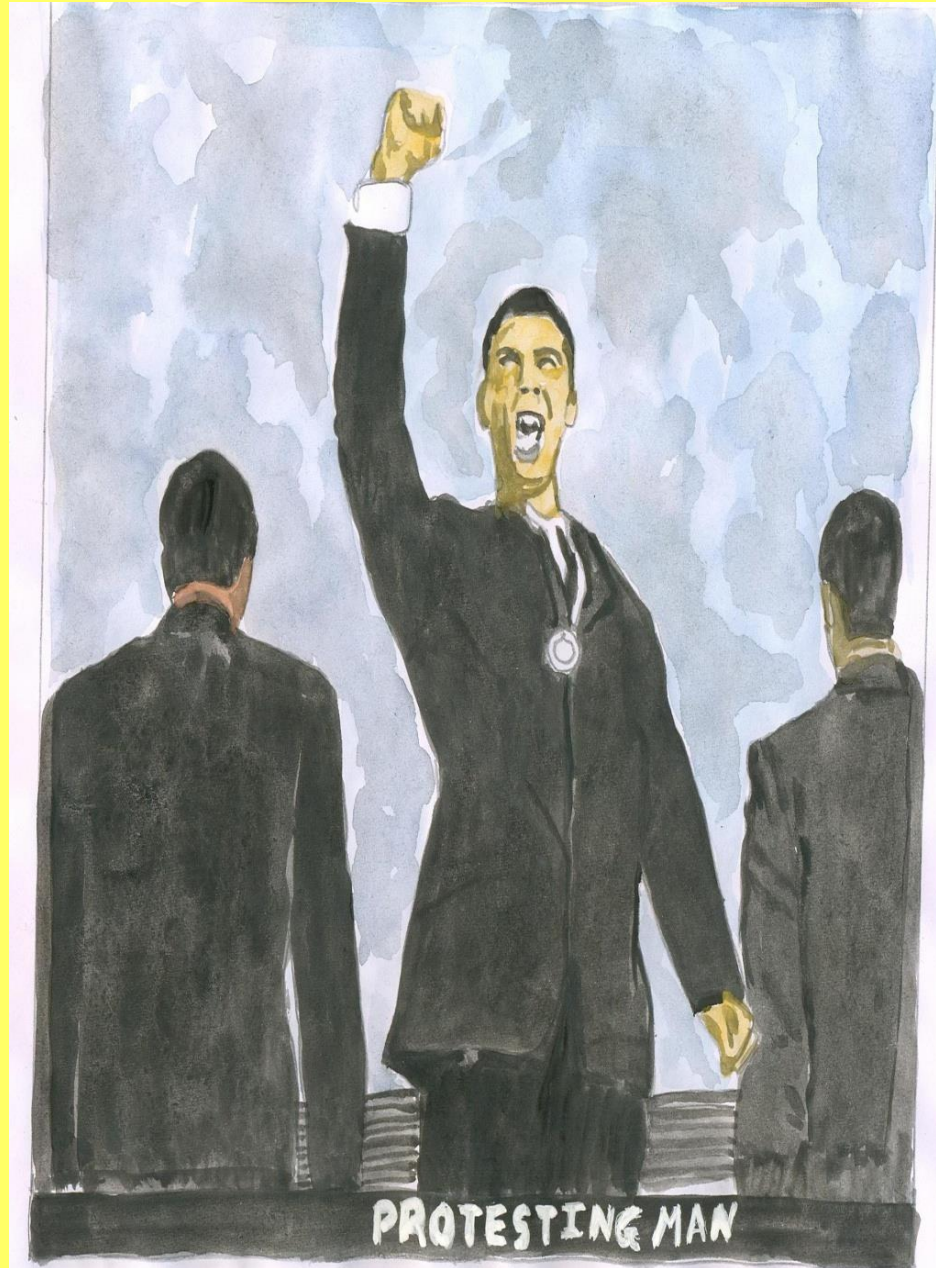
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GESTURE

- **Anxious.**
- **Need to have bond, powers control.**
- **Rational, law-abiding.**
- **Campaigner of justice.**



FACE

FACE OF MR. CAUSTICUM :



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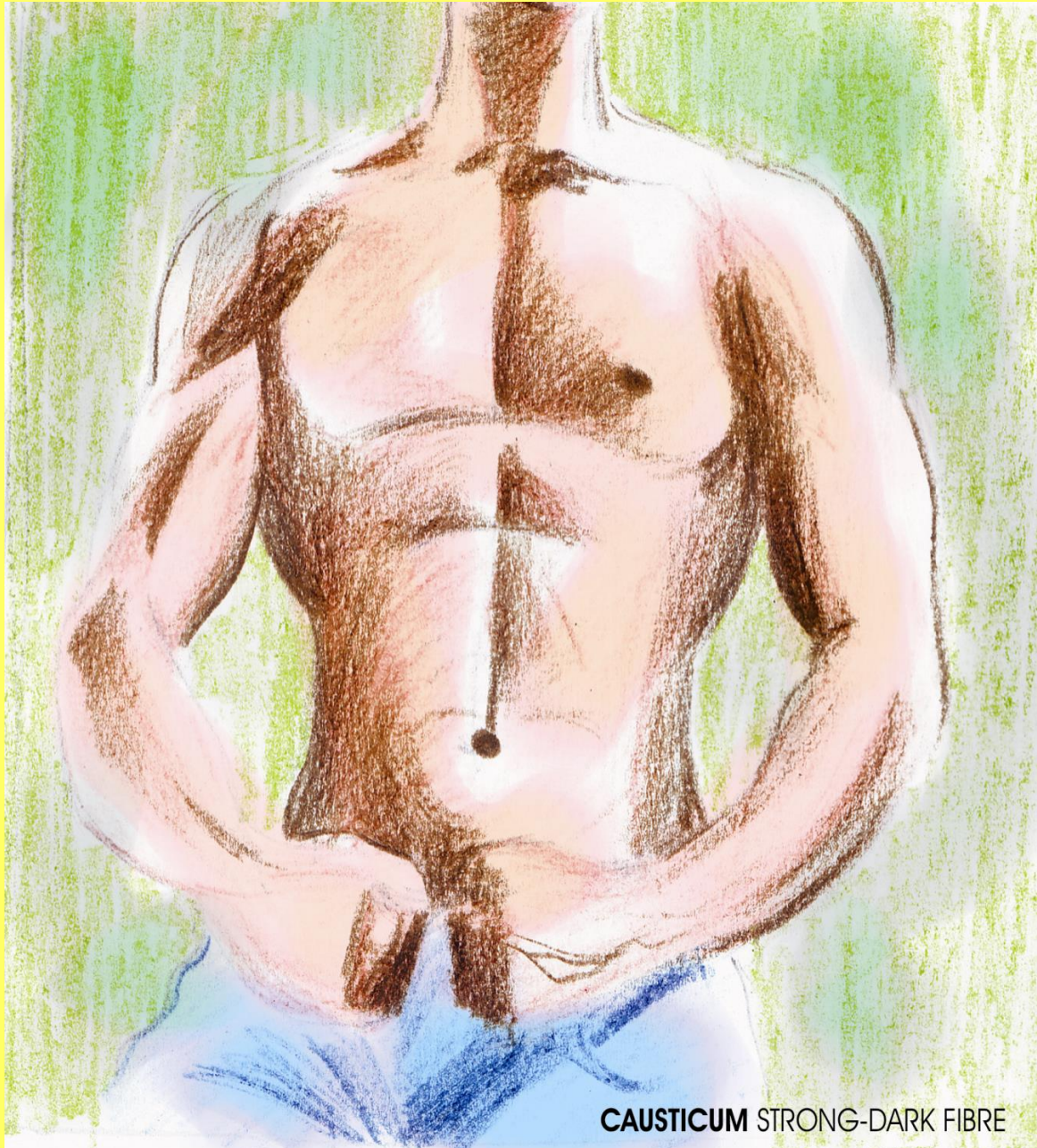


