

consulted me for the syphilitic lesions and not for the tapeworm; said he had given up all hopes of having it entirely removed, and it gave him no inconvenience beyond the disagreeable sensations produced by its coming down when he was walking, sometimes as far as the knees, returning again to its former abode. Gave magnesia and seeds; *Tænia solium* twenty feet; no return in four years.

Case No. 1 shows the rapidity with which the tapeworm grows; the whole number being removed within eight months, the second one of twenty feet, three months after the first one.

Cases No. 2 and 3 show that the habitual use of tobacco and liquors, that syphilis and the prolonged use of mercury, have no effect upon tapeworm.

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HOSPITAL NOTES.

QUINSY.—Pancoast showed a case of acute tonsillitis, for which he applied the antiphlogistic knife to the affected organs, and directed the patient to steam it well. Take an ounce of tinct. of myrrh, a pint each of water and of vinegar, boiling hot; throw a towel around the patient's head, and let him inhale the steam until he is in a profuse perspiration. This is very soothing to the inflamed mucous membrane.

NASAL CATARRH.—Pancoast advises the following as very useful in acute or chronic catarrh:

Borax	ss
Tincture of myrrh.....	ss
Honey.....	ij
Infusion of cinchona, q. s. ad	f3 iv.

M.S.—A little to be poured in a cup of cool water, and snuffed up the nose occasionally.

FOR ANEMIA WITH CONSTIPATION:

R. Elix. cinchonæ.....	
Sp. aromatici	aa part aq
M. S—f3 j to f5 ss	several times daily.
R. Ext. ignatiæ amaræ.....	gr. 3/4
Quininæ sulphat.....	gr. ij
Capsici pulv.....	r. 1/2

M. ft. pil. S—Thrice daily.

A little carbolic acid may be added if the stools be fetid.—PANCOAST.

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL.—Pepper reports the expulsion of *tænia solium* with head. The following was the procedure: The patient fasted during the day, and took a saline purge in the evening; the next day f3 ij of oleo-resin of male fern was given, rubbed up with sugar, at 7 A. M., 8 A. M. and 10 A. M. With the last dose a saline purge was given. He says it is useless to trifle with smaller doses of male fern.

ACUPUNCTURE IN LUMBAGO AND SCIATICA.—Pepper strongly recommends this little operation, which savors so strongly of empiricism. It should be done aseptically, and the needles, or rather strong steel pins, rather less than half the diameter of steel knitting needles, should be thrust to the bone. His theory as to the relief often afforded is, that the inflammatory exudation confined by dense fibrous structures, and which causes the pain, is drained off by the punctures.

RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS.—Osler recommends arsenic in the form of Fowler's solution. He begins with gr. iiii thrice daily, gradually increasing to the limit of tolerance, as shown by diarrhoea or slight ophthalmia. He has given 35 minims three times a day without bad results.

HEPATIC CHILLS.—Osler showed the liver and duodenum from a marked case of Charcot's hepatic intermittent fever. A gall stone about three-quarters of an inch in diameter was impacted at the mouth of the common duct. The patient had chills and a temperature of 104° F., at irregular intervals followed by marked jaundice. Prof. Osler regards these attacks as analogous to those caused by the passage of an urethral instrument.

IRRITABLE BLADDER.—Goodell gives from 30–40 grs. of asafoetida per day. He has had incontinence after dilatation of the urethra by the finger in only one case. This patient loses two or three drops only, when she laughs or sneezes, but thinks nothing of this.

SCROFULOUS ABSCESSES.—These Agnew evacuates, removes all broken down tissue with curette and scissors, ligates bleeding points, inserts a drainage tube. After sewing up the wound he applies the usual antiseptic dressing.

MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL HOSPITAL.—After an attack of syphilitic laryngitis, the vocal cords rarely regain either their normal color or smoothness; and if the patient has a singing voice, his voice will never again be as clear, or have as high a compass as before.

Iodide of potassium will seldom relieve superficial syphilitic laryngitis, but the iodides of mercury will remove the trouble, sometimes with almost startling rapidity.—*Stern.*

CHRONIC ECZEMA.—A case of general eczema shown, contracted during the war. From head to foot the man's skin is rough, scaly and indurated. For some time he has been treated by the mouth, but his alimentary canal is in so poor a condition that medicine by that route seems not to get into his system. This is the class of cases in which hypodermatic medication often succeeds where everything else fails. He was ordered nothing but hypodermatic injections, every other day of gr. 1/16 arsenite of sodium; the dose to be gradually increased to gr. j.

MILK DIET.—In prescribing a milk diet principally, the milk should be taken between meals, when regular meals are taken; and at any rate the