

constitution commenced to regain its tranquillity and the mind its powers, the great source of metritic irritation being removed through rapid direct counter irritation. In addition, the system was supported by wine, beef-tea, and ammonia. The case progressed to a most favorable termination in the course of ten days without any further trouble. The infant has not so far contracted the disease from which, under existing circumstances, it may be free. In this case there was no tendency to puerperal insanity of the hereditary type, such as has been made out by Gooch, Burrows, Esquirol, and many others.

Ottawa City, Dec. 15, 1864.

Case of Delirium Tremens, treated by Digitalis. Recovery. By J. H. HUNT, L.R.C.S.I., Assistant Surgeon 1st Batt. Prince Consort's Own Rifle Brigade.

Private John McN——, aged 37, presented himself at the Regimental Hospital, the morning of the 11th May, 1864, complaining of pain in the joints of the lower extremity, anorexia, and loss of sleep. His general appearance indicated that of a man suffering from the effects of protracted tipping.

He was ordered to bed, and alcoholic stimulants and opiates were administered.

May 12th.—Loss of sleep during the night, accompanied with violent delirium; pulse accelerated; tongue tremulous, moist and creamy; surface of body covered with cold clammy sweat; bowels open.

Beef tea and alcoholic stimulants, and the following draught every three hours:

R. Spt. eth. chlorici, m. 40.
Sol. mur. morph, m. 30.
Mist camphoræ, ʒj., misce.
Ft. haustus.

Slight improvement since morning.

6 p. m.—Slept about one hour; vomiting set in, which was checked by effervescent draughts.

13th.—Third day of attack; passed a sleepless night; was violently delirious, which, at the time of visit, assumed a low muttering type; constant jerking of the limbs, and pricking at the bedclothes. Pulse 150, weak and intermittent; surface of body covered with cold clammy sweat. He was evidently sinking.

As la médecine expectante was obviously inexpedient, and, as no time