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CASE OF SYCOSIS,—TREATED BY CARBOLIC ACID AND CANADA BALSAM.

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R. B. M., short, and of a nervo-sanguineous temperament, applied to me on the 22nd of May, 1874, suffering from an attack of Sycosis or Mentagra. He says that he contracted the disease at a barber's shop, about three weeks before. Had been under treatment elsewhere for about two weeks, and as no improvement had taken place, he was much discouraged. He had become thin, nervous, irritable and sleepless, and his strength and appetite had failed. The disease was confined to those parts covered by the beard, whiskers and moustache, and was accompanied in some cases by inflammation, in others by induration, and in some by suppuration. Numerous scabs also were present. The pustules were characteristic, small and acuminated, and a hair traversed the centre of each. The scabs and pustules were more numerous on the left side and under the chin than elsewhere. Hairs when extracted looked as if covered with a whitish powder.

Treatment.—He had been using benzoated oxide of zinc ointment. I prescribed an ointment of ac. carbolic gr. x to ung. zinc. ox. ζ i, to be applied thoroughly two or three times a day, the hairs to be first cut short, and the parts washed with juniper tar soap. He was put upon iodide of potassium with