

the patient went home. She was seen again at the end of September. There had been a good deal of surface reaction, and a crust had formed over all the ulcers. No further treatment was given at this time. At the end of October she reported again. The crust was still present, but was easily removed, and underneath the skin was formed slightly thicker than normal and redder, but with absolutely no ulceration. The parts were radiated again, using heavier screens in order to get a deep action and soften up the tissues.

It is, of course, too early to say whether this result will be permanent, but from other cases reported in the French literature we can see no reason why it should not be.

The early result here points to the condition being one of rodent ulcer rather than lupus, as experience has shown that the latter do not react so readily as the former to the action of the radium rays.

To show the result with the common rodent ulcer, the following cases may be given as examples:

Mrs. L., referred by Dr. W. B. Thistle, presented a rodent ulcer on the left side of the nose of four years' duration, which had resisted all treatment. Within one month after a series of radium applications the ulcer healed, and is still so at the time of writing, seven months after she was first seen.

Mr. M., of New Orleans, referred by Dr. Allen Baines, showed four typical rodent ulcers on the left cheek and one on the skin of the upper lip. They had been present for two years. He was given applications of a plaque of 500,000 activity, eight hours to each spot, extending over a period of two weeks. At the end of that time the radium crusts had formed.

Under date of Nov. 29th, the patient writes from New Orleans: "It affords me much pleasure to advise you that all trace of the affection has vanished, not even the smallest trace of a scar can be seen."

Mrs. R., referred by Dr. W. P. Caven, had a small nodule on the left side of the nose. It appeared two years ago and had increased in size until it was three-eighths of an inch in diameter. It was not ulcerated. It had begun to pain a short time before. She had had no treatment of any kind. She was given a short application of a strongly active plaque, and on presenting herself six weeks later the nodule had quite disappeared.

Mrs. D., referred by Dr. J. Noble, rodent ulcer of the forehead; crust has formed, but is not yet detached.

Miss F., referred by Dr. Yeo, rodent ulcer at the tip of the nose, causing great disfigurement, which has completely healed, leaving no scar.