

One of his sons and his wife were always with him. On the 7th I injected the colloid cysts with 3ss of perchloride daily for three days, and afterwards alternately with methyl-violet. It soon began to break up, and showed signs of necrosis, but did not open till the 25th, when three openings gave vent to a brown, grumous, offensive discharge. Sulphurous acid (one to six water) was then injected into the cyst, 3ij at a time, and afterwards one part to four, which quite removed all offensive smell, although the mass was entirely necrosed.

On the 25th, September internal medicines were for the first time commenced, to support his strength, his appetite beginning to fail. Quinine, phosphoric acid, and methylene-violet were given internally with good results three times a day, with wine. He had been taking nutritious soups, eggs, etc., from the time the difficulty of swallowing ceased, which was a few days after his arrival.

On October 6th, I was confined to bed, completely prostrated by a severe attack of epidemic influenza, and Dr. Edwin Atherstone took charge of the patient for me. On the 16th, the patient's brothers came up and induced him to leave for home, and all attempts to dissuade him failed. He thanked me for my care and kindness, but went off the same evening by train to travel 600 miles, over a hundred of it in a spring wagon over the mountain range in winter. I heard that he died eleven days afterwards from exhaustion, free from pain and in the possession of all his senses. He died on the 28th of October.

In this case I trusted entirely to *local* treatment by hypodermic injections of germicides; it was too far advanced to trust to methyl-violet alone, as I intended to do if in the early stage, but the combination of the two by alternate injections, and afterwards by both combined, sufficed to reduce pressure and consequent pain; and there was no constitutional disturbance, no extension to glands, etc., no *anodyne* of any kind was given, either internally or by hypodermic injections. Forty-five injections were given during the fifty-two days of treatment. The sulphurous acid injections into the necrosed colloid mass prevented the poisoning of the system by the gangrenous discharge usual in such cases. I gave the methyl-violet in the quinine mixture more to affect the *mind*, the color being so exquisite, and *mind* and faith have a marvellous curative effect in disease. At any rate, I think this local treatment is worthy of a trial.—W. Guybon Atherstone, M.D., F.R.C.S., England, in the *Hospital Gazette*.

At a conference of public bodies held in Edinburgh, it was stated that Sir Archibald Geikie has been nominated for the Presidency of the meeting of the British Association in Edinburgh in the year 1892.

AN IOWA QUACK.

Fearing lest a benefactor to his race should be compelled by his native modesty to blush unseen, and waste his sweetness on the desert air, we give space in our columns to a remarkable instance of his diagnostic skill. From Dr. J. G. Pace, of Nebraska, we received the following edifying document, which is printed *verbatim et literatim*:

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PROCLAMATION

—OF—

DR. O. G. W. ADAMS TO THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD.

COLFAX, IOWA, JANUARY, 1890.

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