

III.—*Traumatic Iritis.* Reported by Mr. EDWD. W. SMITH.

James Wilson, æt. 26, was admitted into the Montreal General Hospital, under Dr Wright, on Monday 23rd August, for sore eye. About a week ago he received a blow in his right eye, from a weapon commonly called a "skull-cracker." The power of vision in that eye was at once lost, and did not return again for four days. After the injury there was pain in and around the eye for two days. At present, the iris presents a green color, (the other eye being grey), with a line of clotted blood extending downwards and inwards along the outer half, like a fissure. There are also redness of the sclerótica, irregularity and immobility of the pupil, and effusion of blood into the anterior chamber, filling its lower third. This eye is also more prominent than the other, and slightly conical. It was injured once before; in consequence of which its vision has not been perfect since that time.

There is very slight febrile disturbance; furred tongue; slightly accelerated pulse, &c. The bowels are regular.

*Treatment.*—Pulv. Cretæ co. c. Opio gr. x., et Hydrarg. Chlor. iij. Cap. ter in die. Sol. Atropine to be dropped into the eye occasionally.

25th August. Getting much better; redness of sclerótica not so intense; fissure of the iris almost entirely closed, and the quantity of blood in the anterior chamber considerably diminished.

27th August. Pupil greatly dilated from the atropine. The narrow, red, vertical line upon the iris disappeared; blood nearly all absorbed; all febrile disturbance has entirely disappeared.

29th August. All the symptoms are much improved; but there appears to be more blood in the anterior chamber than there was yesterday. This circumstance is probably owing to gravitation: the blood, being in greater quantity in the posterior chamber when the iris became dilated, found its way over the margin of that curtain into the anterior chamber; or possibly the man may have lain on his face, which would, of course, be productive of a similar result.

2nd September. Discharged, almost perfectly well.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL,  
ENDING 20TH JULY, 1858.

Patients remaining from the last quarter.....	61	Died during the quarter .....	19
Admitted during present quarter.....	300	Now in Hospital.....	74
	361	Discharged .....	277
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<b>IN-DOOR PATIENTS.</b>		<b>OUT-DOOR PATIENTS.</b>	
Males .....	179	Males .....	654
Females .....	121	Females .....	789
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