

## **Kennedy on diseases of the skin / Donald Kennedy.**

### **Contributors**

Kennedy, Donald, 1812-1889.

### **Publication/Creation**

Roxbury, Mass. : Donald Kennedy, [1871], ©1871.

### **Persistent URL**

<https://wellcomecollection.org/works/megj5wy2>

### **License and attribution**

This work has been identified as being free of known restrictions under copyright law, including all related and neighbouring rights and is being made available under the Creative Commons, Public Domain Mark.

You can copy, modify, distribute and perform the work, even for commercial purposes, without asking permission.



Wellcome Collection  
183 Euston Road  
London NW1 2BE UK  
T +44 (0)20 7611 8722  
E [library@wellcomecollection.org](mailto:library@wellcomecollection.org)  
<https://wellcomecollection.org>

9379/KOK

**KENNEDY**

**ON**

**DISEASES OF THE SKIN.**

**SECOND EDITION.**

---

Entered, according to Act of Congress, in the year 1871, by DONALD KENNEDY,  
in the Office of the Librarian of Congress, at Washington.

---

**PUBLISHED BY**  
**DONALD KENNEDY,**  
**ROXBURY, MASS.**

# THE GREATEST Medical Discovery OF THE AGE.

**D**R. KENNEDY of Roxbury has discovered, in one of our common pasture-weeds, a remedy that cures

**EVERY KIND OF HUMOR,**  
*From the Worst Scrofula down to a Common Pimple.*

Two bottles are warranted to cure a nursing sore mouth.

One to three bottles will cure the worst kind of pimples on the face.

Two or three bottles will clear the system of boils.

Two bottles are warranted to cure the worst canker in the stomach.

Three to five bottles are warranted to cure the worst kind of erysipelas.

One or two bottles are warranted to cure all humor in the eyes.

Two bottles are warranted to cure running of the ears, and blotches among the hair.

Four to six bottles are warranted to cure corrupt and running ulcers.

Fifteen to twenty bottles will cure scaly eruptions of the skin.

Two or three bottles are warranted to cure the worst kind of ringworm.

Two or three bottles are warranted to cure the most desperate case of rheumatism.

Three to four bottles are warranted to cure salt-rheum.

Five to eight bottles will cure the worst case of scrofula.

One to three bottles are warranted to cure the worst cases of dyspepsia.

I know from the experience of thousands that it has been caused by canker in the stomach.

One to two bottles are warranted to cure sick-headache.

One to two bottles are warranted to regulate a costive state of the bowels.

One to two bottles will regulate all derangements of the kidneys.

Four to six bottles have cured the worst cases of dropsy.

One to three bottles have cured the worst case of piles: a relief is always experienced. What a mercy to get relief in such an excruciating disease!

A benefit is always experienced from the first bottle; and a perfect cure is warranted when the above quantity is taken.


No change of diet ever necessary: eat the best you can get, and enough of it.

**Directions for Use.**—Adults, one tablespoonful per day; children over ten years, dessert-spoonful; children from five to eight years, teaspoonful. As no directions can be applicable to all constitutions, take sufficient to operate on the bowels twice a day.

MANUFACTURED BY

**DONALD KENNEDY,**

120 Warren St., Roxbury, Mass.

 **PRICE \$1.50.** For sale by every Druggist in the United States and British Provinces.

Entered, according to Act of Congress, in the year 1871, by DONALD KENNEDY,  
in the Office of the Librarian of Congress, at Washington.

WELLCOME  
LIBRARY,

PAM

WR 100

1871

K 35 K

## PREFACE.

---

My object in writing these few pages is, that every one afflicted with Diseases of the Skin may know something of the name and nature of his disease, and, again, to save myself the trouble of answering several thousand letters every year. It was my intention at first to take a new track, and divide Diseases of the Skin under three heads: —

- 1st, Diseases *on* the Skin,
- 2d, Diseases *in* the Skin,
- 3d, Diseases *under* the Skin;

and to avoid all scientific terms, and to describe each as it appears at its height. This is very good in theory, but useless in practice: therefore I followed the beaten path of others.

It is greatly to be regretted that Diseases of the Skin have been so much overlooked in this country; in fact, entirely neglected, as nothing has ever been written on the subject. Trifling as these few pages may appear to you (I am sorry to say it), they are the first ever written on the subject in these United States. All that we have on the subject are republications of English, and translations of French works. These are good, and, I suppose, accurate, in describing diseases as they occur in Europe, but do not at all meet the demand in this country.

From some cause that I do not pretend to understand, Diseases of the Skin have changed in their type, as well as their cause, in this country. In Europe, the prolific cause is said to be poverty and filth. This cannot operate in this country, as we do not know even the meaning of the words as they are understood in Europe. To read French writers on scald-head, as “mole-hills of scab, smelling like cat’s dung, and swarming with lice,” will give you an idea of European filth.

It is very much to be regretted that Dr. Bell of Philadelphia, in his beautiful edition of Rayer’s great work, has not noticed more minutely the alterations or changes in the type of the various diseases in this country.

I feel confident no man in the United States could do it with equal accuracy.

I hope that some of our own physicians will soon give us a standard American work on Diseases of the Skin, that can be relied on, and will be a credit to the profession: as it is now, not one physician in twenty knows the difference between humors that are the most widely apart in their nature; and every thing goes by the name of Salt Rheum or Scrofula. Whoever will be the author of our American standard, I hope he will write plain and concise, and not follow that vague and obscure style of writing that some European writers delight in.

In 1798, Willan divided cutaneous diseases into eight classes, according to their elementary character. This was the greatest improvement ever made in this branch of the medical art: it is so simple and beautiful, that all nations have adopted it by universal consent:—

ORDER I. *Exanthamata*. — Erythema, Erysipelas, Roseola, Rubeola, Scarletina, Urticaria.

ORDER II. *Vesicule*. — Millaria, Varicella, Exema, Herpes, Scabies.

ORDER III. *Buelle*. — Pemphigus, Rupia.

ORDER IV. *Pustulæ*. — Variola, Vaccinia, Ecthyma, Impetigo, Acne, Sycosis, Tenia.

ORDER V. *Papulæ*. — Lichen, Prurigo.

ORDER VI. *Squamæ*. — Lepra, Psoriasis, Pityriasis, Ichthyosis.

ORDER VII. *Tuberculæ*. — Scrofula, Cancer, Lupus.

ORDER VIII. *Maculæ*. — Colorations, Tuscedo cutis, Ephelides, Nævi, Discolorations, Albinismus, Vitiligo.

All this last order is only discoloration of the skin, such as freckles, liver-marks, and mother's-marks. I have omitted them in these pages, as too trifling.

Yours truly,

DONALD KENNEDY,

ROXBURY, MASS.

## DIRECTION FOR USE.

The discovery of the virtues of the pasture-weed is now so well known, and fully set forth in my Circular, that I may omit it in this pamphlet, more particularly as it is of no consequence in effecting a cure.

There are some peculiarities in the operation of the Discovery on the system, that may prove a satisfaction to the patient to know.

For instance, when there is Canker of the mouth, that extends to the stomach and bowels, as it often does, then the Discovery causes very severe pains and griping: this is caused by the medicine coming in direct contact with the inflamed surface.

When the disease attacks the lungs or kidneys, the pain feels like needles shooting through you, or being stung by bees. This must not alarm you; it will disappear in a few days, or as soon as the medicine can work its way through the stagnated part: the vital organs will then perform their functions.

The most serious effect of the Discovery is where there is an inward humor of an Erysipelas nature; then the pain is sometimes severe, and, if the stomach is bilious, a nauseating feeling is experienced, loathing, and even vomiting.

Now, of all possible diseases and all possible states of the system, this is where the Discovery is most needed, and I believe the only thing that can give you permanent relief.

I have known hundreds afflicted with inward Erysipelas for years, and doctoring for every imaginable disease, cured by a few bottles.

On the other hand, I have known hundreds with all the symptoms and feelings, yet did not have nerve enough to continue with the Discovery, and are now dragging out a miserable existence, when a few bottles would cure them. Now, I wish to impress upon you the importance of overcoming this repugnance.

You will commence with a teaspoonful, mixed with cold spearmint-tea; if a teaspoonful causes nausea, take less, and gradually increase it every day until you can take one, two, or three spoonfuls a day.

Another very important point I wish to impress on your mind is this, — that in any condition or circumstance, or any disease of whatsoever nature you are suffering with, my Medical Discovery cannot injure you, if it does not operate too much on your bowels: of that yourself must be the only judge.

In Canker of the mouth and stomach, I have frequently known the Discovery cause such a fermentation, that the Canker will come out on the lips in white flakes: in this case (it is quite common), you will discontinue until the mouth is better; then commence with small doses well diluted with water, and gradually increase it.

Much has been said and written on the best time to take medicine. You will remember there is nothing so much like a swill-tub as the contents of the human stomach; therefore in all refined, ethereal, and sublimated medicines, it is well to have the stomach nearly empty, say half an hour before meal is a safe time to take it. The Medical Discovery is different from any other remedy. You can take it at any time that suits your convenience; but I would rather that you take it when you go to bed.

## INTRODUCTION.

---

Humors were formerly removed by eight different methods: 1. FRICTION; 2. BATHING; 3. SWEATING; 4. FASTING; 5. PURGING; 6. VOMITING; 7. URINE; 8. SALIVATION. The more enlightened medical luminaries of the present day have discarded all these methods except purging and salivation. Yet there are many cases in which all these might be profitably employed, more particularly in diseases of the Lymph and the Skin itself.

1. Friction, where the circulation is languid, the body thin, and the flesh cold and clammy, and the skin covered with Salt-Rheum pimples, — friction, or rubbing the flesh with a coarse towel to raise a glow of heat and add vigor to the skin, will enable the skin to throw off much offensive matter.

2. Bathing in warm water relaxes the channels of the circulation, particularly the Lymphatic, which contain all the mischief, and enables Nature to throw off into the stomach.

3. Sweating acts upon the system in the same manner as bathing. If a few blood-stirring herbs be added to the water, and the aroma or essence of them received into the system with the steam, it will make it more effectual.

4. Fasting, or as it is more commonly called dieting, was, a few years ago, a very fashionable way of curing humors: in some few cases of gross and full habits it may do good; but, taken as a whole, it has injured ninety where it has cured ten. I have seen hundreds whose constitutions were irretrievably injured by a severe course of dieting. Nursing mothers in particular have suffered from this. When there is nursing sore mouth, and they have to live on crackers and tea, there is nothing to nourish the system; the acrid humors get the upperhand, and corrode the very vitals. In the first advertisement I had ever written, I concluded the last sentence with, "Eat the best you can get, and enough of it." From that day to this I never saw a case where I could give a different advice.

