

a period of mixed treatment—perchloride of mercury and iodide of potassium; then a lull of a month or six weeks and a course of injections to the point of commencing salivation; then a rest of a month; then some iodide treatment, and finally a return to the protiodide pills, half a grain three times daily. This whole course of treatment extended over two years and four months, during which he abstained entirely from alcohol and followed out my instructions to the letter. After the first three months of treatment he never had a sign of the disease, his general health remained good throughout, and he frequently declared to me that he never felt better in his life. About the time of coming under treatment he was either engaged or about to become engaged to be married. As his treatment progressed satisfactorily, he became anxious to be married; but I resolutely refused to sanction matrimony within two years and a half of the onset of the disease, and then only with the proviso that he should remain perfectly free for at least six months prior to making his final arrangements. At the end of August, 1888, I fully and unreservedly advised him that he might safely arrange to be married. Outside considerations hurried on the arrangements more rapidly than I had anticipated, and he was married on the 24th of November, 1888—two years and eight months from the time at which I diagnosed a fully developed chancre and two years and six months from the time of commencing the treatment. During the month of October he indulged in certain festivities in the way of dinners and suppers and champagne, incident to his emancipation from treatment and in connection with his forthcoming marriage, and (as I believe) in consequence presented himself again with a few patches of acute eczema identical in every respect with his presyphilitic attacks. This soon got well, and I saw no more of him until he came to consult me about his wife. As I have already said, he was married on the 24th of November. On the 25th of January, 1889, he came to me to consult me about some swollen and painful condition of his wife's genitals, but as I had gone abroad for a couple of months he took her to another medical man, and, filled with remorse as he was, told him the history of his own illness. A diagnosis of primary syphilis was made, and a month later (so I am informed by the gentleman who treated her) a characteristic rash appeared, and she was treated with protiodide pills and suitable local applications. Immediately on my return he came to see me, but I could not believe it possible that he could have inoculated her. On the 4th of April I saw her for the first time. She was a strong and healthy woman, but came of a scrofulous family and had had one tonsil removed when a child for hypertrophy. The protiodide treatment had been discontinued and