

an injury to his knee. In a suit instituted by the widow for damages, expert testimony was introduced to show that the knee became diseased in consequence of the accident, and that the base of operations thereby afforded allowed the bacilli to attack the system and establish their throne in the lungs. Though the defence produced a witness who testified there could be no connection between the injury and the death, the jury returned a verdict of \$6,500 for the plaintiff. Almost a precisely parallel suit recently occurred in the city of Detroit, whereby a woman obtained damages from the municipality on the strength of testimony that her consumption was the result of a miscarriage induced by a fall

upon a defective sidewalk. Strange to say, there was no difficulty in obtaining expert testimony to uphold the pleas made by the attorneys for the plaintiff, and even an expert witness for the defence was so twisted about that his testimony was affirmative rather than negative.—*Medical Age*.

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