

some cases the skin remained quite normal, as on the back and posterior part of the thighs. This confluent eruption might easily have been mistaken for a relapse or fresh scarlatinal eruption, the more so that the temperature rose and the child suffered from convulsions ; when one looked closely at these spots (about the size of the palm of the hand) one saw white wheals as in urticaria \* \* \* \* \*

The following case is interesting because this patient suffered from two true attacks of scarlatina within a short space of time. Two brothers, F. (7 years) and E. ( $3\frac{1}{2}$  years), strong healthy boys, suffered during the past winter from measles, and a short time after from varicella, both diseases ran a normal course ; four weeks after recovery from varicella the youngest took scarlatina with the usual prodromal symptoms ; the throat symptoms were mild, the throat uniformly red with spots of yellow-green exudation on the tonsils which were easily removed. The eruption over the body, extremities and back, was uniform and not very severe. The eruption first appeared in the inguinal region, as fine red points ; the forehead remained free from eruption throughout. The fever was not high, and disappeared at the beginning of the second week. Desquamation was well marked towards the end of the second week, and in the third week the skin of the palm of the hand and sole of the foot came off in one piece. Recovery was complete in four weeks. In the mean time the elder brother had been completely separated and so escaped the disease. He went to school where some cases of scarlatina occurred. After the dwelling had been thoroughly disinfected and aired, the elder boy came home and for six weeks remained healthy ; in the beginning of the month of April he was taken with a very severe attack of scarlatina, which, in spite of the unfavourable symptoms at the beginning, ran a favourable course ; throat affection existed in only a slight degree, and the forehead throughout remained also free from eruption. Some head symptoms existed in the beginning of the attack. The eruption itself was a bright red, (and with the exception of the forehead) covered the whole body. After six weeks desquamation began and involved the whole body. As the younger brother had