5. Purging is the grand method of the present generation in curing humors, and no doubt the correct one; but the why and wherefore of this

seems, as yet, hidden in mystery. All that the most elaborate medical writers can say is, that "it excites the secretions," and carries off the offensive matter. Now, I am far from being satisfied with this short and pithy explanation, and shall rejoice to see the time when the subject shall receive that attention and close examination which it deserves.

I know, from personal *acquaintance*, that my own Medical Discovery has relieved more human suffering than any one preparation that has ever been brought before the notice of mankind; yet, for all that, I must confess my ignorance of how, why, or by what means, it does its work, how does its inward spiritual essence reach and act upon the disease. How is it that some herbs are taken into the stomach, digested, enter the circulation, and spend their whole vital force on the Liver? another herb passes through the whole circulation, and exerts its vital force on the Womb; and another on the Kidneys; another on the Heart; what causes this attraction of the essence of particular herbs to particular organs. The only explanation, and a poor explanation is better than none (for it shows that somebody has thought of it) is planetary influence.

In my younger days, I was greatly taken up with this theory, as it seemed to explain much that seemed mysterious and that could not be explained on any other theory; but age and experience brought its stumbling-blocks, the chief of which was the mixing the juice of the two most opposing gods to effect a cure where only one god did the mischief.

6. Vomiting. I am at a loss to give you a single idea how vomiting can cure humor. I never saw or heard of a case. Authors have put it down as one of the methods; wisely or unwisely, have omitted all explanation of it.

7. Urine. This, next to purging, is the most effectual, and, I am sorry to say, most neglected. In old times, the functions of the Kidneys were more attended to than at present. The urine, coming through the whole system, is affected by disease of the different parts of the body, and the state of inflammation or disease could be accurately told by the appearance of the urine. This theory seemed at one time to rest on a firm platform, until Quacks took hold of it, and by their mistakes brought the whole system into ridicule. Yet there can be no question that keeping the Kidneys in good health is of vital importance.

8. Salivation. This, happily, is out of date. The wonder is that such an absurd custom should ever come to date. It is now admitted by all physicians that Syphilis is the only humor in which mercury in any form can be of the slightest advantage.



## ORDER I.

---

# EXANTHAMATA.

---

IN this order are Erythema, Erysipelas, Roseola, Measles, Scarlatina, and Nettle-Rash. Erythema is merely a red inflamed patch on the skin, — generally on the face, neck, and arms; and seldom lasts more than two or three weeks, and is generally a trifling affair.

## ERYSIPELAS.

### SYMPTOMS.

Erysipelas comes on with a fever; then inflammation, and redness of the parts; then burning heat, swelling, and small blisters of the skin. In three or four days, the vesicles break, and discharge a thin, sticky fluid, which dries, and forms crusts and scales, and in a few days dries up.

Inflammatory Erysipelas is more severe. It runs deep into the flesh, the pain is very severe, and the fever runs high. The skin is very painful on pressure, and slowly resumes its natural color. In a few days, purulent deposits are formed, and discharge a vitiated humor, mixed with gangrene flesh. The mucous membrane of the stomach and intestines inflames, and the patient often sinks exhausted by fever and diarrhœa. Within the space of two or three days, the Erysipelas reaches its greatest intensity. The skin is smooth, tense, and shining; is of a bright-red color, and does not for an instant preserve the impression of the finger. The distress of the patient increases; he suffers great pain, and is parched with thirst; all the symptoms are worse towards evening. About the fifth or sixth day, the inflammation subsides; the skin becomes of a livid bluish color; it becomes softened, and covered with small blisters, or vesicles, filled with reddish or black water; then sores and ulcers are formed, which are both slow and tedious to heal.

Erysipelas of the face is the most common of any: it attacks the cheeks, nose, and lips, generally one side of the face. The eyes are closed and watery; the nose is enlarged; the nostrils puffed and dry; the ears red and shining; the mouth full of saliva, which is with difficulty expelled.

## CAUSE.

The causes of Erysipelas are various ; but the most common is checked perspiration, throwing the perspiration in a condensed form back again into the system, and causing a fermentation of the fluids, vitiating the blood, and saturating the whole system with a poison more or less malignant. This fermentation in the system acts like yeast in dough. It creates some gases, and expels others, until there is a general fermentation of the whole system ; and the water and fluids, the scales and humors, that are thrown out, are only the froth of the fermentation.

There are some constitutions with brown, bilious, and greasy skins, that are particularly subject to this disease. Every spring and fall they have a slight touch of it. When they are depressed with any mental emotion, and very nervous, a trifling scratch, a bruise, or wound of any kind, unless immediately attended to, will turn to Erysipelas.

I am well aware that the fermentation-theory in Erysipelas is discarded by the modern school of medicine, and not a single plank laid to build any other theory on. Within a few years, the germ-theory has been gaining ground, and many eminent men advocate it. Now, I am perfectly willing to go all lengths on the germ-theory : it is only fermentation with another name.

The only argument ever brought against fermentation is, that fermentation could not take place in a living subject without causing animalculæ, and perhaps worms, in the flesh.

## CURE.

When you see the first appearance of Erysipelas, give the Medical Discovery freely. Let the bowels be well evacuated, and, if the patient is thirsty, Indian-meal or oat-meal gruel may be freely given ; and wherever the disease may manifest itself by swelling, pain, and redness, you will apply Kennedy's Salt-rheum Ointment. Use it freely, and rub it well in. This is the best outward application that can be used in this disease : it will soften the flesh, and allow the escape of all the gas which causes the pain ; for all the pain of Erysipelas is caused by the gases distending the tissues of the flesh. If sores and ulcers form, you will dress them with Kennedy's Scrofula Ointment and Healing Ointment. You will in all such cases follow the direction given in this book for the cure of Ulcers.

I freely admit there are many things about Erysipelas that I do not understand. For instance : a person has the Erysipelas in the spring of the year, say in March or April, and he takes the Discovery ; in two cases out of three the head will swell, sometimes to an enormous size, and is frightful to look at. When you see the slightest appearance of this swelling of the head, you will stop giving the Discovery until the season advances, say in May or June. This swelling does not injure the health or intellect ; yet

it is best to avoid it. I do not know of any cause for this phenomenon, except that the sap that lies dormant in man and vegetables through the winter is now rising; and some constitutions are so sensitive to the influence of the Medical Discovery, that it causes too sudden a flow, and it rises to the head.

Like Canker, Erysipelas often settles in the stomach and bowels; and in such cases is one of the most troublesome diseases flesh is heir to. The virus of the disease saturates the system, and imparts its vapor; so that the whole system becomes tainted with a smoky, burnt acid, liable to break out from the slightest cause.

To test to your satisfaction whether you have an inward Erysipelas, you will take a tablespoonful of the Discovery for three or four mornings, without any water in it. If your stomach and bowels are sound, then very well; you will not feel any inconvenience; but, if Erysipelas is settled there, you will have very severe griping pains, and also a faintness in the stomach; and in a few days a humor will rise in your throat and mouth, and you will get discouraged, and give up the Discovery as too severe a remedy for you. Now, of all states and conditions of your system, this is where the Discovery is calculated to do the most good: it is merely stirring up the disease. The bitter of the Discovery, and the disease in the stomach, cause a working. The humors are being expelled, and rise in the throat and mouth, causing very nauseating, bad feelings, which many have not the nerve or resolution to overcome.

I have known thousands who linger out a poor miserable existence, who, if they had perseverance and an ordinary share of common sense, might enjoy good health and long life. Now, I wish to impress on your mind the importance of taking the Medical Discovery. Begin with a teaspoonful of it in a wine-glass full of water; take once a day, or once in two days. This will be about the strength of herb-tea; take this for two or three days, or until the sharp edge of the humor is destroyed, and then gradually increase the dose as your stomach can bear it; and keep on taking three, four, or five bottles, as the case may be, until every particle of humor is eradicated from your system. And then what a change in you! How different every thing and everybody looks to you! Instead of the sour, miserable, morose creature you have been, you are now a cheerful, genial, open-hearted Christian, loved by your family, and loved by your neighbors. In fact, you are in every way a new creature.

## MEASLES.

I know not why Measles or Scarlet Fever should be classed with skin-diseases. They are both diseases of the system, rather than diseases of the skin; yet medical writers always class them with diseases of the skin.

Measles make their first appearance with chills, heat, languor, drowsi-

ness, pains in the head, back, and limbs, soreness of the throat, white tongue, with red edges, dry cough, and high-colored urine. On the third day, the eyes look red, the nose and eyes run freely. On the fourth day, the rash makes its appearance: it is first seen in the face, neck, and cheeks, and around the mouth. On the seventh day, the rash comes to its height: it then begins to decline in the same order that it came. It first declines on the face and neck, then on the body.

#### CAUSE.

It is said that Measles first came from Arabia, that hotbed of contagious diseases. Spiritual mediums all declare the Measles to be nothing more nor less than a germ or spore, endowed with animal life, floating in the atmosphere. I have seen mediums who declared they could see it. A few of these get into the human system, and breed; and the rash on the surface is an effort of Nature to rid herself, and that they come out on the surface in millions. The time will come when they will be seen by the microscope.

The Measles are very contagious, and are also communicated by inoculation.

#### CURE.

The very best cure for the Measles is to let them alone; let them run their course. Keep the child warm; give it warm drinks; do not on any account give it any physic or cathartic of any kind. Giving opening medicines in Measles has destroyed thousands of children that might otherwise have lived. Sponge the body with warm water three or four times a day: this is exceedingly refreshing, and assists in opening the skin to let out the rash. If you think the rash does not come out full, give a tea made of Virginia snake-root, and saffron, two or three times a day. This is perfectly safe and simple, and is the best article known to the medical profession to throw any thing to the surface which ought to come.

There are many children, either through mismanagement, or a malignant type of the disease, who do not have what is called a good getting-up out of the Measles. It leaves them with a bad cough, sore eyes, running of the ears, and swellings of the glands under the ears. In all such cases, there is a sediment of the disease left in the system, which, if not eradicated, will cause years of misery.

In all such cases, I would advise you to give the child two or three bottles of Medical Discovery. It will cleanse the system, and enable Nature to resume her work in restoring the child to health. When the child has got over the Measles, every possible care ought to be taken that he does not get cold. He ought to wear thick, comfortable flannels for several weeks. There is always more danger in the getting-up than there is in the disease.

## ROSEOLA — FALSE MEASLES.

This disease chiefly comes on in summer, and, as a general thing, attacks people of a weakly, nervous constitution. It is neither infectious nor contagious. It comes on with chills, and flushes of heat, languor, pain in the head, back, and limbs. In one or two days, a rash comes out in larger patches than measles, but of a darker color. On the fourth day, the rash begins to fade, and on the fifth entirely disappears.