- Dark, stiff and rigid.

- Dark eyed.

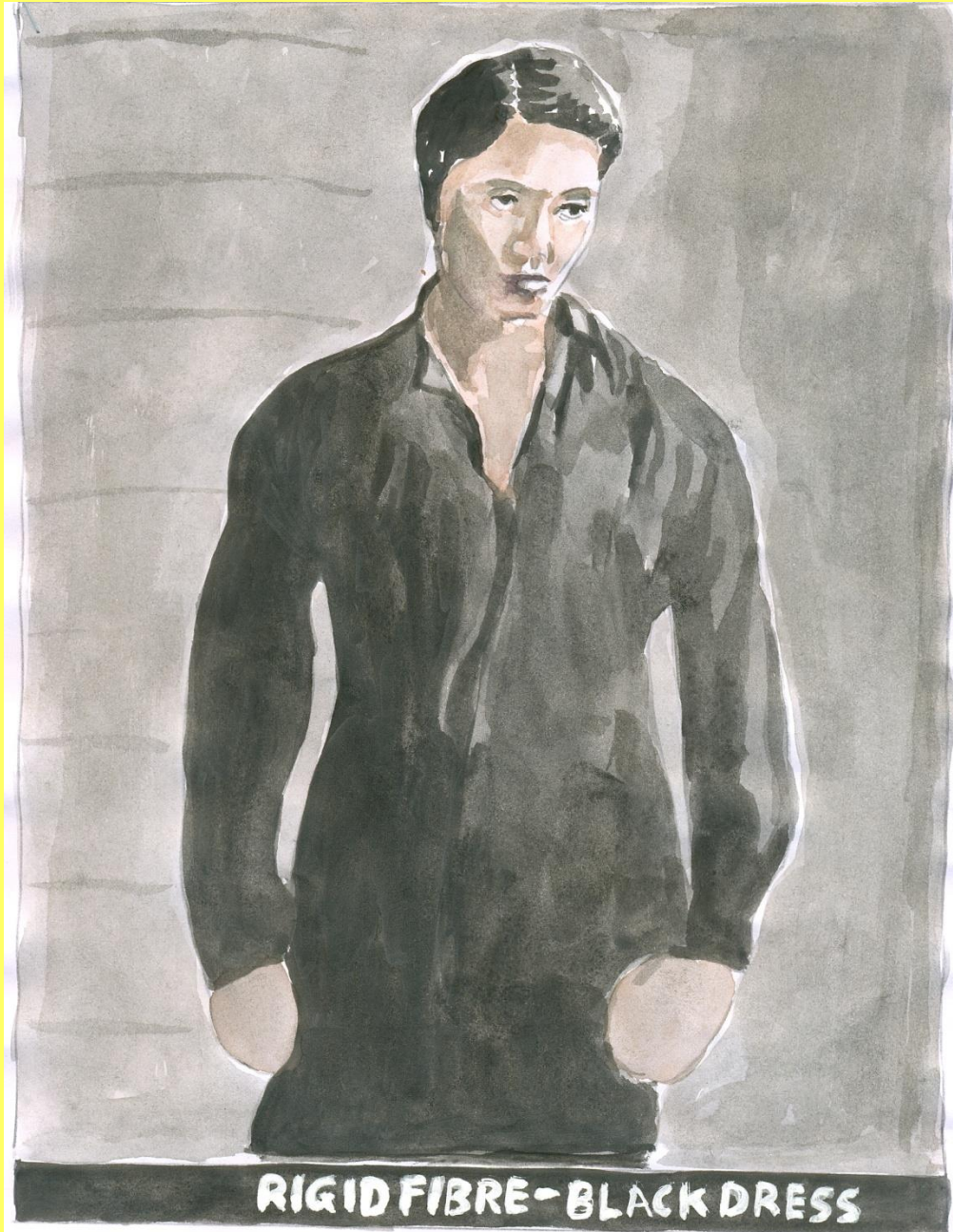
APPEARANCE

- Dark hair.
- **Rigid and strong fibre.**
- Yellow complexion.
- **Dark:**
 - **Mood & temper (hopeless).**
 - **Appearance.**
 - Fears (as if committed crime).
 - Sense (Eye sight: black spots).
 - Modality (twilight).
 - World goes dark.



VOICE

- **Husky, rigid.**
- **Hemming and hawking.**
- **Sense of shakiness and unsteadiness.**
- **Speech – affected, slow, confused.**



TONGUE

- Pain in the dry, sore tongue.
- Painful.



