

Hospital practice, in cases of *Tinea Capitis*, with equally successful results, and much to the surprise of many intelligent students, who closely watched the cases and witnessed with surprise the rapidly beneficial effects of it.

I have lately had an opportunity of trying it in a case of *Psoriasis Inveterata*, a disease which is allowed by all writers to be a very troublesome and intractable one, and the most obstinate of all the forms of scaly tetter. The patient had been suffering from it over three years, and had been under the care of several practitioners during that time, without deriving any benefit from the treatment employed by them. The greater part of his body was covered with the disease, as was also his neck, arms, and thighs. I immediately ordered him to apply cod-liver oil to the parts affected, and to keep them constantly covered with it, and in less than three weeks he was very much improved, most of the scabs had become dry and were falling off, and the skin underneath them assuming its natural colour. This man, being an in-door patient of the St. Patrick's Hospital, was repeatedly seen by many Medical friends, both civil and military, and was discharged completely cured in seven weeks.

In consequence of the success attending my use of it in these and various other cases of "Skin diseases," my friend, Dr. Arnoldi, was induced to try its effects in cases of extensive burns, and in these the cures might be said to be truly miraculous. In one, a man, who, when drunk, actually *roasted the whole of his back*, the constant application of cod-liver oil to it, produced cicatrisation in a very short time, without suppuration or any contraction; this case was also seen by several Medical men, as the patient was an inmate of the Montreal General Hospital, and they all agreed that it was a surprising case. Dr. A. has also frequently used it with equally good effects in cases of frost bites, and I may mention that I have used it in the same way in two cases of mild *Erysipelas* with similar beneficial results.

These remarks are not offered to the profession under the impression that there is anything particularly new in using cod-liver oil as an application in cutaneous affections, as I believe it has been occasionally used in this way for years. My only object is to call the attention of the profession to the very beneficial effects derived from the local application of so simple a means. I shall not attempt to explain the theory of its action further than by saying it presents all the properties of a "drying oil," and in some cases has produced considerable *burning heat* and intense pain in the parts to which it has been applied, and in one, that of *Acne Rosacea*, I was obliged to discontinue its use on the fourth day, from this very circumstance. And I entirely agree with Mr. Donovan's remarks as published in Rankin's Abstract, that "it is a most wonderful addition