

Lungs, on examination, were perfectly healthy. Recognizing the case as one of *Lichen Scrofulosum* I prescribed cod-liver oil in doses of a tablespoonful three times a day, and also directed her to keep the oil continually in contact with the skin by rubbing it in several times a day, and covering the hands with woollen gloves.

In two weeks she returned, the eruption was much in the same condition, but in addition to the papules, several bluish red tubercles, characteristic of the disease, were seen, about the size of split peas, and some large pustules which she told me had commenced as these bluish tubercles. There were also numbers of pigmented spots, the remains of old papules. I advised her to continue the same treatment, and explained to her that the cure, though tedious, was tolerably certain. I forgot to mention that in addition to the eruption on the hands a few papules had come out on the extensor surfaces of the legs, to which I directed her to apply cod-liver oil.

I saw her again on June 1st, at which time her condition was much improved. The eruption had entirely disappeared from the right hand, leaving spots of slight discoloration; on the left hand the eruption was fading, and no new papules were coming out, the only parts affected were the back of the first phalanx of the thumb and the back of the hand near the wrist. The enlarged lymphatic glands in the neck were much reduced in size.

On June 22nd the eruption had entirely disappeared both from the hands and legs, and there was no return when last seen early in November. The patient, by thus persevering in Hebra's cod-liver oil treatment for three months, had got rid of an eruption which had tormented her for over three years.

Remarks.—Hebra was the first to describe this form of Lichen which he always found associated with a scrofulous diathesis. In his work on Diseases of the Skin*, Hebra states that he had seen over fifty cases, all in males, between 15 and 25, and that this eruption occurs chiefly on the trunk, being rarely seen on the limbs. Now this case is remarkable from

*New Sydenham Society's Translation, vol. II., p. 54.