

it crusts up with the exudate and may cause the clothing and bedding to adhere to the diseased surface. False hair may set up an eczema of scalp or forehead ; a bad ear-ring an eczema of ear. Friction from hat-bands, “frizzes,” “bangs” and dyed veils may produce acne—(*Wigglesworth*). In soldiers the helmet sometimes gives rise to an eczema. A stiff, ill-ventilated hat may produce alopecia.

The dermatoses principally affected by the clothing are :

*Dermatalgia*—The clothing becomes simply unbearable.

*Dermatitis Congelationis*—Tight clothing and boots tend to it.

*Erythema Intertrigo*—Heavy underclothing, tight or ill-fitting garments ; hard, foul and wet diapers may cause it.

*Urticaria, sudamina, hyperidrosis, bromidrosis, miliaria* may all be caused by too heavy or tight underclothing in hot weather ; flannels or apparel colored with poisonous dyes may produce urticaria ; woollen fabrics may cause miliaria.

*Eczema Genitalium*—Eczema of the genitals may be excited by the irritation of the clothing while walking. Sweat may be effused in a normal condition upon and with articles of clothing and cause a stench by chemical changes both in the clothing and fluid. Urine may be retained upon the underclothing and set up a persistent dermatitis of the scrotum, perineum or inner surfaces of the thighs in either sex.

*Onychogryphosis*—Tight-fitting gloves, boots and shoes may cause it.

*Pruritus*—Heavy bedclothes or the friction of the clothing may produce it.

*Pruritus Digitorum Pedis*. Acute and Chronic Eczema.—Irritation of underclothes or dyes contained in them.

*Erythema Pernio. Furunculi*—Irritation of clothes.

*Seborrhæa Corporis*, or Unna's *Eczema Seborrhoicum*—Flannel may produce these, also *Tinea Versicolor*, and in infants the so-called *Lichen Strophulosus*.

*Acne*—Woollen fabrics. *Acne artificialis* limited to the forehead may be caused by the irritation of some enamelled hat-band, likely containing arsenic. This should be replaced by a soft linen or silk lining. A feather pillow often increases the congestion of the face in acne.