## SCARLET FEVER.

## SYMPTOMS.

Every symptom described in Measles is applicable in Scarlet Fever, except that the Scarlet Fever is more active, and manifests itself on the second day.

Then, again, in Measles, the nose and eyes and throat are running; whereas in Scarlet Fever they are all quite dry. The rash of Scarlet Fever is of a bright red, like boiled lobster; whereas the rash of Measles is of a yellowish purple, something like the inside of a raspberry.

The Measles are more infectious than Scarlet Fever, as few persons escape them; whereas there are thousands who escape Scarlet Fever.

## CAUSE.

The same causes which produce Measles also produce Scarlet Fever. It is a living germ or animacule propagated by infection and contagion, which spiritual mediums tell me they see. They also say all herbs are full of germ or animalculæ, according to their kind, and that the cure of any disease, particularly contagious diseases, was effected by the animalcule of the herb eating and devouring the animalcule of the disease. One clairvoyant has often told me that the human system becomes so transparent to her vision, that she can see the animalculæ chase and devour each other through the whole channels of the blood; that she had given a spoonful of my Medical Discovery to some of her patients, and sat for an hour, highly amused, watching the battle in the blood and serum.

Dr. Woodruff of Grand Rapids, Mich., writes to me, that he never requires more than two days to cure any case of contagious disease, working on this principle.

This may, after all, be the true theory of disease and its cure. We know that an herb contains certain medical qualities; we also know that a dead herb is useless. We know very little of the condition of the medicinal. We do know some are resinous, some alkali, and some acid; but of the living part, the aroma, the living spirit of the herb, that insinuates itself in our system, which passes through many windings and channels until it

comes to the diseased place, — now, of the nature of this principle, how much do we know? I once saw a stalk of aconite and a potato-vine growing side by side; now, the aconite is the most poisonous thing that grows out of the ground, while the potato is one of the most nourishing. It puzzled me greatly: I watched them for weeks, and wondered how each drew its peculiar virtues from the same spot of earth. I asked a spirit medium for an explanation of this, and the reply astonished me. The reply was, that the earth did not give either of them any of their properties; that the earth was only a condition for them; that all their growth, and every element that was in them, was received from the atmosphere, that great storehouse of Nature; that every element in them was drawn to them by natural attraction and affinity. This was afterwards proved to my satisfaction by reading the experiment of a German philosopher, who took fifty pounds of garden earth, dried it in an oven, then put it carefully in a tub, watered it with distilled water, and planted in it a young tree weighing a pound. He watched and watered it for seven years. Covered the top so that no dust or earth could get in. In seven years, the tree weighed thirty-five pounds. He then dried the earth carefully as at first, and it had lost a pound and a half. This conclusively proves that all the elements and medicinal virtues of herbs are derived from the atmosphere, and, in all probability, in germ or animalcula principle.

I asked the spirit how the atmosphere was supplied with the medicinal and other virtues, when I got the following answer: “When I was on earth, astrology was looked upon as a wicked practice, as prying into and interfering with the governing power of the Almighty, as taking the power out of his hands, and putting it in the planets. It was by many considered blasphemy to deal in it; by many openly condemned and secretly encouraged. Since I have been in the spirit-world, I find astrology the wonder and admiration of spirits and angels, who cease not to wonder at the goodness and wisdom of the Creator, and the means he uses to govern his creation.

But to go down to the herbs of the earth. Know, then, that every herb after its kind draws its nature from the atmosphere of a planet, though that planet may be millions of miles away. Yet these planets are supplying the atmosphere of the earth with all its elements. This supply comes in rays to the earth's atmosphere. I see the whole supply and demand. This is the way in which different herbs receive their different supplies. — *Nicholas Culpepper.*”

I then inquired why astrologists claimed that there was antipathy and sympathy between herbs and diseases, and if he could explain it to me. The reply was this: “You must know that every thing in Nature is positive or negative, or in sympathy or antipathy; and, as the word ‘sympathy’ will express my views best, I will use it. You will know, then,

that the human system is made of organs and viscera of entirely different nature. No two are alike: every organ is different in its composition from another, and yet all are made of different proportions of the same material.

“We will begin with the Liver, different from its neighbor the Heart. The Liver will get diseased, — say softening of the Liver, which is a disease it is often affected with. This disease creates in the Liver different particles or elements from what it contained in health, and the particles or elements require remedies to restore them to their proper tone. Now is the time to try affinities. The Liver is soft, and needs toning up. You give one thing, and then another. They all pass by. There is no affinity between any of them and the Liver.

“In the course of the treatment, you give, we will say, Dandelion, or Mountain Cranberry, made into a tea, and no sooner is it in the stomach than begins the magnetic attraction, or the work of sympathy, the Liver drawing to itself the elements or spirit of those herbs. It may be called chemical attraction, magnetic attraction, or sympathetic attraction: it matters not, it is one and the same operation. The Dandelion supplies the want or waste that caused the Liver to soften; and it is restored to its proper texture, until an even balance is formed. This is the operation of sympathy and antipathy in herbs. — *Nicholas Culpepper.*”

Now, kind reader, from Scarlet Fever to Spiritualism is a wide range; but I got in the humor of it, and here it is.

#### CURE.

In mild cases of Scarlet Fever, all that is required is to keep the patient warm, an even temperature if possible. Give him as much water as he can drink, and as little medicine as possible. Keep him comfortable, and he will be well in a few days.

In a malignant Scarlet Fever with sore throat, be particularly careful to keep the patient warm, sponge the body with warm water every hour, apply a thick cloth wet with water, to the throat, keeping it wet continually. Give a child a teaspoonful of sweet yeast every three hours, a grown person a tablespoonful. The object of the yeast is to arrest and prevent putrefaction by neutralizing the poison in the stomach: it is the best remedy known. Be particularly careful in the getting-up, as it is well known that more children die in the getting-up than in the disease. When the fever and rash have all disappeared, then keep the bowels open with Medical Discovery. One bottle is sufficient for a child.

#### NETTLE RASH.

Nettle Rash commences with a sense of weight and sickness of the stomach, white furred tongue, great anxiety, faintness, and headache. On

the second day the rash makes its appearance: it resembles the blisters raised by handling nettles. They commence by a tingling, hot sensation of the skin, after which the eruption soon makes its appearance, sometimes covering the whole body in long, pale, raised blotches, surrounded with a bright-red scarlet border. The blotches are hard around the edges, sometimes running together, giving a swollen appearance to the limb, with a smarting, itching sensation, which prevents the sufferer from sleeping. It seldom lasts more than a week, yet that week is far from being a pleasant one, as sometimes the disease suddenly strikes inward; causing great anxiety about the heart, and sickness of the stomach.

#### CURE.

Take one or two bottles of Medical Discovery to cleanse your system and to tone up the general circulation.

---

### ORDER II.

---

### VESICULÆ.

---

#### ECZEMA — HERPES — SCABIES.

In this order comes our own glorious Yankee humor. We named it Salt Rheum, and it is well worthy of its name. No froth, no great soft blebs, no blotches of yellow or brown scabs, ever follow this glorious humor: it is clear Yankee grit, with a Yankee name. Rayer divides Eczema into fifteen varieties, and Erasmus Wilson into twelve; but I shall unite them all in one, and make it national.

Simple Salt Rheum comes in small vesicles, filled with a transparent water, which in a few days often turns red, and breaks through the skin, forming a thin scale, sticks to the skin, until it is torn off by scratching. It comes often in large patches on any part of the body. It is easily known from any other disease of the skin by its small watery blister, not so large as a pin-head. It is never catching.

Inflammatory Salt Rheum comes on as the common simple Salt Rheum, and runs the same course for a few weeks, then begins inflammation of the skin; it becomes of a deep carmine red, covered with small vesicles, which are continually oozing out a salt, sharp fluid, burning to the flesh, and often smelling bad, and in some cases the dressings have to be removed every hour of the day. Inflammatory Salt Rheum often attacks the ears and neck. I have seen the ears burnt and crisped as a piece of



roast meat, and the whole side of the neck a surface of raw, inflamed flesh, pitiable to behold. This disease is particularly liable to fall in parts liable to chafe, and in that case it is one of the greatest calamities in the way of a skin-disease that can happen to you. Salt Rheum is often mixed with other humors, more frequently with pustular diseases, often with Erysipelas, but never with true Scrofula.

Salt Rheum is of a hot, itching nature, and Scrofula is cold and sluggish.

Chronic Salt Rheum is when the disease becomes settled: then it is neither better nor worse. Except that now and then a few pustules appear with it, the disease is covered with thin shiny scales; the itching becomes intolerable, and life a burden.

#### CAUSE.

The causes of Salt Rheum are variable. In some cases a salt, acrid water forming in the system without any known cause, and emptying itself through the pores of the skin. I have known severe cases of Salt Rheum caused by plunging in cold water when bathing: in those cases the system is overheated, and the re-action caused by the cold water caused a curdling of the blood: its water becomes sour, and turns to Salt Rheum. I have known cooks, firemen, and engineers, when greatly heated, to suddenly cool off, and their blood change, and cause Salt Rheum.

In any and every occupation of life, men are liable to become overheated; and, on a sudden change to cold, the blood will change, lose its balsam, and become curdled: its water becomes sour and acrid; and, when it comes to the surface, the gluten it contains forms in crusts, or scabs.

The Salt Rheum often strikes inward, and in such cases the sufferer is an object of much pity. The disease fastens on the nerves, and prevents the free flow of the animal spirits, or what is called, of late years, the nervous fluid. In this case the patient is sick at stomach, and sick at heart, discouraged, and cast down; the mind often becomes sour and morose, every thing goes wrong: you had rather trust your enemy than friend. There are many that come to the very borders of insanity by the Salt Rheum humor striking inward.

I once knew a healthy man become insane by applying a bag full of hot salt to a humor on his neck: in this case, the humor struck to the brain, and he was insane for many months.

Now, my good friends, if any of your friends have Salt Rheum, and it strikes in, be kind to them; be gentle with them; put up with all their little oddities. In such cases, the sufferer makes mountains out of mole-hills; the most trifling thing seems a serious matter to him: therefore be merciful, and, when you need mercy, mercy will be given to you.

## CURE.

The cure of Salt Rheum does not require either science or skill. All you require is patience, perseverance, and Kennedy's Medical Discovery. These three articles, with a liberal application of Kennedy's Salt Rheum Ointment applied to the surface, are sure to effect a cure.

