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Cases of Acute Rheumatism, complicated with congestion of the Lungs. By R. W. JACKSON, F.R.C.S.I., &c., Surgeon to the 100th Royal Canadian Regiment.

During the past winter cases of Rheumatism have been both numerous and very severe, with tendency to various complications, in my limited practice in the head quarter wing of the 100th Regiment, and also in the experience of the profession in Ottawa, as I have ascertained by reference to several of the faculty here. I submit the accompanying cases, complicated in one instance with pulmonary congestion which proved the cause of death; and in the other with cardiac symptoms and also pulmonary congestion, happily proving but temporary derangements of function.

Case 1.-Private J. Vanburen, aged 26 years, service eight years.

Disease, Rheumatismus Acutus-Admitted to hospital, December 31st, 1866.

January 1st.—A strong well built man, has been but three times in Hospital since enlistment; had fever at Malta, came to hospital on Saturday last complaining of a cold and pain in chest; was detained for the day, and as he reported himself well at the evening visit was allowed to return to barracks; was carried to hospital yesterday, symptoms on admission were fever, loss of power, and pain extending from shoulders to wrists, and from knees to ankles; pulse one hundred and twenty, compressible, tongue furred, bowels open. Had a grain of opium and warm bath on admission; with these symptoms this morning he also complains of profuse sweats at night when the pain in limbs is much aggravated; no cardiac symptoms—was ordered opium one grain, three times daily, an alkaline mixture and warm fomentations to arms and legs; at the evening visit he felt relieved by the fomentations.