

patches of ecchymosis, especially about the fingers, but most of all on the right thigh, on which he has exclusively—the whole side of the thigh from trochanter to knee, is ecchymosed as if from severe bruise. It was very tender when I first felt it, but two days after not at all so.

I ordered him inf. digit. ʒi. in die. Jan. 2—Urine largely increased; anasarca very much diminished; ecchymosis as before. Jan. 9—Died rather suddenly; ecchymoses had rather increased; the whole scrotum was like that of a negro.

He was seen on 8th, when the pulse was 108; full and jerking, and action of heart strong. Examination not obtained.

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ART. XXXVI.—*Case of Phagedæna Oris.* By THOS. P. S. BROWN, Physician and Surgeon, Stoney Creek, C. W.

S. J—, ætat 23, a young woman of good family and character, unmarried, considerably debilitated and anæmic from menorrhagia and leucorrhœa alternately, (if I may thus express it,) was attacked about 15th January last by cancrum oris.

I saw her about a week later than the above date. She had tried many local applications recommended by some work on domestic medicine, such as alum, creasote, borax, &c., &c., without the least benefit, before sending for me, being 7 miles distant.

Although it is very rare to see this disease at such an age, I arrived at my diagnosis as follows:—

1st, By the disease confining itself to the cheek and gums of one side.

2nd, By the absence of bluish or livid spots on trunk and extremities, found in purpura and scorbutus.

3rd, By the excessive acrimony of the salivary discharge, excoriating the chin and cheek in a short time when allowed to come in contact.

4th, By the presence of severe irritative fever, generally or always absent in scorbutus and purpura.

The gums and cheeks in spots were gangrenous—a constant and extremely fœtid ichorous discharge, with a little dark offensive blood occasionally, the latter followed by relief of pain. Several of the teeth loose, which had been remarkably firm and sound. Considering it a case of alteration of the constituents of the blood, affecting all the tissues, producing fearful debility, as well as irritability. (pulse ranging from 110 to 136,) and in view of the long continued functional uterine derangement