Now, in this disease you must have patience. Your system is fairly saturated with this humor; it may have been in your system for years. Your flesh, your blood, and your bones may be full of it; every tissue and muscle of your body is saturated with it, from the inside to the outside. Now, in such a case, you cannot expect to be cured in a few weeks. You have got to be renovated, renewed, and made over again. All the old and humorous matter must be expelled; the blood must be sweetened, and made to flow freely through your veins, imparting life and vigor, and a full flow of spirits, to every part of your body. You must keep on with the Discovery, in some cases bottle after bottle, month after month. In some constitutions that are very susceptible to the influence of the Discovery, the disease, during the taking of the first bottle full, is made worse; it is often forced to the surface, but you must keep on: take my word, it will cure you if you persevere. In some cases, a few bottles, say two or three, are sufficient; but in old chronic cases, six, seven, and eight are required, and, in rare cases, ten or twelve. You will see in my advertisement, that three or four bottles are warranted to cure Salt Rheum. Well, that was in the days of my early practice: it was true then, as far as my observation and practice extended, and will hold good in seven cases out of ten; but there are severe cases, where twice as many are required. I think it well to be explicit with you in this disease, as I know how often people will get discouraged. Curing Salt Rheum is a slow thing, at best: the progress made from day to day is very little, not perceivable; yet there is progress. Now, I want you to keep up your courage, go on from one bottle to another until you are cured.

I have had thousands of letters from mothers, inquiring the effect and safety of taking the Discovery during pregnancy; and I have paid particular attention to the effect and consequences of it during this period; and I consider it the greatest blessing that a married woman can have in her family.

Married women are often troubled with Salt Rheum and other kindred diseases during pregnancy; and in such cases are almost sure to have a nursing sore mouth and the babe canker. Two or three bottles of Discovery will cure every symptom of the disease. In this case it is not intended that the Discovery will act much on the bowels: the intention is to work gently on the blood, without causing any commotion of the system, merely enough to keep the bowels in good order; and in this way the Discovery can be taken up to the time of confinement; and the mother

will be free from every particle of nursing sore mouth, and the babe free from canker.

I have watched the effect of the Discovery during the whole period ; and I have no hesitation in recommending it as a safe and effectual remedy ; yet in all such cases you must be careful not to give too much, or cause a diarrhœa with it. Your own good sense will guide you in the use of it.

I would again call your attention to the excellent effect of Kennedy's Salt Rheum Ointment as an outward application. It is not recommended as a cure ; for no outward application will cure. This ointment is a softening emollient, and agrees kindly with every flesh. Its effect is to neutralize the acrid and corrosive water that oozes through the pores : it is always safe, in every case giving instant relief in every kind of itching irritation of the skin. Now, I wish to impress on your mind, that you be very particular what you apply outwardly to cure humor. I have known so much mischief done in this way, that I am suspicious, and want you to be suspicious too, of every outward remedy, whether ointment or wash, that dries up the humors too fast. Your own sense must tell you that a humor dried up by any outward application must find some other channel, and locate itself somewhere. If it comes outside, then good and well ; but if it settles inwardly, then you are a poor, miserable creature, and may require months to make a perfect cure. You will remember that it is always a more difficult task to cure an inward humor than the same humor on the surface ; for the reason that the circulation in any of the inward organs is slower than in the flesh. Then once more : in all cases of itching and irritation of the skin, use Kennedy's Salt Rheum Ointment. When you cannot get that, then make an ointment of yellow dock-root, simmered in cream, as the next best.

### HERPES — TETTER.

In this class are included Tetter, Shingles, and Ringworm ; and the difference in symptoms, cause, and cure of these and Salt Rheum is so slight, that Tetter may be called a dry Salt Rheum. The Shingles always attack the body ; the Ringworm, the face and neck ; and Tetter, generally the hands and fingers. The heat of Tetter is more intense, and the pain goes deeper in the flesh, than Salt Rheum ; the Tetter has a hard, brown head, without inflammation. You will follow the same course which I recommend in Salt Rheum. If any thing, Tetter is more stubborn to cure than Salt Rheum.

Apply the Salt Rheum Ointment freely when it itches.

## SCABIES — ITCH.

This disease was formerly very common in New England, but has lately entirely disappeared. I never saw a case of it, and I have no doubt there are hundreds of young physicians who are equally ignorant. Whatever is the cause of its disappearance is not easy to explain: from all accounts of it, none will regret it. In old times, this disease was almost universal. Ancient physicians supposed it to be catching, or something in the air, like the Measles or Small-pox; and purging, bleeding, and blistering were applied without stint; and, as this course could have no possible effect on it, you can imagine how universal this disease must have been. The proudest nobles and the poorest beggars were its victims.

Since the improvement in microscopes, the Itch is found to be a living creature burrowing in the flesh. This was discovered in 1812 by M. Gales, apothecary to the hospital of St. Louis in Paris. Experiments were immediately commenced to ascertain the best remedies to destroy so formidable an enemy. It was found that the Itch will live in clear water four hours; in sea-water it died in three hours; in Goulard's solution it survived but one hour; in castor, olive, almond oil, and sweet-oil, it died in two hours; in Croton oil four hours; in lime-water three-quarters of an hour; in vinegar twenty minutes; in alcohol twenty minutes; in spirits of turpentine nine minutes; in hydriate of potassum six minutes; in solution of arsenic four minutes; in sulphuric-acid three minutes; in creosote it died instantly; placed on powdered sulphur, it was found dead next day. From all these experiments, it was found that sulphur was the surest and safest remedy. You will see by the above, that, small as he is, he will stand pretty strong doses.

---

**ORDER III.**


---

**BUELLE—BLEBS.**


---

**PEMPHIGUS, RUPIA.**

In this order are only two kinds of humor; and, as I cannot find English names for them that are at all appropriate, I shall have to give you their Latin names.

## SYMPTOMS.

Pemphigus begins in red, circular patches: these in a few days are formed into blebs, or blisters, filled with wheyish, thick, sticky water. This is produced by an effusion of serum under the cuticle, and varying in size from a split pea to a filbert. When the bleb attains its growth, the serum gets thicker, and bursts; and the part is soon covered with a thin brown crust, or else is covered with very thin and transparent scales. In some cases, the water is re-absorbed into the system, and, by rubbing your finger on the place, the old skin will rub off, leaving a dark-brown spot. As soon as one crop of these blebs is gone, another is forming in the shape of little blisters, which soon grow larger, and come to a head.

## CAUSE.

This disease is more liable to attack people in the decline of life, and men more than women; and makes its appearance in winter more than summer; and, unfortunately, it frequently becomes chronic in aged people, where the powers of life are feeble, and always indicates a poor constitution and poor blood, lacking in vitality and in recuperative power.

## CURE.

In this, all you have to do is to take the Medical Discovery regular. Do not be discouraged; keep on with it until every particle of the humor is eradicated from your system.

## RUPIA.

## SYMPTOMS.

This is the meanest and most stubborn of all humors. Its first stages are like pemphigus: the blebs are larger, and the crusts thicker. It usually comes on the thighs and legs. It commences with blisters filled with fluid, but instead of being clear water, like other blebs, the fluid is black, which, when it breaks, forms scabs rough and dark colored, which go on gradually increasing. The outer edges of the crust are inflamed; the skin is raised, and another layer is added to the crust, which becomes quite thick, and of a conical form, and has the appearance of the back of an oyster-shell. In some cases, the crust sticks to the sore; in others, it comes off easily. Sometimes a new crust is formed very quickly, and at another time a round, unhealthy ulcer is formed, which is one of the most obstinate and stubborn of all ulcers to bring to a healing condition.

## CAUSE.

In this disease, the fluids have acquired a peculiar acrimony; also a peculiar gluten, which forms in crusts. The acrimony of this disease seems

more malignant and intense than any other humor. The black fluid of the ulcer is an indication of its acrimony and corruption, and that the whole humors of the body are in an exceedingly depraved condition, caused by some change in the system, which is not easily understood; some say poor food, poor living, damp dwellings, and other such causes: but we see the diseases in all conditions of life.

#### CURE.

The first thing to be done is to eradicate all the depraved humors out of the system, to change the blood from its sour, smoky, acrid nature, to a sweet red balsam that will nourish both mind and body. You will take the Medical Discovery, according to direction. You must keep on with it. Do not get discouraged. You must remember that so much acrid matter as you have in your body cannot be eradicated in a week, or even in a month; and that the battle between the Discovery and the disease is a desperate one, and generally a very long and a very tedious one.

When an ulcer is formed, you will treat it exactly as you would an erysipelas ulcer. You will follow the directions given in the chapter on ulcers.

Rupia, notwithstanding its corrosive acrimony, is not a dangerous disease; but it is there, and you want to get rid of it.

---

#### ORDER IV.

---

### P U S T U L Æ.

---

In this order are Ecthyma, Variola, Vaccina, Acne, Impetigo, Sycosis, Tenia.

This is an extensive group of diseases; but none are dangerous: you are more scared than hurt with any of them.

#### ECTHYMA, OR PUSHES.

This is a disease of the skin, characterized by a large, round pustule, nearly the size of a pea, always distinct, and seated on an inflamed base. These are followed by thick and brown scabs, which, when they fall off, leave a dark-colored stain on the flesh. They are liable to attack any part of the body, but most generally the neck and shoulders. They frequently

come on in successive crops: the top often contains matter, while the base is hard and red. The matter usually dries up in two or three days, and leaves a scab.

#### CAUSE.

Maggots.

#### CURE.

Take a few bottles of Kennedy's Medical Discovery.

### IMPETIGO — CRUSTED TETTER.

#### SYMPTOMS.

This comes so near Salt Rheum, that it ought, for all medical practices, to be grouped with it: the only noticeable difference is, that the oozing of the tetter contains more gum, and makes a thicker crust, than Salt Rheum. This disease attacks all parts of the body, but more generally the legs. It is very itchy. The pushes are bursting every few days, discharging a yellowish, wheyish humor, which forms a thick red crust, often taken for Salt Rheum; but the crusts of each are very different.

The Salt Rheum, properly speaking, is not a crust, only a very thin, transparent scale. These little tatters often run together around the ankle, or on the small of the leg, and form little sores, which finally form very severe ulcers, which, when it happens on aged people, are very tedious to heal.

#### CAUSE.

A change in the system, change of diet, poor food, poor clothing, will bring it on.

#### CURE.

You will take the Discovery, and apply Kennedy's Scrofula Ointment. I recommend the Scrofula Ointment in all pustular diseases as stronger, and going deeper in the flesh, than the Salt Rheum Ointment does. Therefore, in all severe blotches, and large and deep scabs, you will apply the Scrofula Ointment in preference to the Salt Rheum Ointment.