MAKING APPOINTMENT

- **Though believe strictly and rigidly in Alternative Medicine but very pessimistic approach of talking; hopeless feeling.**
- **Will appear on time, on the day!**



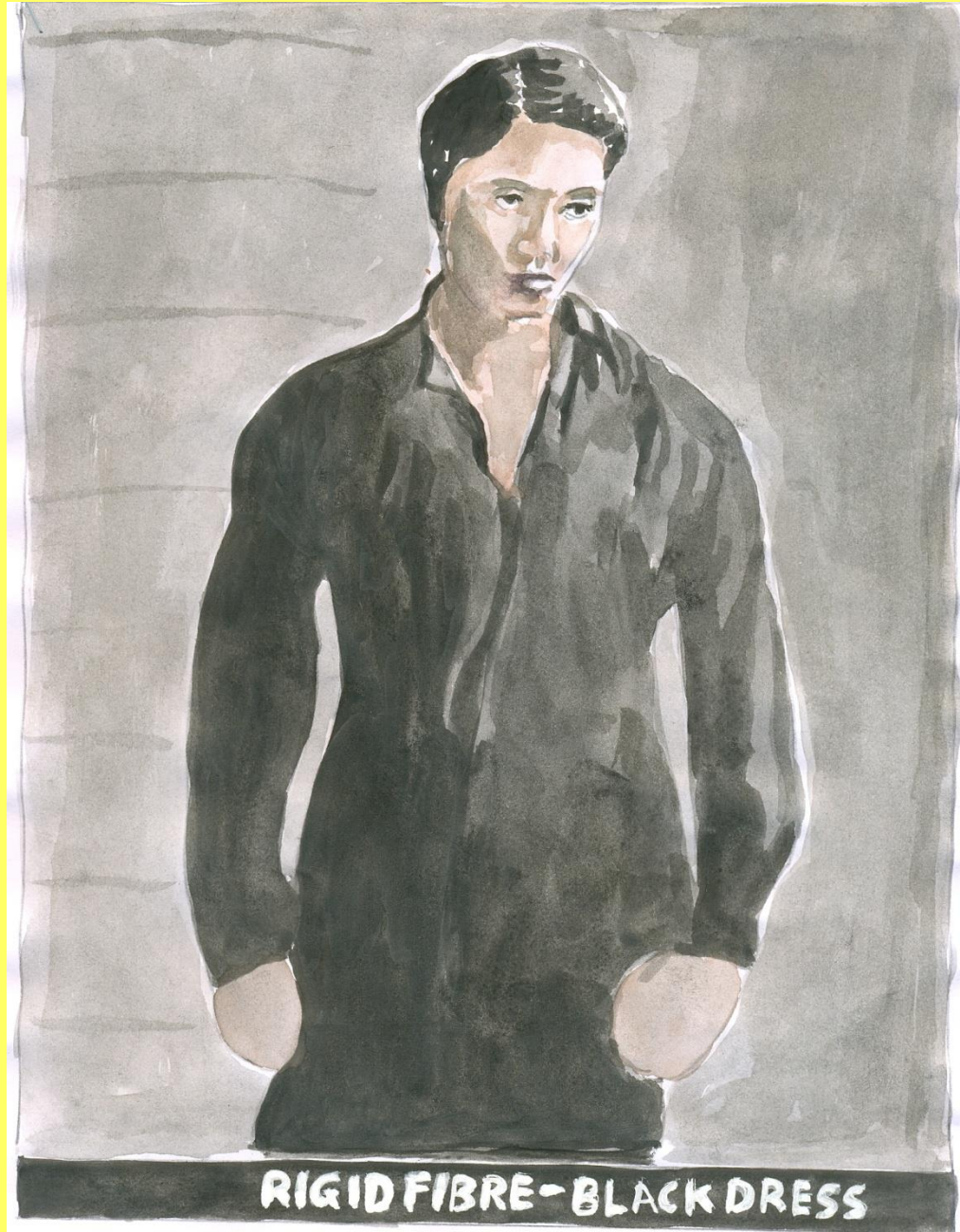
NAIL

- **Strong, rigid, thick, corrugated (Sycotic) + Groove or indentations (pot holes) on nails (Syphilitic).**
- **Crippled.**
- **Ingrowing (Tubercular).**
- **Ingrowing toe nails, twitching sensation.**



