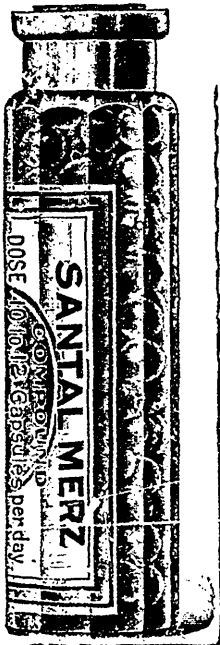


with sterilized gauze saturated with iodoform-bovine. This packing was changed every twenty-four hours, up to September 20th; after which pure bovine was employed in the same way, changing the dressing three times a day. Before each dressing, the wound and ulcers were washed out with Thiersch, and then thoroughly cleansed by the bovine-peroxide process. On the 22nd, the stitches were removed, the line of union being perfect around the anus, and the fistulous wound rapidly filling under the topical blood nourishment. On the 28th the ulcers in the rectum were entirely healed; leaving now only a small surface over the site of fistula, unhealed. On the 30th, this wound was also nearly healed; patient having regular daily defecations normal in quantity, and feeling altogether like a new man. October 3rd, discharged absolutely well. Remarks: This case is unusually inter-

esting from the fact that all other treatments—prominent among them Professor Pratt's dilatation—had been employed during the long course of the disease, but no results whatever could be attained. Also from the bovine or topical blood nourishment producing such a rapid repair, while internally keeping up the patient's strength throughout, as his principal diet. The sequel will be under observation and report.—*T. J. Biggs, M.D., Surgeon-Director.*

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