

twelve years ago, and soon after caught a severe cold which laid him up for a couple of months during which time he coughed incessantly and lost considerable flesh. His appetite was also during this illness much impaired, and he thinks his health has never since been as good, in fact he has ever since been more or less troubled with a cough. Seven months ago he contracted a chancre for which he was treated with a wash and some mixture internally, which he took regularly for weeks. He does not know whether or not there was any preparation of mercury in the medicine, but some little time before he came into hospital he noticed a peculiar taste in his mouth, and at that time he was taking the same medicine. Six weeks, or thereabouts after the first appearance of the chancre, he noticed two little lumps beneath the skin in the position of the ulcers before mentioned. These lumps had all the character of tubercles and before they broke had attained the size of small marbles. After ulcerating through the skin they became in a week as large as a quarter dollar and when he came into hospital were considerably larger than a half crown. As to his habits, he had of late years been addicted to occasional bouts of drinking, and had been especially intemperate during the past twelve months. He gave as a reason for his conduct latterly that he could eat little or nothing and was obliged to drink to sustain life. When intoxicated he would sleep in some exposed place for nights together, catching fresh cold and otherwise crippling his health. At this time also he was very much troubled with diarrhœa.

*February 4th, 1869.*—He was given full diet and put on Green's mixture made by the following prescription, ℞. Hyd. Bichl. gr. i, Potas. Iodid. ʒ ij, Ext. Sarzæ fld. ʒ i. Aquæ ad ʒ vi. A tablespoonful thrice a day.

Also for the sores, lotio acid carbolie and lotio nigra to be applied to the chancres. Bowels regular and tongue clean.

*February 6th.*—The sores have a somewhat more healthy appearance. The carbolie acid wash is discontinued and Ung Hyd. Biniodid substituted in the strength of gr. v. to ʒ i. lard.

*February 10th.*—Gives a good report of himself as to general health; and the ulcers are certainly much improved. No change in the treatment.

*February 13th.*—Continues to improve in every respect. His appetite is much better and he feels as though he might be better out of bed, but his clothes are denied for a couple of days.

*February 15th.*—He is very unwell to-day, having vomited several times during the night. From the exertion he is likewise much exhausted and his bowels have not been opened for two days. On the supposition that