

(age considered.) Onion and *Capillaire* syrups, are also advised, as highly serviceable as attenuating pectorals.

In the more advanced stages of the disease, (although they may offer preventive advantages, if administered in the first) antimonials, judiciously employed, are our most efficient means to dislodge the constant secretion of mucus in the bronchial cells,* and as an auxiliary, much benefit will also be derived, (as the suggestion of my confrère Dr. Leon Rousseau,) from a solution of about, dr. of tartarised antimony to the ounce of water—to be rubbed actively upon the neck, until small pustules are formed. The counter-irritation thus obtained, has much the advantage of the Tart. Ant. ointment, in as much as the pustules are much smaller, less painful, and producing less objectionable results to the skin.

Opiates, carefully administered, cannot be too strongly recommended, as the most valuable within our reach. As far as regards my own experience I place the utmost reliance on their important effects in every stage of the disease. They suspend the paroxysms, shorten their duration, and, what is of the greatest importance, allay the irritation in the bronchial cells, by causing the excretion of their morbid product, and never fail of diminishing the severity of the convulsive and strangulating symptoms.†

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DR. FRASER'S CASE OF CASTRATION.

May 31, 1844.—Archibald M'Arthur, ætatis 47—married—a farmer from Chatham, came into town to take medical advice for a painful swelling of the right testicle.

In the winter of 1837–38, after a fatiguing journey, felt, for the first time, pain in the cord of the right testicle, which was followed by a hydrocele of the same side. In 1840, it was punctured by the late Dr. Stephenson, of this city, but the radical cure was not attempted. In 1841, the fluid was again drawn off. In 1842, the patient supplied himself with a trochar with which he has operated four or five times.

From all that I can learn, the testicle has been affected since the commencement of the case, in fact it seems to have been a case of Hydrosarcocele. In the month of April last, it had become incon-

* Well ventilated rooms and change of air, ought not to be overlooked.

† Operating also as an anti-spasmodic and relaxant.