### MILK-CRUST.

#### SYMPTOMS.

This is a variety of tetter that is well known. It commences in small tatters on the forehead, cheeks, and edges around the hair, which gradually extends over the head; sometimes covering the whole hair-scalp with a thick yellow crust, well known to most mothers. This disease itches

intolerably, is highly inflamed, and is, altogether, a troublesome disease both to mother and child. I have often looked at both, and did not know which to pity most, — mother, or child.

#### CAUSE.

The cause of this disease is often the fault of the mother, in that she did not pay attention to her bowels during the latter part of her time. In all such times, the mother ought to pay particular attention both to her diet and to her bowels. Many children are born with Milk-Crust, which is by old women considered a good sign. The disease also afflicts children during teething, but is really different in its nature from a teething-humor, as the teething-humor is without the yellow crust.

#### CURE.

Now, take my advice for once in your life, and let Milk-Crust alone, except that you may apply a little olive-oil or sweet cream to soften the scales, and allay the irritation. I know how proud you are of your baby; none like it. Mrs. Brown's or Mrs. Smith's babies don't begin to compare with yours. I know how grieved you are when you look at its head; but do you have patience for a few months, and he will be perfectly free from every speck of humor. I dread the imprudence of young mothers in this disease. I have known many a child sent to an early grave by applying remedies to cure Milk-Crust. It is a common saying among old women, that children affected with Milk-Crust during teething always escape convulsions and diarrhœa, and always get well.

#### PIMPLES.

These are so well known as to require no description.

#### CAUSE.

They are often caused by an overheating of the blood. The common red pimple is merely a distending or raising of the skin filled with sebaceous matter.

Blackheads are of a different nature: the matter formed in them is soon turned to a grub, or worm, and can be squeezed out with the fingers. More particularly when they are seated on the nose, these worms turn black, and are embedded in the flesh, and have every appearance of gunpowder burnt in the flesh; and there is nothing so mortifying to a young lady of eighteen as to have her face full of pimples, as she imagines that every one she meets is looking at her pimples.



## CURE.

In most cases, three or four bottles of Discovery will effect a cure. When four bottles does not effect it, you will bathe the face three times a day with the Discovery. In a few days, the pimples will fester, forming pustules full of matter, and looking like the Small-pox. Then you will discontinue the application of the Discovery for a few days, or until all the festers dry up. Then bathe your face again with the Discovery until pimples fester again. The third time will make a cure, if they can be cured. You will take notice, that in this case nothing but the pimple will fester: the sound flesh is not affected in the least. In some few cases, when the pimples are all festered, a dark-brown spot is left; but this will disappear in a few weeks.

I have had a few cases where the pimples refuse to fester. The effect of the Discovery was to cause an inflammation of the skin and a very tingling sensation; and in a few days the skin will fall off.

I am not able to give any explanation whatever. The cases of it are few and far between; but it is as well to mention them, and save you the trouble of getting angry with me if it happens to you.

## SYCOSIS — CHIN WHELK.

This is a pustular disease, commencing by redness, heat, and inflammation of the chin: small red points come out, which, in a few days, come to full size, say about as large as a pin-head, filled with yellow matter; and from the heart of it springs up a single hair. The pushes then break, forming a dry crust. When the disease is of long standing, the hair of the beard falls out, but grows again. I once had a singular case of this disease. A young man of a strong, robust constitution, with a strong, bushy black beard, from which, when cut with the scissors, oozed out, with a fizzling noise like gas, a white, milky substance, looking very much like the milk in the stalk of a dandelion. I have never been able to find any similar case in any medical work. He took the Discovery; but he removed to New York, and I lost sight of him.

## CURE.

As this is more of a local disease than a disease of the system, I always recommend a free use of my Scrofula Ointment, *laid on thick*. At the same time, you will take a few bottles of the Discovery. Trifling as this disease may appear to you, it is a very tedious one to cure. It oft n takes several months to effect a thorough cure.

## TENIA — SCALD-HEAD.

## SYMPTOMS.

This disease commences with pushes perfectly round, and embedded in the skin: they contain a clear yellow matter, which soon hardens, always with a hollow centre, or forming a cup, but never rising above the level of the skin. This is a distinguishing feature of the disease. They are, as it were, filled in the centre: the cups are often very hard, of a grayish yellow color, sometimes distinct, but often clustered together, forming a large patch accompanied with considerable itching. When distinct, each cell has a single hair growing in it. As in Sycosis, you can always tell this disease by its forming in cups or cells, much like the cells of a honeycomb: sometimes the whole head is covered with a scaly cap. When the scabs continue long, the flesh, and sometimes the bone, is affected. The hair can be pulled out by the roots without causing any pain: in fact, it often falls out of itself, and leaves behind smooth, shiny patches; and, if it grows again, it is always of a weak and woolly kind. This disease is never accompanied with any feverish symptoms, only a disagreeable itching, with a strong, unpleasant smell.

Rayer and Cazenave both say that this disease is always accompanied with swarms of lice in the crevices and crusts of the scabs, and in the matting of the hair. This may be so in Paris; but I am certain it is not so in Roxbury. I have seen wagon-loads of Scald-Heads, and never saw a louse in one of them.

This disease is very catching to some; others cannot take it under any circumstances. The most common way of getting it is by using the same combs or the same towel. Some children are so susceptible to it, they will catch it while playing in the same yard.

## CAUSE.

This disease is said to be caused by poverty and filth, of which I have very great doubt, more particularly as I have had as many cases from among the upper walks of life as the lower ones.

The words *poverty* and *filth*, which are so freely used by European medical writers as the prolific cause of so many diseases of the skin, are not, in any sense in which the words can be used, applicable to our own blessed, happy, and free country.

Late microscopic examinations have proved beyond a doubt, that Scald-Head is of a fungus nature, or, in plain words, mushrooms growing on your head. In fact, I am inclined to think that all dry diseases of the hairy scalp partake of the same nature, — an animal fungus. It is said, and I believe with truth, that children who are long afflicted with Scald-Head are stunted both in body and mind; yet it is difficult to understand why a

crust or scab growing on the soil that covers the brain should cause a withering or stunting of the mind; yet the fact is too well established by the medical faculty to admit of a doubt. This is one of the problems of Nature that cannot be solved.

#### CURE.

The cure of Scald-Head has always been considered one of the most difficult and tedious of all skin diseases. Fomentations, washes of acids, washes of alkalies, pitch-plasters, soap-plasters, yeast-plasters, sulphur-plasters, anthrokokali, sulphates, and carbons without number, have all been tried with more or less success, and with more or less doubts and failures. In my own practice, I have given the Medical Discovery to cleanse the blood, and applied various kinds of Ointments, and in the course of many months effected a cure. I had a case of a lady who complained that the Ointment greased her cap, and wished that I would make up a wash without any grease in it. I complied with the old lady's request; and by one of those providential or inspirational thoughts that all men have at times, I compounded a wash that cured her in a few days. Her case was Salt Rheum, and not Scald-Head; but the effect was so marvellous, that I tried it on Scald-Head with equally marvellous effect.

A lady and her daughter once came to my office: the daughter had a spot of Scald-Head in the hollow on the back of her head. I examined her, told the mother what it was, and that I could cure her. Her reply was, "Well, doctor, that spot has cost us a good deal of money, and I want to know what your charges will be before we begin." I replied, "Ten cents;" and she exclaimed, "Why, doctor! that spot has cost my husband over two thousand dollars, and it is not a bit better than it was ten years ago. My husband is a sea-captain, and we often go to sea with him; and, at every port that we have been, he tried to cure her. We have been to Dr. Rayer of Paris, Dr. Heberden of Vienna, and Dr. Erasmus Wilson of London. Now, these three men are said to be the greatest in the world for curing skin diseases; all three of them had a fair trial of her, and we paid them heavy bills, and they did no good: and now you say you will cure her for ten cents: well, I shall believe it when I see it."

I gave her a phial full, with directions to wet the spot with the wash three times a day: that was all she required. The mother was quite incredulous, and plainly manifested her contempt in her face. In about a week she came back, with a most joyful countenance, saying, "Well, doctor, ten cents won't do it; but I guess twenty will." She took another phial full, and the girl was perfectly cured.

I tried this wash on all diseases of the scalp, and found it to be not only a specific remedy in disease, but a specific to make the hair grow on bald places. Its extraordinary properties to make the hair grow has

induced me to put it up as a proprietary article, and known to the trade as Dr. Kennedy's Hair Grower. It does not in any instance change the color of the hair, it only opens the hair cells, and promotes its growth: it is perfectly safe, and free from every deleterious ingredient.

---

## ORDER V.

---

### PAPULAS.

---

In this order are Lichen, Prurigo, and Thunder Humor.

#### LICHEN.

##### SYMPTOMS.

This commences in small, solid pimples, and rarely contains either humor or water, and is liable to attack any part of the body, or even the whole surface of the body, as in Universal Lichen. It commences in solid pimples the color of the skin, then turning to a reddish, then to a brown tint. They are generally distinct, and are smaller in Lichen than in Prurigo. In Lichen of the aged, the skin is highly inflamed and swollen, becomes thick, and full of fissures. You can rub a dust or dandruff from it. The itching is of the most intense kind; the nails are freely used, and the more you use them the worse you are.

This disease has been known to continue for years, causing the patient the most intense anguish, more particularly in bed. I have known many a case walk the floor all night.

In the kind known as Inveterate Lichen, the skin is dry, rough, and furrowed, with deep wrinkles at the joints. In such cases, the pores of the skin are closed, and the sweating functions completely stopped.

This disease is very often mixed with others, particularly Impetigo and Pemphigus. In such cases, it is exceedingly troublesome, as scratching is liable to set the large scabs of Impetigo and Pemphigus bleeding.

#### PRURIGO.

This is nothing more nor less than a severe form of Lichen. Their beginning, growth, and end are precisely the same. The pimples of Prurigo are larger, and flat at the top; sometimes they are small blisters; pushes and small boils are developed with it. In Prurigo of the aged, the skin

becomes thick, of a dirty yellow color, full of lines and streaks lengthwise and crosswise. The old skin comes off in dust, leaving an angry, red surface; and in a few hours the new skin becomes old, and you can rub it off in the same way.

