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Gonorrhœal Ophthalmia.

In appearance and character the Gonorrhœal Ophthalmia bears a strict analogy with the preceding complaint. In some cases the rapid intensity of the symptoms, as compared with the former variety, would seem to offer some slight diagnostic peculiarity; but even in these, I fancied that the positive state and condition of the constitution was sufficient to account for the difference. Certain it was, that intense redness of the conjunctiva, great tumefaction of the lids, and profuse yellow discharge, shewed a condition of the highest inflammatory action, which in many cases rapidly spread to the cornea, and deeper tissues of the globe, often causing blindness or derangement of vision.

In all the cases, the application of infectious matter to the eye, was clearly traced. In one instance, a stage-driver in the western country, having gonorrhœa upon him, complaining of a slight affection of the eyes, was advised to wash them with his urine. Thirty-six hours after, he got a most severe attack of inflammation of the conjunctiva: this, however, at first he neglected, merely washing his eyes with cold water, and wiping them on the towel in the bar-room. In a few days, no less than ten individuals, boarders and servants in the same house, who it was proved had used the same towel, got an attack of acute inflammation of the conjunctiva. In these individuals, it was