

size of half an average orange, and hard in consistence, but elastic. On September 14th, she began to take two tablets of sheep's thyroid every day. On the 19th the neck was distinctly smaller, and on the 26th it was found by measurement that the swelling had diminished in the transverse diameter (at the level of the clavicles) from eighty to forty-five millimeters, and in the vertical from fifty-five to forty millimeters. The goitre was also much softer. At this time slight symptoms of thyroidism (weakness, trembling of limbs, headache, pains in the limbs, nausea) showed themselves. The patient had to go home, and has not been heard of since. This case, together with similar ones reported by Sene and Bruns, appears to Marie to warrant

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