DRESS

- **Black,
dark
colours.**



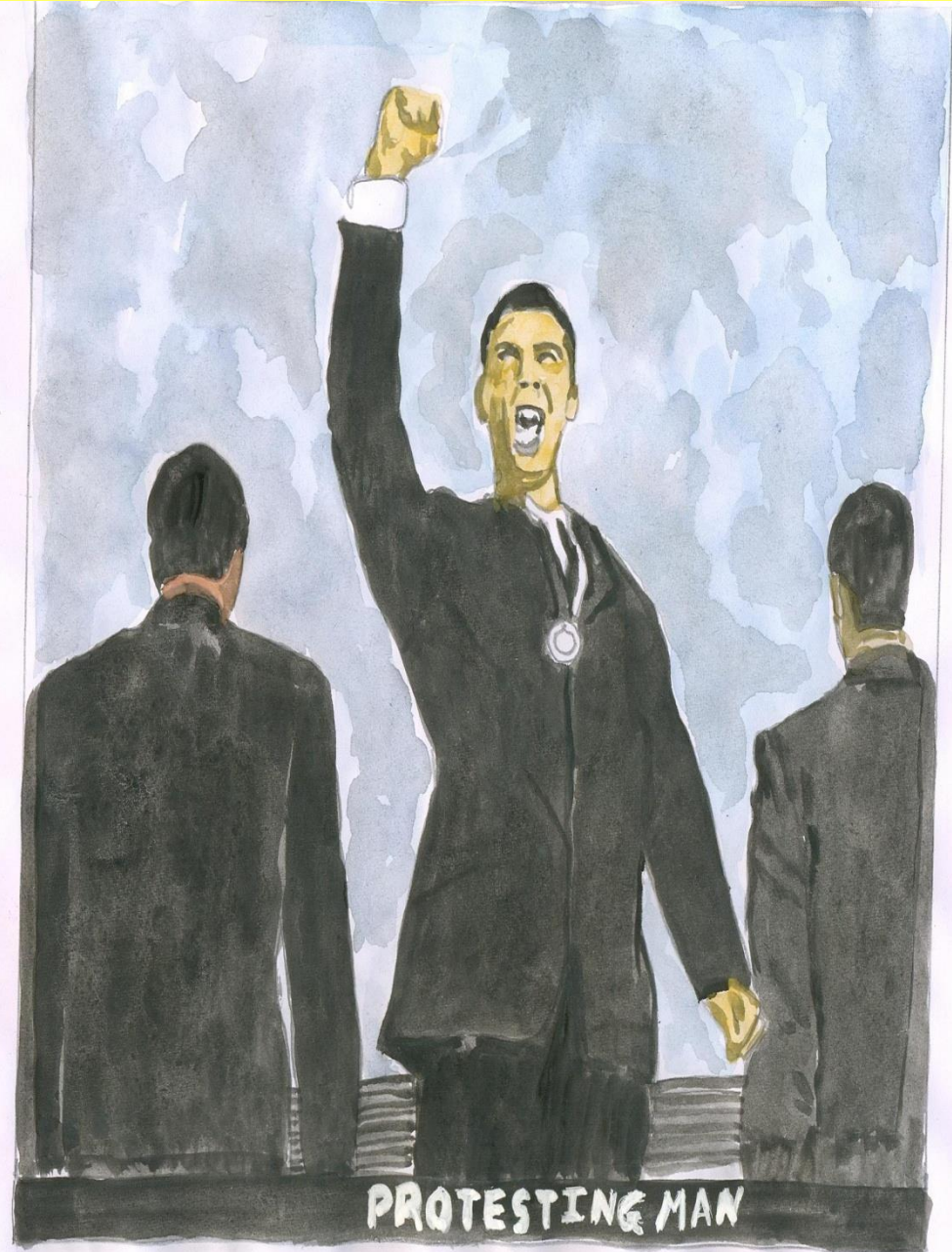
SIT & BEHAVE

- Unsteady <.
- Sympathetic
coarse,
analytical,
pessimistic.



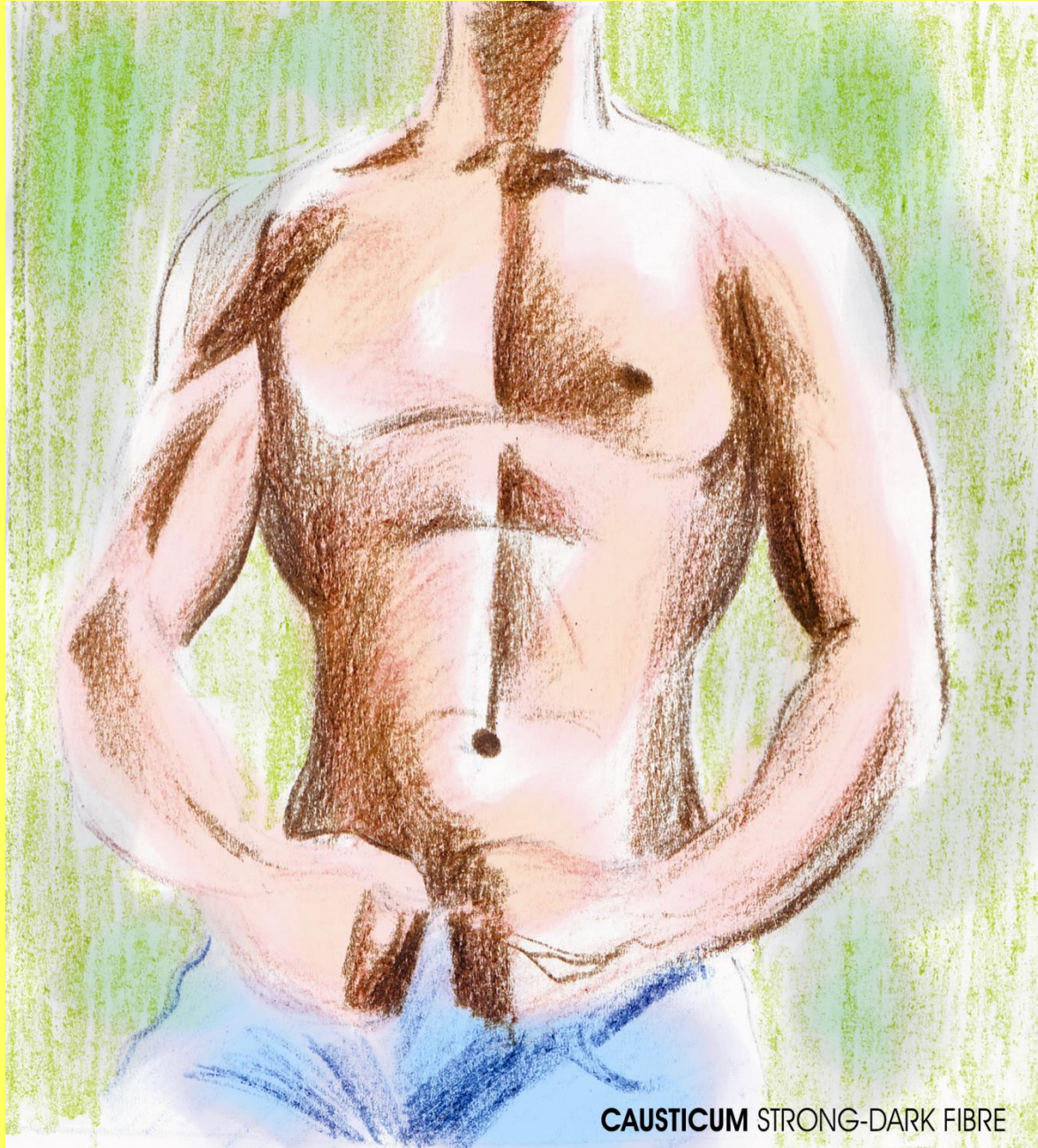
PERSONALITY

- **Sympathetic, compassionate.**
- **I3:**
 - **Incessed.**
 - **Intense.**
 - **Idealistic.**
- **Self righteous.**
- **Law-abiding.**
- **Perfectionist.**
- **Pessimistic.**



LOOK & DIAGNOSE

- **Dark hair.**
- **Rigid fibres.**
- **Yellow complexion.**



BEHAVIOURAL

- **Becomes vegetarian (excessive sympathetic).**
- **Stiff and rigid: immovable: dark mood.**
- **Introvert.**
- **Rebellious, holds grudges.**