I will here quote the language of M. Rayer, as more expressive than any thing I can write. He says, "The itching is incessant, frequently insupportable, and accompanied with a most distressing sensation, compared by the sufferers to having their flesh devoured by thousands of ants, or the piercing of the skin with red hot needles, and the heat of the blood to burning fires, maddening the itching to such a degree, that life is considered a burden. Patients afflicted with this disease tear themselves cruelly with their nails the whole night, and are unable to sleep, until, towards morning, they sink from exhaustion into forgetfulness, or, after a few hours of disturbed sleep, are awakened at the first appearance of dawn by their unsparing tormentor. The violence of the scratching to which the sufferers so afflicted yield themselves, produces redness of the skin, and, by removing the head of the pimples, gives rise to numerous small black scabs, these resulting from the oozing of minute drops of blood from each of the wounded pimples, and intermingled cracks and fissures. This will continue for years; and at its cure, if cured, the skin continues thick and dry, and epiderma exfoliates by a furfuraceous and mealy desquamation."

This is M. Rayer's description of it, and it is a correct one in every particular.

Canzenave, Rayer, and Willan say this disease breeds innumerable swarms of lice. Whoever will read the works of these celebrated physicians must come to the conclusion that the French, with all their leadership of the fashions, are at best a lousy set.

I have seen hundreds of cases of this disease, in all grades of society, on the poorest of our population, some ill fed and ill clad, but never saw vermin of any kind follow the disease.

#### CAUSE.

The cause of Prurigo and Lichen is one and the same thing: a chemical change in the system, by which the fluids acquire that hot, burning itchiness, so different from every other pimple as being more intense and sharp. It is akin to the fluid that causes toothache or neuralgia. The same particles, instead of fastening on some particular nerve, are scattered through the system, and work their way to the surface, containing no water, and no humor, but a drop or an atom of black, poisonous blood. Bad as it is on the outside, be thankful it is out. Only think of it, when these venomous diseases settle inward, what a life you lead!

In a few years the system becomes tainted with this virus, and the whole body is saturated with it, changing the flesh to a smoky acid, like

smoked ham ; and the intensity of the disease weakens the mind as well as the body. Much has been written and said on this disease ; yet the intensity of the disease is past telling, either by pen or tongue.

### CURE.

In this disease, patience and perseverance are of great service. That poisonous venom has saturated every vein, tissue, and muscle of your body ; your blood and your nervous fluid are full of it : therefore, there is but one course for you to pursue ; that is Kennedy's Medical Discovery inwardly, and Kennedy's Salt Rheum Ointment outwardly, both to be taken and applied until you become a new creature. Every particle of the venom must be eradicated ; and new flesh, new blood, new bones, and a new heart, — all must be made over again before you are well. You will remember this must be a work of time. It is now that your patience and perseverance in taking the Discovery comes in play, and you must show yourself a man. You must apply the Salt Rheum Ointment freely, laying it on thick, and rubbing it well in.

A great many mistakes are made, and cures long retarded, by merely greasing the flesh with Ointment. This will not do, as the lard in the Ointment will never cure you : it is the herbs boiled in the lard that does the work. Therefore, a mere greasing of the flesh will do no good ; while laying it on thick will give immediate relief. Apply it as often and as freely as you please.

The object of the Ointment is to neutralize the acrid matter as it comes to the surface ; also to soften the flesh, and enable the circulation to flow freely.

### THUNDER · HUMOR.

What is Thunder Humor ? Probably no cutaneous disease has ever excited more curiosity than this humor, as all writers on diseases of the skin are entirely silent on the subject, and many have doubted the existence of it altogether. But I do assure you it is a reality, and a disagreeable one too. When I first announced that I had discovered a common pasture-weed that cured every kind of humor, from the worst scrofula to a common pimple, except *thunder humor*, I made mention of the latter for two reasons, — first, as a sort of braggadocia ; second, to create a mystery. It answered both purposes very well. There is one drawback to it ; that is, when people have taken the prescribed number of bottles, and are not cured, they are sure they have got thunder humor ; and it has cost me a small fortune in postage-stamps to tell them what Thunder Humor is.

The first case I saw of it was this : Mr. P. was out in a thunder-storm, was struck by lightning, and laid insensible on the field for three hours. A heavy shower came on, and restored him to consciousness. He was able

to walk home in a very feeble state. When his family examined him, he was covered with a rash, which itched intolerably. For several years he had tried all known remedies, without any benefit. I was so confident my medicine would cure him, that I offered to bet fifty dollars against fifty cents on the result. Fortunately for me, Mr. P. was a man of principle. He took several bottles on condition of no cure, no pay; and, to my great surprise, he did not receive the slightest benefit.

The most singular thing connected with this humor is its attraction to iron, particularly to steel; and the purer the steel, the greater the attraction. In fact, he was a perfect magnet. When the humor was inward, I saw him take a chisel in his hand: it brought the humor out in fiery red papulæ; first commencing in a circle around the iron, then gradually extending up the arm. It broke out similar to what we commonly call goose-skin; then immediately turned a fiery red.

The second case that came under my observation was a sailor. He was employed on the Chelsea ferry-boat when I saw him. While on a voyage from Boston to New Orleans, the vessel was struck by lightning. He was stunned, and for a few minutes was entirely insensible. When he recovered, he found, to his surprise, that he was full of humor. This man took several bottles of the Medical Discovery, without any benefit. The singularity of this case was his sensibility to electrical changes in the atmosphere. He could tell the precise time of a thunder-storm, its severity and duration, several hours before it took place.

Some years ago I was in company where Thunder Humor was the sport of the conversation, when one of the gentlemen said he could vouch for the existence of it to his sorrow. Last summer he was riding on Lynn Beach. Seeing a squall coming on, he drove to the nearest house, and ran his horse under the shed. While standing there, the shed was struck by lightning: his horse, a valuable one (worth three hundred dollars), was stunned, and in a few hours was covered with humor, and rendered valueless for a carriage-horse: he sold him for fifty dollars.

Writers on cutaneous diseases place two humors, Lichen and Prurigo, in the order Papulæ. I propose to place Thunder Humor in the same order, as it is evidently papular, containing neither serum nor pus. It rises in small prominent points, or goose-skin, without any inflammation of the epidermis: at the acme of the points they assume an intense fiery red, redder than scarlet fever at its height; whereas Lichen and Prurigo are both of a dull brown. Again: these latter are characterized by frequent thickening of the skin, and disappearing by desquamation or exfoliation; whereas Thunder Humor has none of these appearances, but settles again of itself, and in a few minutes the epidermis is as smooth as if it never was disturbed.

It cannot be classed with the Vesiculæ, as it does not contain serum or pus; and it cannot be confounded with Lichen or Prurigo, as it differs

from them in its first cause, peculiar sensibility to electrical changes in the atmosphere, and its attraction to iron, and in its acuminated red scarlet points with their base natural.

Connected with this subject, I take unto myself three great honors; first, of discovering a common pasture-weed that cures every kind of humor, from the worst scrofula down to a common pimple; second, of describing a new and hitherto unknown humor; third, of publishing the first American work on diseases of the skin. Trifling as these few pages may appear to you (I am ashamed to say it), it is the first American work on this subject.

---

## ORDER VI.

---

### SQUAMÆ, OR SCALE.

---

In this order are four diseases, *Lepra*, *Psoriasis*, *Pytiriasis*, and *Ichthyosis*, or, in plain English, White Scall, Dandruff, and Fish-skin.

#### LEPRA, PSORIASIS.

##### SYMPTOMS.

These are one and the same disease: the only difference is a mere trifling color of the scales, — one more shining and silvery than the other.

This disease commences in small spots or elevations of the skin, covered with a white, dry scale. This small speck enlarges itself into a circle, sometimes quite round, more frequently with sharp curves, with the skin in the centre in a sound state. These rings are of various sizes and shapes, and attack all parts of the body, but more especially the arms and knees; yet, in some cases, the whole body is covered with scaly rings.

This disease is easily known from any other skin-disease by its white, brittle, and silvery scales. Properly speaking, this does not come under that class of diseases that are caused by impurities of the blood, as impurity of the blood manifests itself by scabs and glutinous crusts being, as it were, by the force of nature expelled from the system.

##### CAUSE.

I have carefully examined the pathological appearance of this disease, from beginning to end, in a number of cases; and I have come to the con-



elusion that the disease itself has an entirely different origin from what was always ascribed to it.

It has, since the first description of it by Daniel Turner (the first English writer on diseases of the skin), been supposed to be a sweating, or that the perspiration was loaded with a heavy sediment, which congealed on the surface instead of escaping in vapor. This, indeed, is a plausible theory, and perhaps the only one that could be maintained with any degree of rational argument, when writing on the disease.

Now, in the face of all writers, ancient and modern, it may seem presumption to contradict any theory that has the sanction of such names as Erasmus Wilson, Plumb, Cazenave, Rayer, Neligan, Green, Willan, Gilbert, Willis, Jackson, Baker, and Heberden. These are high and honored names, shining lights in all that relates to diseases of the skin. Yet in the face of all these names, who are an honor to human nature, I boldly say, that the nature of the disease is different from any thing that any of them ever surmised.

In July, 1860, I had a case of perfectly-developed Psoriasis, — a Mrs. — of South Boston. This was treated by physicians far and near; and the usual preparations of arsenic administered, without any effect. In this disease, Fowler's solution of arsenic has always been considered the most effectual remedy. When she came to me, I considered hers the best developed specimen I ever saw; and I paid particular attention to it in all its stages, from the first minute speck to the enlarged and irregular circle; and at last came to the conclusion that the whole thing was a *worm*, or worms, or parasites, or animalculæ, in the skin. This worm is engendered in the flesh, or perhaps between the true and scarf skin.

This worm, or grub, by some peculiar virus it possesses, kills or deadens the skin within its reach; but, as the circle enlarges, the skin in the centre recovers its vitality, and becomes sound, healthy skin. In some cases the centre remains dead, and becomes a patch of scales, easily rubbed off, and exposing a red, inflamed surface.

#### CURE.

The only redeeming qualities in this disease are, that it is never catching; it does not make you sick; it will not shorten your days one hour; it seldom itches. The only inconvenience about it is, *it is there*, and you keep thinking about it.

To effect a cure, you will apply Kennedy's Lepra Ointment to the parts affected: you will apply two or three times a day. This will cause the parts to fester, and the worms, or grubs, will turn to matter, and run out. When the festering commences, you will discontinue applying the Ointment until the parts dry up; and then commence again, and let it fester a second time, and in some severe cases it may be necessary to let it fester a third time; then let it dry up, and you are cured.

Years ago, I cured this disease with the Medical Discovery, and applying the Scrofula Ointment very freely to the parts; but, since I discovered the Lepra Ointment, I find it sufficient without the Discovery.

Lepra is of rare occurrence, and it does not pay the druggists to keep the Lepra Ointment. Your only way is to send to me direct, and you will receive it by express. Price, one dollar per bottle.

