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which he used now with more care and intelligence. His recovery has been an excellent one, with nearly two inches of shortening, but with such an amount of abduction as permits him to walk very well without the use of any cork.

Briefly, the treatment may be ummarized as follows:

1. Hip disease, as ordinarily spoken of, implies tuberculosis at the hip joint.

2. Constitutional treatment comprises:

(a) The suitable use of drugs.

(b) A skillfully arranged dietary, in which fats should hold a prominent place.

(c) Direct solar therapy has proved the most important agent. It should be continued throughout the whole day every day and for many months. The affected parts, and as much of the body as possible, should, in the nude state, be exposed directly to the sun's rays.

3. Local treatment comprises recumbency upon the Bradford trame, affording an opportunity to secure:

(a) Efficient rest.

(b) Traction to correct deformity, to prevent adduction and flexion, and to bring down the femur to a correct relationship with the pelvis.

4. A brace which will serve both as a crutch and as a means of preventing the recurrence of adduction and flexion, the brace to be worn until complete convalescence has resulted.