

Surgeon Kemmis, paper Ed. Med. and Surg. Journal, No. 52,) and the East and West Indies.

The new locality for this Disease forms a part of the Province of New Brunswick. It is chiefly confined to the east side of the land lying between the Bay of Chaleur and the estuary of the Miramichi River, and more particularly to the Settlements on the Neguac and Tracadie Rivers.

We could not draw any *positive* conclusion as to the original appearance of the disease in this quarter; but from the statements submitted to us by some of the oldest settlers, we learn that the first case occurred about the year 1817, in the person of a woman named Ursule Landré, one of a family of nineteen children. The father of this family is supposed to have been an Acadian, and married a woman of Caraquet, of the name of Mary Bredeau. This Ursule Landré, one of his daughters, married a man of Tracadie, of the name of Joseph Benoit, about the year 1798 or 1799. Ursule and her husband came to reside in Tracadie immediately after their marriage, and had five children, three daughters, and two sons. She is known to have been a perfectly healthy woman until after the birth of her youngest child, which took place in 1809. She continued in delicate health for six or eight years, and it was observed about this period that *spots* or *blotches* developed themselves on the face, extending over the upper part of the trunk and extremities. After a lapse of time distinct lumps (as they described them) appeared on the face and on the inside of the lips and in the throat. She lost the hair of her eyebrows and eyelashes; Voice became hoarse and husky; and, in short, she appears to have exhibited all the characteristic symptoms of the disease, and died in 1829. Joseph Benoit, her husband, took the disease three or four years before her death, and sank under it in 1831. From these cases, the disease would appear to have gradually extended itself, and although ten or eleven years ago only two cases existed, we found, independent of seven deaths* which have occurred, thirteen confirmed cases and three highly suspicious ones, in Tracadie; four confirmed cases in Neguac, and one confirmed case in Tabisintac; and one (Alexander Stewart) eighteen miles up the North West Branch of the Miramichi River; making in all nineteen.

(To be continued.)

* These deaths are exclusive of five others, who are known to have contracted the disease in Tracadie, but died elsewhere. Doctor Key saw these cases, and most positively asserts that they died of this disease.