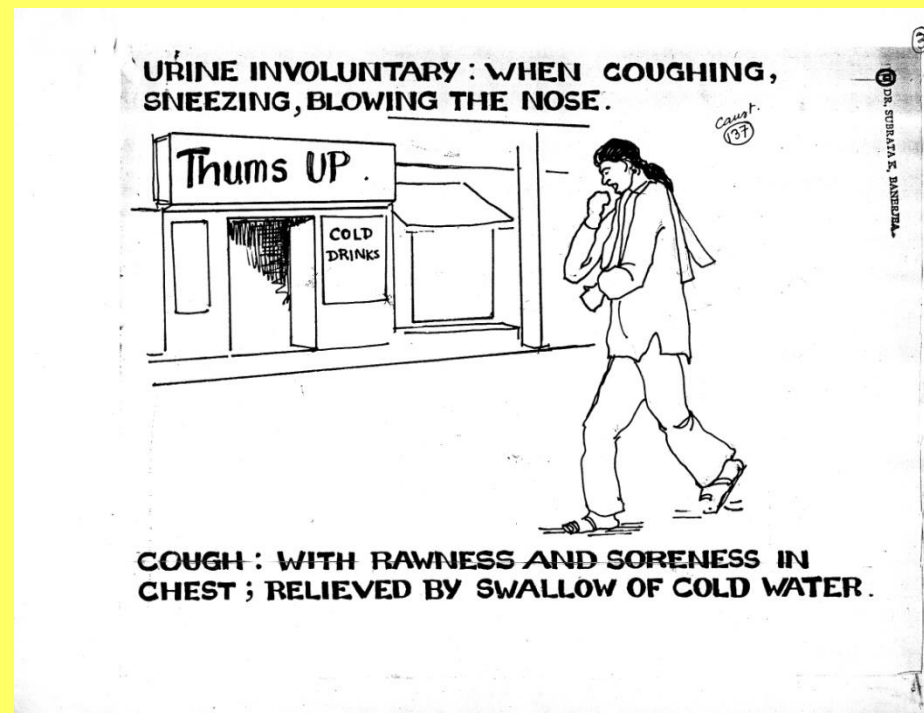
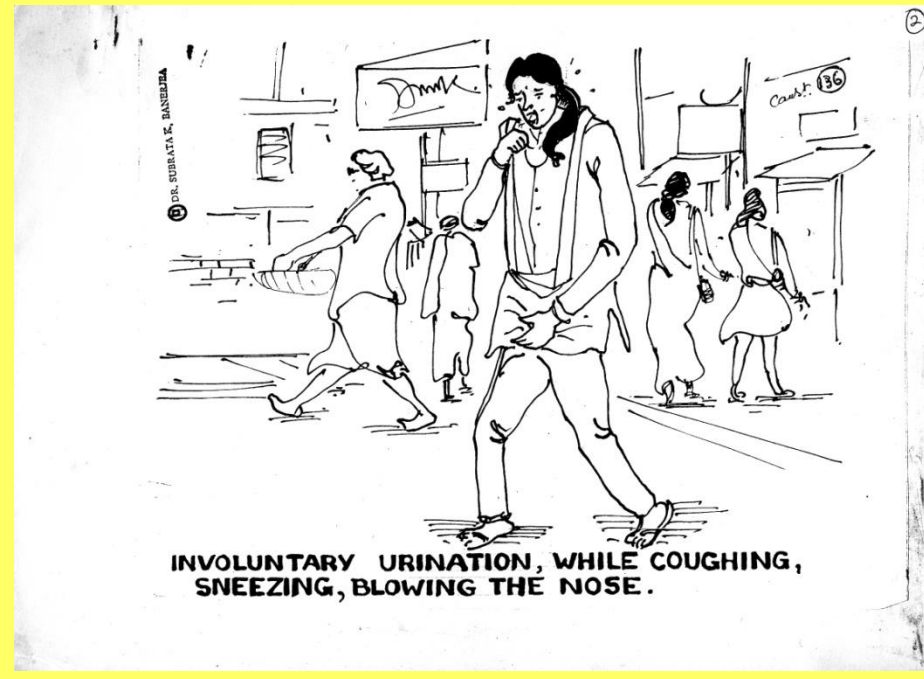
CAUSTICUM DARK MOOD

**Paralysis of single parts:
eyelid (ptosis); larynx:
aphonia; bladder: stress
in continence**

**Paralysis:
Physical**

**Facial
paralysis:
Bell's
palsy**

**Constipation
(rectal
paralysis) >
by defecating
or standing**



**Weak memory
(mental paralysis)**

**Paralysis:
Mental**

**Appre-
hension**

Negative



**CONSTIPATION : FREQUENT, INEFFECTUAL DESIRE,
STOOL PASSES BETTER WHEN PERSON IS
STANDING .**



**PARALYSIS : OF SINGLEPARTS : VOCAL ORGANS,
TONGUE , EYELIDS , FACE , EXTREMITIES , BLADDER ;
GENERALLY OF RIGHT SIDE ; FROM EXPOSURE
TO COLD WIND OR DRAFT ; GRADUALLY
APPEARING .**

