

whole of the right cheek and a part of the left, and in its progress has attacked the alae of the nose, and destroyed them, and the whole of the end of the nose, and also the septum nasi, and from thence has extended along the posterior fauces, and thence forward upon the uvula and the hard palate; so that she is now, as you see, a pitiable object to look upon. The lip and cheeks, however, cicatrized some time since, in the manner peculiar to lupus, resembling the scar of a burn, producing at the angles of the mouth the unpleasant effect following cicatrizing about these parts, and interfering with the free opening of the mouth. The voice is effected so much by the destruction of internal parts that she can hardly speak above a whisper, and she is often troubled in swallowing, and for many weeks at a time has only been able to use liquid food. The course of treatment pursued has always been of a tonic and alternative character. Iodine in combination with iron, either in the form of the syrup of the iodide, or in that of the iodide of potassium and citrate of iron in compound tincture of gentian, has been persevered in for a long period at different times. Cod-liver oil was also taken for weeks, and, indeed, for months at a time, and in doses of a tablespoonful three times a day, and all with but temporary benefit. During much of the time the condition of the patient has rendered all attention to hygiene almost impossible; and at times she has actually suffered from want of sufficient food, without making her situation known, and obtaining the aid which would have been willingly extended to her. The only local application which seemed to have any decided effect was the tincture of iodine freely painted over the parts, which had the effect of arresting the ulceration of the face, and causing the cicatrization three or four years ago, which has never since yielded to ulceration. Very little has been done for two or three years past, except the occasional use of the combination of citrate of iron and iodide of potassium before alluded to. The stramonium ointment is also occasionally used to allay the irritation of superficial ulceration, which occurs at times, and then disappears to a certain extent.

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Chronic Urticaria.—A severe case of this eruptive disease was lately successfully treated by Mr. Startin, at the Hospital for Skin Diseases, London, in the following manner: R Quin. disulph., gr. xij.; am. sesquicarb. 3j.; magnes carb. ʒss.; aq. pur. ʒviij. Ft. mist. A tablespoonful to be taken thrice daily.

The quinine in this formula is undissolved, and is held in suspension by the magnesia. Mr. Startin advises the use of dilute nitric acid to relieve the itching, as being equally efficacious as the hydrocyanic acid, and much less expensive.