## PYTIRIASIS — DANDRUFF.

### SYMPTOMS.

This disease is characterized by a chronic inflammation of the skin, by the production of small white scales, or white dust, or patches of irregular form and variable size, liable to attack any part of the body. It is attended with heat, itching, and tingling, and is by far the most troublesome of all scaly diseases of the skin. Yet this never forms a real scale: it is only a mealy dust, which is produced almost as fast as you rub it off; and, as a general thing, it is more common among women than among men; also more common in old age than middle age.

### CAUSE.

This disease is caused by too much alkali in the system. The alkali is eating up too much of the grease in your system, and the sebaceous glands, instead of giving out their oil to lubricate the skin, have nothing to give; consequently the skin becomes dry and parched, and falls off in dust.

### CURE.

This disease is very liable to attack parts liable to chafe, and is most excruciating and troublesome in its effects; and a good scratching is considered the greatest of all earthly enjoyments. Now, your only relief is a free application of Kennedy's Salt Rheum Ointment. Apply this freely all over your body; rub it well in. You will be astonished to see how the hungry and starved glands will take it up. Give it to them all it will take: it will bring them to a healthy condition, and neutralize the alkali on the surface. You must also take several bottles of the Discovery. This will eradicate the alkali out of the system, and restore to the blood its bland and nourishing properties; but, like all other diseases of the skin, a permanent cure is only obtained by a long course of treatment, and a complete change in the whole system.

## ICHTHYOSIS — FISH-SKIN.

Up to this date (January, 1858), I have seen but two cases of this disease. The first was a young man from Vermont, who informed me that

his family were similarly afflicted; that they inherited the disease from their father. The skin on this young man's face had thickened and drawn up, so that his lips were, as it were, turned inside out; the skin of his cheeks and forehead was drawn up so much as to give his eyes an enlarged and most unnatural stare, as it exposed almost the whole part of the socket. I did not see this man but once, and of course had no opportunity to examine into the nature of the disease.

The other case was a lady about thirty years of age. This lady was a patient of mine over a year; and I paid particular attention to her case, as it was so very remarkable. She attributed all her trouble to a sudden check of perspiration. This opinion was indorsed by some of the most famous physicians of Europe; yet it always appeared to me impossible that a cause so trifling would produce such a wonderful change.

This lady had tried the most eminent physicians in the United States; went to England, was under Sir Astley Cooper's care for several months; then went to Paris, was examined in the hospital by M. Rayer and the most celebrated physicians of France for over a year; then she visited all the sulphur-springs of Germany and Switzerland, without any benefit. A Spanish doctor that she met with in Switzerland agreed to cure her for one thousand dollars, — five hundred down, and the other five hundred when the cure was effected. She was under his care for several months; and, before he left her, he got the other five hundred, and left her worse than he found her. *So you see that rogues and fools are not all dead yet.* Her words to me were, "*He not only cheated me out of a thousand dollars, but fed me on arsenic.*"

During the year she was my patient, she took fourteen bottles of Discovery, and used several boxes of Ointment, and is now perfectly cured. This being the only case I ever had a chance to examine, I cannot describe it as a type for you to follow, as it differed greatly from some of the cases mentioned by Cazenave, who describes it very minutely, but unfortunately calls it incurable.

He says, "It is not merely the result of an accidental alteration and thickening of the epidermis lamellæ: it is evidently a profound organic lesion of the whole cutaneous tissue. The skin is thick, furrowed, and covered with genuine scales, which are dry, hard, resistant, grayish, and sometimes pearly-colored, often very glossy, and surrounded several times with a blackish circle. These scales are formed by the thickened cuticle, furrowed all over, free at one extremity, and umbricated at the point of attachment to the skin. Some of them are small, and surrounded with a multitude of furfureous points, which correspond to the furrows of the epidermis; others are larger, and are much diffused over the wrinkled surface.

"These scales may be removed without causing the slightest pain, and do not leave the slightest redness after them on the skin; but it is rough,

Faint, illegible text at the top of the page, possibly a header or introductory paragraph.

Second block of faint, illegible text, appearing as a separate paragraph.

Third block of faint, illegible text, continuing the document's content.

Fourth block of faint, illegible text, showing signs of fading and bleed-through.

Fifth block of faint, illegible text, with some darker spots and staining.

Sixth block of faint, illegible text, appearing as a distinct section.

Seventh block of faint, illegible text, showing significant discoloration.

Eighth block of faint, illegible text, with some larger stains and foxing.

Ninth block of faint, illegible text, possibly a concluding paragraph or footer.

ULCERATED SCROFULA

SCROFULA SWELLING

Fig 2



Fig 1



Fig 3



COMMON RED PIMPLE

Fig 4



COMMON BLACK HEAD

and, on passing the hand over it, it conveys the sensation of the surface of a file, or even of the backs of certain fishes: the scales are thicker on the limbs than elsewhere. However much extended this scaly eruption may be, or whatever alteration it may produce in the tegumentary envelope, it never occasions any serious derangement to the functions of organic life: there is no pain or itching; the skin is no longer able to perform its transpiratory functions, except at certain points, which are always moistened with copious respiration."

---

## ORDER VII.

---

# TUBERCULÆ.

---

This order includes Scrofula, Cancer, and Lupus.

## SCROFULA.

### CAUSE.

The ancient physicians said there were four primary humors in the system; viz., *blood*, *phlegm*, *cholera*, and *melancholy*, upon which four the temperament of the body is founded, and by mismanagement or abuse, the one is often changed into the channels of the other, and brings on a train of serious evils. When all these humors are so combined as to bring their exact and equal share to the body, then they furnish a healthy and sound constitution. Modern physicians, having the advantage of chemistry to aid them (a science of which the ancients were entirely ignorant), say that the *acids*, *salts*, and *alkalies* of the body, being unequally blended, somehow become vitiated, causing a fermentation of the whole mixture, which throws the extraneous matter to the surface. The above is very good for college use, but does not meet common family sense.

Scrofula may come from various causes. It may be hereditary, yet there must be a cause for it. Why did your father or grandfather have it? ("Got it from Adam, handed down hand in hand with original sin.") I will take the most common ways of receiving Scrofula in the system. First, from a bad stomach that does not digest your food; then, in the next place, from deficient chyle, or what is called the beginning of life; or, where the chyle is converted into blood, the separation of particles does not take place in a healthy manner: this deficiency in separating the vital-

izing germs fills the system with thin, poor blood, negative and weak, and full of animalculæ that feed on what little vitality there is in you. This is what is called in medical language a scrofulous diathesis, or liability to be attacked with active Scrofula at any time.

The only difference between constitutional humor and acquired humor is, that in constitutional humor there is already a taint in the system itself, that turns a part of the nourishment into humor by a chemical change in the circulation. In the acquired humor, the assimilating process at the beginning of the blood is imperfect. A part of the nourishment goes to form bone; a part flesh, muscle, blood, fat, and fibre. The assimilating process dissolves, divides, and takes up and sends off every thing to its proper place in the system. Now, when digestion and assimilation are both wrong, and things get mixed up, then the system is filled with raw, undigested, or slimy humors: this, in turn, affects the blood; and from the blood to the lymphatic fluid is only one step. The lymphatic fluid is next in importance to the blood itself, as it circulates in every nerve in the body. The most scientific physicians of the present day say that Scrofula is decidedly a lymphatic disease: this is correct so far as the development of the disease is concerned, but not as to its primary cause.

The Lymph is now full of millions of animalculæ, running through every nerve in your body, and eating up your vitality, and making you the poor, languid creature you are. Various other diseases have a tendency to generate a scrofulous habit of the system, such as Measles, Scarlet Fever, and Whooping-cough. These, in their own nature, have no inward resemblance to Scrofula; yet carelessness, getting cold, errors of living when the patient is getting better, bring on a state of the system highly favorable to the breeding of animalculæ. These animalculæ die, and cause a sediment of the Lymph. This sediment is carried forward in the circulation, and by its glutenish nature sticks in the valves or glands of the nerves, and, by adding a little and little every day, finally forms those lumps which we call strumous swellings. These swellings are liable to form on any part of the body, inside and outside, but most generally on the neck. In many cases, these strumous swellings disappear without any remedies: the vitality of the system and the force of the circulation are sufficient to propel them forward into the stomach.

The effect of climate has much to do in producing a scrofulous state of system: the inhabitants of tropical climates are more affected by Scrofula than those of temperate climates.

Children born of perfectly healthy parents, yet who live in impure air, in crowded and badly-ventilated rooms, and on deficient and unwholesome food, are naturally fit subjects for Scrofula. In all low and marshy countries, the disease is more common than on dry and high ground.

It said that in Holland, and in some of the marshy districts of England,

the disease is peculiarly prevalent; and it is well known to be so in our own country.

#### SYMPTOMS.

The symptoms of Scrofula are, by English physicians, said to be fair hair, soft, fine, thin skin, beautiful complexion, and blue eyes. Now, I should be sorry to have all the angels of the world full of Scrofula. I know by actual experience and observation, that the English symptom is not applicable to one in a thousand cases: if it was so, women might well consider their beauty a curse; now, my dear girls, there is not one word of truth in it, so make yourselves look as beautiful as you can.

Individuals with a scrofulous constitution are troubled with inflammation of the nostrils, thick lips, inflammation of the eyelids, rotten gums, and poor teeth, and an undue secretion of saliva: these, with the swelling of the glands on the neck, are the principal symptoms of outward Scrofula. Now, outward Scrofula is bad enough; but how much worse when it settles inward! which it frequently does, as we find Scrofula of the lungs with every characteristic of Scrofula in the tubercles, we find Scrofula of the liver, Scrofula of the spleen, Scrofula of the kidneys, and Scrofula of the bones. In one respect, Scrofula differs from all other diseases of the skin, in that it is of a cold, sluggish nature, and never itches: true Scrofula ulcers seldom cause any pain. Some individuals are troubled with scrofulous swellings of the glands during the greater part of their life, without causing them any inconvenience or suffering.

#### CURE.

While writing this pamphlet, my mind was much exercised on digestion, and how good, wholesome, well-cooked food of beef and bread, and all the "fixings," could be converted into Scrofulous Humor. I was thinking of this one night after I went to bed; and, like Beecher trying to reach the origin of evil, I was trying to find the origin of Scrofula. I do not know how he came out on his; but I could not see my way clear in mine. I had many cases of strong, rugged, bony, sinewy men, whose digestion was good, liver active, and bowels regular, and yet decidedly scrofulous, with ulcers and kernels as large as your fist. While musing on this subject I fell asleep, and dreamed that I was inside a human body: every viscera was as large as a good-sized chamber. I walked all through the heart, saw the cause of its beating; walked through the liver, and from there to the lungs and spleen; and a guide with me, explaining every thing connected with man's life. I saw many things that were entirely new to me, among other things, that the blood did not get its red color from the oxygen of the atmosphere, but from a small stream that flowed into it, and turned it red; but the most wonderful thing of all was what we call life itself, the vital spark, or whatever we may choose to call it.