Periodic

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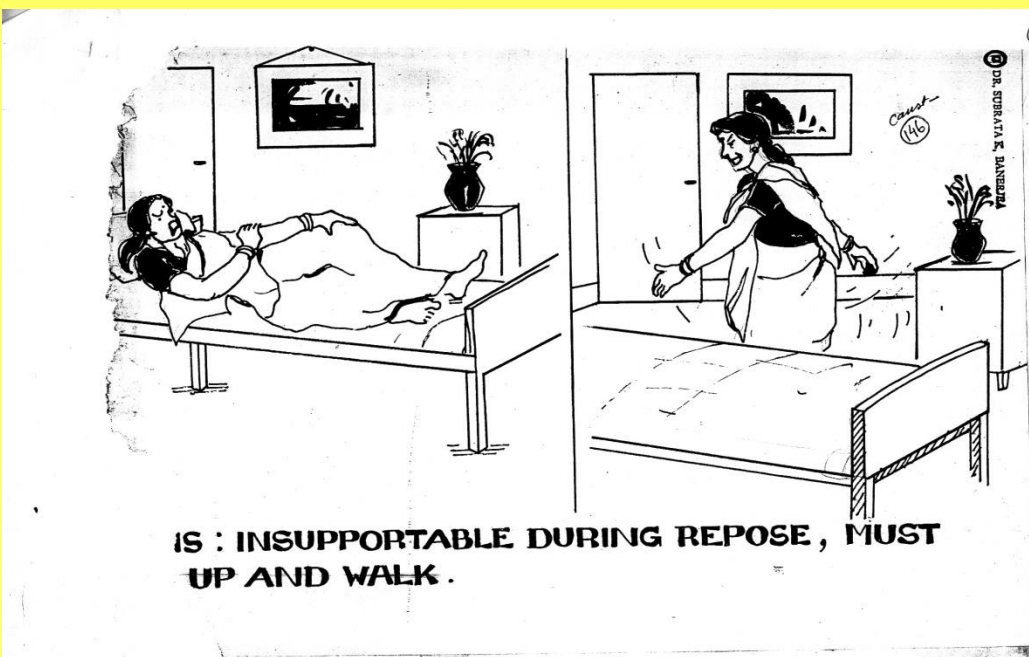
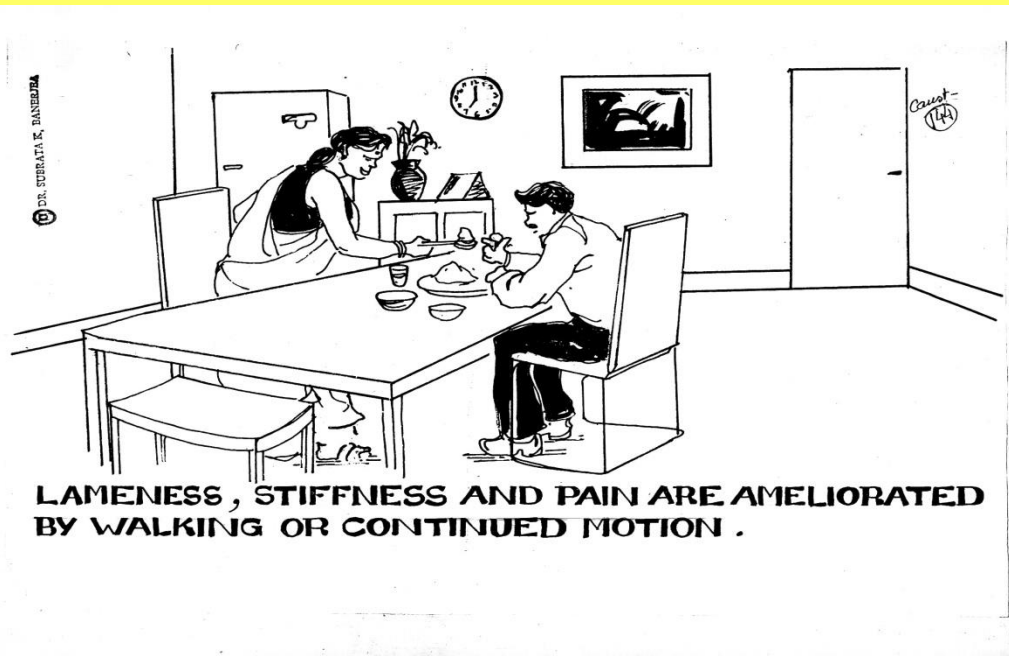
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Hydrogenoid
constitution



Raw → injured mind →
sad, hopeless

Mental

Pessimistic

Fear: that something bad will happen, mental dullness & forgetfulness

Rawness & soreness

The Caustic property → the Doctrine of signature → Burning → rawness & soreness

Sensation as if lime been slaked in the stomach (doctrine of signature)

Physical

Throat, urethra, skin, internal organs raw and sore

Rectum, piles: raw & sore



RAWNESS OR SORENESS : OF SCALP, THROAT, RESPIRATORY TRACT, RECTUM, ANUS, URETHRA, VAGINA, UTERUS .



GREAT RIGIDITY, STIFFNESS, LAMENESS AND PAIN ARE EXPERIENCED ON FIRST MOVING AFTER REST, OR ON GETTING UP IN THE MORNING.

Dark hair

**Look and
diagnose**

**Rigid
fibres**

**Yellow
complexion**



**DR. FARRINGTON REFERS SUITED TO PATIENTS
WHO ARE TIMID, NERVOUS AND ANXIOUS;
FULL OF FEARFUL FANCIES, ESPECIALLY IN THE
EVENING AT TWILIGHT, WHEN SHADOWS GROW
LONGER AND FANCIES MORE RIFE .**

**Mental: Long lasting
grief, long &
suppressed sorrow**

**Long lasting
NBWS**

**Physical:
sustained
night
watching,
NBWS:
burn**

**Dermato-
logical:
ulcers,
maltreated
with lead**

**PATIENTS SAY : THEY NEVER HAVE BEEN WELL
SINCE THAT BURN .**



**CICATRICES , ESPECIALLY BURNS, SCALDS, FRESHEN
UP, BECOME SORE AGAIN ; OLD INJURIES RE-OPEN ;
RHEUMATIC AFFECTIONS, WITH CONTRACTION
OF THE FLEXORS AND STIFFNESS OF THE
JOINTS ; TENSION AND SHORTENING OF
MUSCLES .**

