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## THE INTERNAL TREATMENT OF LUPUS ERYTHE-MATOSUS WITH PHOSPHORUS.\*

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Lupus erythematosus is recognized as one of the most rebellious of the diseases of the skin, and any substantial addition to its therapeutics must be as welcome to others as it has been to the writer.

Having employed the treatment about to be recommended for about ten years, and in perhaps fifty cases, I take pleasure in calling attention to the same, feeling confident that, if rightly used, others will find the same excellent results which I have obtained in a considerable proportion of the cases.

Before detailing the method of treatment advocated, I will very briefly present a table of the cases which have come under my observation in private practice, and in the clinics of the New York Hospital, the New York Skin and Cancer Hospital, and the clinic of the Post-Graduate Medical School. The records' of the cases treated in earlier clinics are not now readily accessible, but would considerably increase the number of the cases.

The number of cases here collected amounts to 97, seen in a total of 20,798 cases of miscellaneous diseases of the skin; in

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