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Cholera, a disease caused by impure water, was a chronic problem. An Ottoman cartoon from 1911 satirizes life during a cholera outbreak. In the first part, a woman has stomach cramps while walking down a street. Since stomach cramps are a symptom of cholera, officials rush to disinfect her.

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Acte I

برنجی برده ..

FIGURE 9. A play in two acts. Act I: A suspicious encounter.

In the second part, we see that the cramps are caused by something different entirely! (Note what is on the top of the blanket on the bed.)

Un cas suspect! Comédie en 2 actes.



Acte II

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FIGURE 10. A play in two acts. Act II: The happy resolution.

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