

ely ever feel it. I first prepare the vaccine by crushing down a small piece of vaccine crust and rubbing it into a paste with a little water ; then having only removed the epidermis by gently rubbing the flat point of a good lancet, backwards and forwards until blood just appears but does not flow, I take the virus on the point of the lancet I rub it in, in the same manner as before until the blood and matter become incorporated and then allow it to dry before covering it up. I always endeavour to avoid a flow of blood as the virus may, in such case, be carried away with it, and so fail in effecting its purpose.

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ART. XXIX.—*Clinical Selections.* By WM. WRIGHT, M.D., L.R.C.S.E.,
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II. *Syphilis in Canada as denoted by Sibbens.*

CASE.

Mrs. D——, a respectable and virtuous woman, about two months married, has been affected with secondary syphilis for three weeks, ignorant of its nature or of the occurrence of any primary symptoms, and her husband positively denied ever having had syphilis but acknowledged that he once had a sore mouth from smoking strange pipes. On being examined, his throat and inside of lips present marks of secondary syphilis ; the skin of both his fore-arms exhibits the cicatrices of former rupia, which he referred to a severe attack of *small pox*, “the sores” from which became so bad that they had to be burned before they would heal ! On the exterior of the prepuce is a small soft swelling over the site of a former chancre, and on the mucous lining, near its junction with the cutaneous covering is an open sore, answering to Mr. Wallace’s second variety of superficial primary syphilis. Mrs. D. has an affection of the scalp, which has been pustular, but the contents have dried, and it now consists of a number of small crusts dotted over her head ; hair falls out when combed—these were among the first signs she saw of ill health ; a papular eruption over the whole body, which has only appeared within the last two or three days ; a *granular reddish tubercle*, discharging pus the size of a hazel nut, looking exactly like a sibbens, on the left side of the face, behind the commissure of the lips, where her husband had been in the habit of kissing her ; on the corresponding side of the neck, below the angle of the inferior maxillary bone a swelling as large as a pigeon’s egg, from an inflamed lymphatic gland, it is hard, slightly painful, though not tender, not indicat-