

in September, 1870, from the recoil of a piece of spring wire. The steel caused a penetrating wound of the cornea and prolapse of the iris. The wound healed in about ten days and the sight recovered completely. In about two weeks after the accident he had an attack of what his physicians called conjunctivitis, supposed to be caused by exposure to the dust of a threshing machine. This congestion of the conjunctiva was probably symptomatic of ciliary irritation caused by dragging upon the ciliary processes on account of the prolapse of the iris. The eye recovered from this attack, but in about three weeks later the eye again became inflamed, the disease extending to the iris and closing the pupil. One week later, or six weeks after the injury to the left eye, sympathetic irido-choroiditis was set up in the left eye which resulted in total blindness. He is also at the Institution for the blind at Brantford.

*CASE 4.—Total blindness from Sympathetic Ophthalmia eight weeks after wound of right eye.*

Samuel McC., aged 36, Mt Pleasant. Right eye wounded in June, 1871, from splinter of wood while chopping. The wound was in the sclerotic, just external to the cornea, and extending into the ciliary region. About three weeks after the accident, he came to Toronto for advice. The surgeon whom he consulted did not recommend any interference, and he returned without anything being done for him. I saw the case in October, about four months afterwards, and found that the injured eye was quite destroyed, and that the pupil of the other eye was quite closed from plastic exudation. I then learned that the inflammation had set up in the then sound eye almost exactly six weeks from the date of injury of the other eye. The injured eye was enucleated and an iridectomy performed upon the opposite eye. Vision was somewhat improved by the artificial pupil. He returned in February, 1872, for a second operation. Unfortunately suppurative inflammation followed the operation, and he is now hopelessly blind. I learned subsequently that at this particular time erysipelas and puerperal fever were unusually prevalent in Toronto and vicinity. The suppurative inflammation following the operation upon the iris may have arisen from the same predisposing atmospheric cause.

*CASE 5.—Blindness in one eye and Sympathetic irido-choroiditis in the other seven weeks after injury. Good result.*

R. S. H., of Coneseon, while driving a nail, Feb. 15, the nail