

when once seen, so difficult to realize from book lore alone. (Of the three cases I have seen in this neighborhood two were young women and one was a fine well-built farmer of about 40 years of age, whose system had previously become saturated with uric acid and other products of whatever we mean by auto-intoxication. This man had used through the winter large quantities of raw apples, porridge, and maple syrup, perhaps the three greatest sources of auto-toxaemia in the Province. One of the young women was in the same condition when the erythaema nodosum supervened, and I suspect the other was in a similar state, though I had no opportunity of investigating her case. Is not erythaema nodosum simply one of the manifestations of hydra-headed auto-toxaemia? None of these cases, as far as I am aware, showed any sign of cardiac disease, and it is worth noticing 'en passant' the fact that one of the cases was a man, because females are more liable to show this erythaema in the proportion of at least three to one, Stephen Mackenzie says five to one. To relieve the painful swellings on the anterior surface of the leg—the most usual site—nothing is better than rest in bed and a generous application of the medicated clay whether you call it Thermofuge or Anti-phlogistine.

Syphilis in all its stages is not very common on the prairies. In particular I can recall two roaring cases of tertiary phenomena, one of rupia of recent origin and another of multiple gummata of very ancient origin; also two cases of women innocent victims both, one married, the other unmarried, one had secondary manifestations moderately well-marked, and the other had a single gumma, details of which are for obvious local reasons suppressed. It is sufficient to state that the usual anti-syphilitic remedies were effective. I know of a fine case of Jacksonian epilepsy which might have been amenable to operation, but the owner of the symptoms could not be persuaded to approach a hospital, partly because his condition justified his remaining the parasite on friends and relatives he had already become. Popular opinion was uncertain whether to pronounce him a humbug, but I have no doubt that he was a genuine case, having witnessed his symptoms more than once. Without losing consciousness, and only