**RHEUMATISM OF SHOULDER JOINT, AGGRAVATION
FROM RAISING ARM ATERALLY.**



**RHEUMTIC AFFECTIONS: AGGRAVATION IN COLD,
WET WEATHER, OR COLD WET CLOTHES .**

Rheumatism



Contraction



Dupuytren's Contracture Hands

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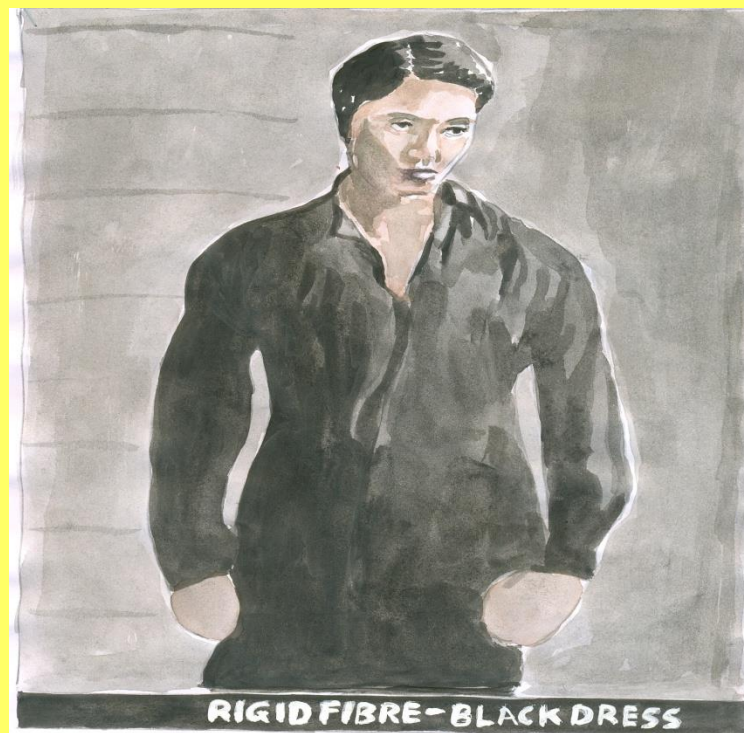
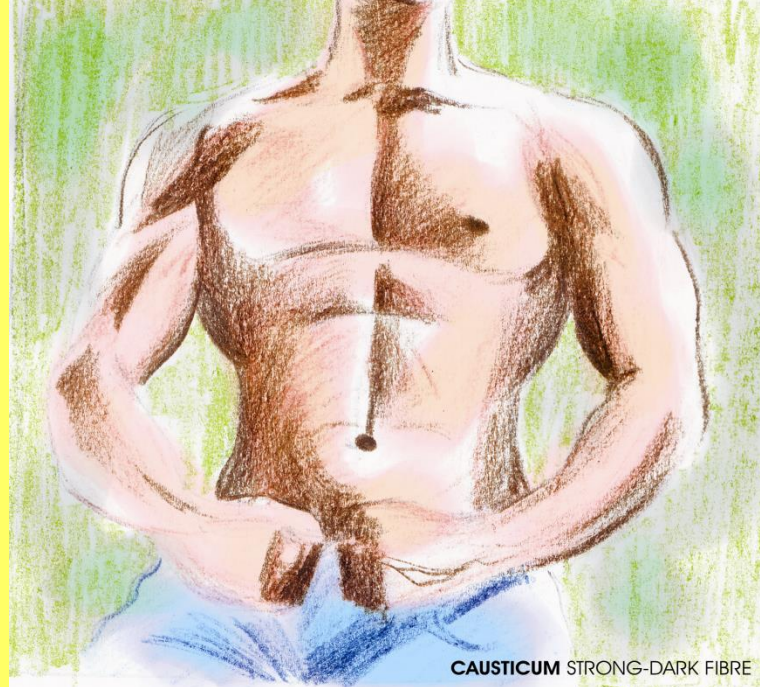


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Appearance



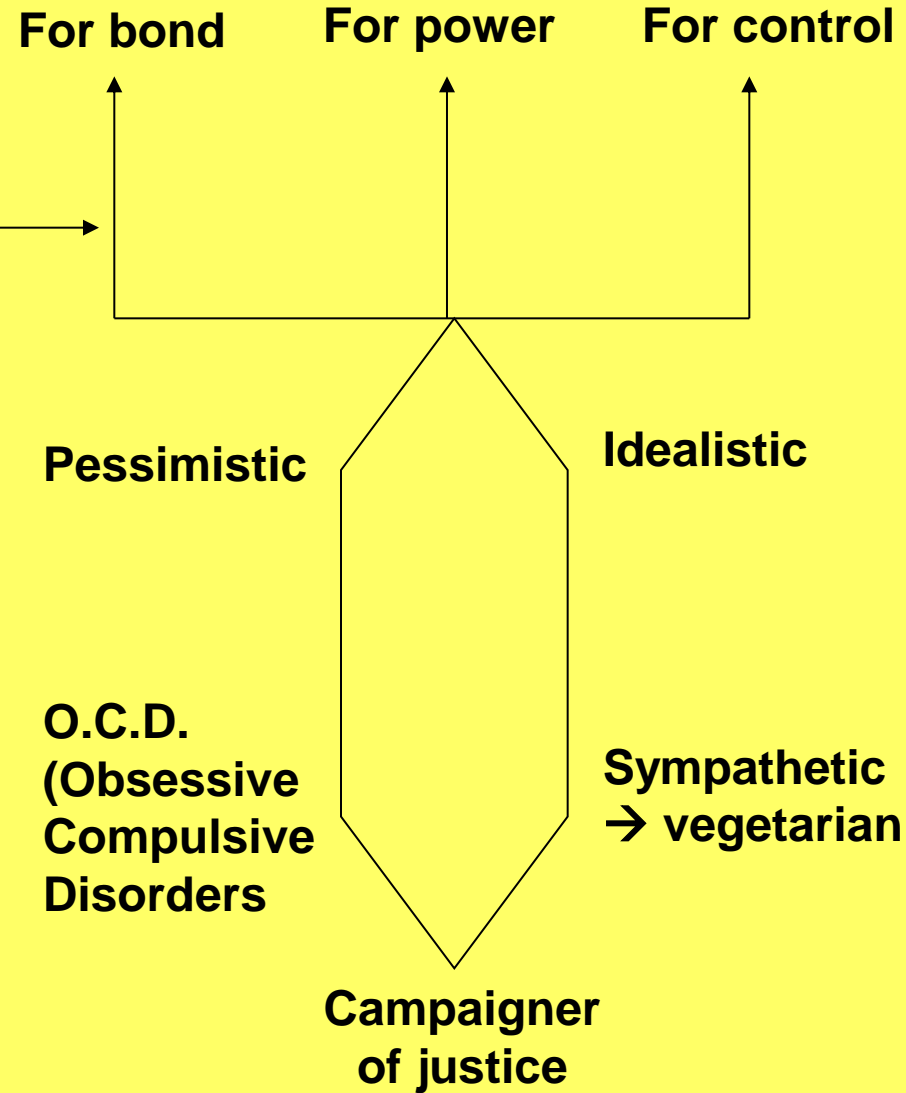
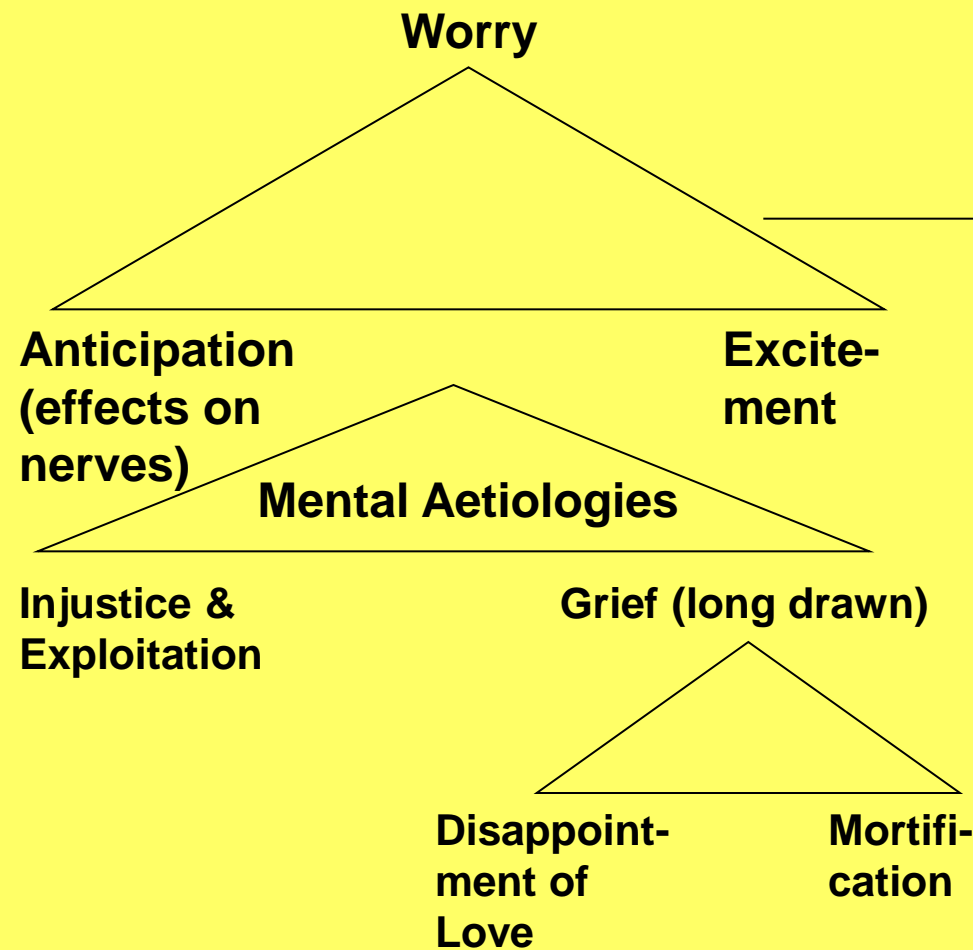
MR. CAUSTICUM: BEHAVE.



Gesture & Behaviour

MENTAL AETIOLOGIES

PSYCHIC MANIFESTATIONS



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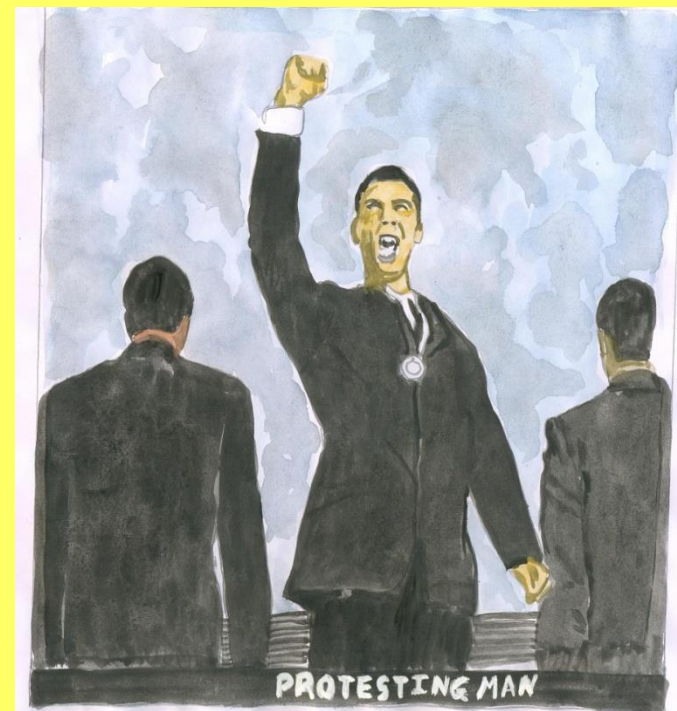
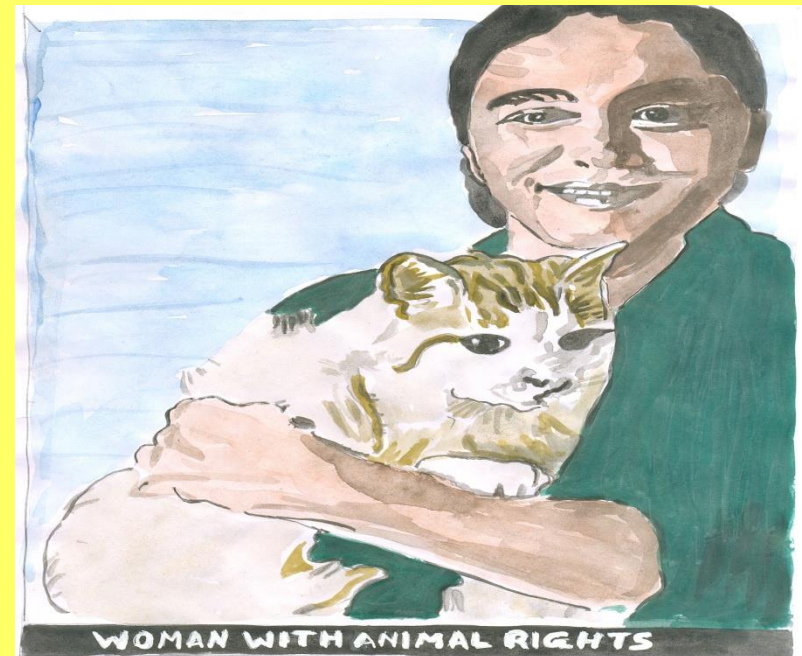


**Excessive sympathy
→ becomes
Vegetarian; energized
by helping others**

Stiff & rigid

**Feeling of
being right
and
concerned
with
'justice'**

**Immovable
(Stiff); Dark
mood**



Campaigner of justice

Romantic

Supportive Reasonable

Compulsive
neurosis
(Compelled
to re-check)

Impends

Dark Misfortune

Close succession
of opposite
phenomenas (joy &
& sad alternates)

Sensitive to
authoritarian control





PESSIMISTIC



PESSIMISTIC 2

Pessimism

REACTION TO EMOTIONS

- **Grieving or sad mood:**
Sadness in amenorrhoea.
- **Anxious mood:** Anxiety,
after stool, from
ineffectual desire.
- **Aggressive mood:** Before
menses.
- **Personality:** Independent.
- **Envious mood:** Defiant.
- **Miserable nature:**
Pessimist to make people
& animal suffer (the other
extreme).



CAUSTICUM PESSIMISTIC

THANK YOU!