Life, as I saw it, was a clear, transparent silvery cloud or atmosphere around the body. The body was enveloped in this; the body was fed by this; and the health of the body depended upon how much of this electrical cloud it could absorb or consume. This cloud set the heart in motion by its pressure: it seemed to be to the heart what a mill-pond would be to a mill. The beauty of this dream was, that I seemed to understand the whole phenomenon of life. In the morning I thought I never could forget it; but before sundown it had nearly all vanished, and, unfortunately, the origin of Scrofula vanished with it: so I must leave the theory of dreams for the hard facts of science.

Scrofula and Epilepsy have always been mysterious diseases, and, of course, have given rise to all kinds of superstitious and nonsensical treatment and remedies.

To go back to the early history of the disease in England, we find it called King's Evil, from the fact that the pope conferred upon Edward the Confessor, the last of the Saxon kings, on account of his sanctity, and devotion to the Christian religion, the power of curing this disease by laying on of hands; and from that time it became familiarly known as King's Evil. William the Conqueror, who succeeded Edward, claimed the same power, but on what grounds is not stated: from that time, until William and Mary, the gift was claimed by the kings of England. Some of them derived enormous revenues from it at a shilling a touch; and thousands availed themselves of coming in contact with the king, who had no disease whatever; but what is most singular is that sensible men believed in it.

Dr. Willis, one of the greatest and wisest of the physicians of that time, and whose published works are a marvel for that age, says, "It is delivered to us from our ancestors, that the seventh son, or he that is born the seventh one after another in a continued series, can cure this disease by stroking it with his hands; truly I have known many whom no medicine could help, to have been cured by this remedy in a short time; and there are but few who doubt but this disease is cured by our lord the king."

In the reign of Charles the Second there were regular healing-days appointed by court. These were regular gala-days: there were special services in the church, and special prayers in the prayer-book of that time; but, in the reign of Queen Anne, these prayers were omitted. I at one time owned the whole service in a medical work of that period.

Dr. Richard Wiseman, who was "Sargent-Chirurgion" to Charles the Second, says he "was an eye-witness to thousands of cures; and that it was well known, and could not be controverted, that the royal touch cured more in one year than all the surgeons of England in an age; and that struma swellings on the neck, which withstood the most powerful scattering emolient remedies for many months, nay, for many years, had immediately disappeared after the royal touch."

Wiseman was a full believer in the divine rights of kings, and vents his spleen very unsparingly on those who do not believe in him. Opposition will rise against the best of men, even when engaged in the best of all works, the curing of their fellow-men; and so it was with Charles.

At this time an Irishman, by the name of Greatrakes, was impressed that he could cure the evil by the laying of hands. He seems to have been very successful in Ireland, so much so, that his fame extended to England.

Daniel Turner, the first English writer on diseases of the skin, gives credit to Greatrakes for honesty, and that he never accepted any reward; he freely received and freely gave.

Wiseman takes great offence at the patronage extended to Greatrakes, and asks the question, "Who are these that detract his grace from our lord the king? If we follow them into private life, we find they are Low Churchmen, Whigs, Nonconformists, and Roundheads, who do all in their power to bring our lord the king into ridicule."

On the accession of William, Prince of Orange, to the throne, it was expected that the healing-days would be kept up with the same pomp; but he, like a sensible man, denied having any such gift, and advised all who came to him to pray to God for grace. This was the only action of William's life for which the High-Church party gave him credit, — not assuming to himself divine rights.

Wiseman then complains that the poor are left to die, that there is no known remedy, and that the lawful king is a hopeless exile. However, a new class of physicians are now on the stage to fill the gap left by the king: the practice of these he considers more reprehensible than that of Greatrakes. He says of them, "They cure the evil by *charms, conjurations, characters, ganglion notes, magic ligatures, rings, laces*, and other bad tricks, by which they pervert and pollute the divine art of healing, and endanger men's souls."

Now, gentle reader, some of these absurdities have come down to our own day. I have seen many of them. A few years ago, selling charms was quite a lucrative business, from the seventh son down to the hair of a jet black cat. It is difficult to believe, that, among the gospel privileges of New England, people can be found to be guilty of such things; yet they give as a reason, that, as physicians have failed them, they are willing to try any thing, on the same principle that drowning men catch at a straw.

Now, my dear friend, we must leave superstition, and come to common sense and reality. We will take it for granted, that you have Scrofula of the system, or inward Scrofula; in such a case, all you have to do is to take five, six, seven, or eight bottles of the Discovery, according to direction; take enough of it to keep your bowels in good order. You do not require them to be too loose; you must exercise in this your own common sense. The above number of bottles will make a cure in eight cases out of ten; but there are a few old chronic cases that will require more. In this

case, you do not require change of diet or living, but go on in your regular way of living, eat the best you can get, and enough of it.

We will now come to the most serious part of Scrofula, namely, the swellings on the neck, or what is called strumous swellings of the glands. Now, I want you to be particular, and follow my directions in this disease from beginning to end. These swellings begin among the cords of the neck, sometimes under the chin. You at first notice them about as large as a pea.

At the first appearance of these kernels, I would advise you to take one or two bottles of the Medical Discovery, and apply Kennedy's Scattering Liniment to the lump, rub the Liniment in well, and at night wet a piece of woollen cloth with the Liniment, and bind it on all night. We will now say that the lump is as large as an egg before you do any thing for it: in such a case, of course, it will take longer to scatter it; but you must keep on, it will be getting less and less every day. You will not be in the least afraid that scattering it will drive it anywhere else. You are taking the Discovery, and that will carry it off as fast as it is scattered.

We will again say that the lump was as large as an egg, or twice as large, before you have done any thing to relieve it. It is now turning purple and painful, there are shooting, darting needles passing through it, not very painful, but yet it causes an anxious dread, and makes you sick at heart. Now, these scrofulous lumps are different from any thing else in the human system. There is no poultice, no emolient, no ripening application, known in the whole Materia Medica that will have the slightest effect on them after they turn purple, either to bring to a head, or turn them back.

The lump has now broke in very small openings: these openings grow larger; a small quantity of a cheesy, pasty substance comes away; in a few weeks, the flesh sloughs away, forming an ulcer, with deep, reddish-black, and jagged sides, the edges uneven, and pieces of clotted flesh are formed in and around the sides of it. If this flesh could be ripened by poultices into good pus, it would be all very well; but it cannot be done. This flesh has to slough away, and slough away, until it is all gone. In some cases, the sloughing is exceedingly slow and tedious: in such cases it will be well for you to apply the Scattering Liniment to the sound part of the lump: this will help the process by softening them. In this state of the ulcer you will apply Kennedy's Scrofula Ointment to the sore. Apply it freely; fill the sore with it if you can. The effect of the Scrofula Ointment is to eat the proud flesh as fast as it forms, and keep the ulcer clean, as soon as the old putrid flesh is consumed, the Scrofula Ointment will work such a change in the ulcer as to put on a healing appearance. When you see the ulcer look healthy, you will then apply Kennedy's Healing Ointment on alternate days; or one day the Scrofula Ointment, two or three times a day; next day the Healing Ointment, two or three times; and so on until the cure is completed.

In very severe cases, where the ulcer is large and of long standing, and the health and strength seem failing, you will apply soothing and comforting poultices. Among the best applications is a poultice of common white beans, boiled soft, and applied; red beets boiled, mashed, and mixed with pulverized charcoal. This will blunt the acrimony of the humors, and prevent all bad smell.

While preparing this pamphlet for the press, I became astonished at the indifference manifested by modern physicians on the subject of Scrofula. Erasmus Wilson, the greatest of English writers on diseases of the skin, does not even allude to it; and yet he devotes thirty-six pages of his excellent work to diseases of the hair, and ten to the itch, a work far more fitting to a barber than to the head of the English medical profession. Cazenave, Green, and Nelinger are equally silent on the subject. Plumb touches the subject, but handles it with kid gloves, as if he did not know what to do for it. This is what I call sinful neglect.

In Rayer's great work, there are four hundred and forty-four folio pages on diseases of the skin: and only four and a half are devoted to Scrofula, the parent of all humors; and even in that there is not an idea worth copying, except his advice. He says, "The first and main object must be to accomplish some modification of the constitution, by means of appropriate regimen, habits, and exercise. Practitioners are generally agreed to recommend a warm climate and dry atmosphere, living in a healthy situation, and exercise in the open air when the weather will permit it. The diet requires particular attention; good animal food, beef and mutton, roasted or boiled; antiscorbutic vegetables, as endive and water-cresses; fresh eggs, roasted poultry or game, fresh fish, good beer or generous wine mixed with some sparkling Chalybeate water; bathing often in sulphurous sea-water and iodated baths."

Now, reader, I heartily indorse all, except moving to a warm climate. If you will remain at home, and take Rayer's advice as to your living, and take a course of eight or ten bottles of Kennedy's Medical Discovery, and apply the Ointment as directed, I will guarantee a cure.

It may seem strange to you, but it is a fact, that my patience and medical skill have been put to more severe tests in curing that mean, contemptible disease, Salt Rheum, than in curing Scrofula.

## GOITRE.

This is a swelling of a soft, pulpy substance, commencing on the hollow below the apple on the throat. This never comes to a head, and never forms a sore; is entirely different in its nature from Scrofula. It does not denote any humor in the system. It can be scattered by a free application of Tincture of Iodine.

## CANCER.

A celebrated spiritual medium gave me her theory of the cause of Cancer. She maintains, that, in a clairvoyant state, she can see the whole process of the formation of Cancer, from the original germ to the final growth of it.

She says that it commences in a dark glutinous mass. This mass, from whatever cause, is stagnant, or the animal life of the body does not penetrate. (If such be the case, I wonder what prevents it from mortifying.) That it grows larger by attracting to it particles of the same nature as itself; that it may remain in this state for months, and even years, without any inconvenience, only the horrid idea that you have a Cancer. In the course of time, this lump or mass becomes alive, from some mysterious process of Nature; it takes unto itself animal life; puts out for itself feeders and suckers in every direction. These suckers we call the Cancer taking root. These suckers now feed on the finest particles of the juices of the body; and the matter and humor which is discharged is nothing more or less than the excrement of the creature, rendered corrosive by passing through its intestines. These are the views of Mrs. W. R. Hayden of New York, the best medical clairvoyant in the United States.

The theory is entirely new so far as I know; and, for my own part, I do not see the slightest objection to it. I myself have never given an hour's time to the study of Cancer: all the applications I ever had I recommended to Dr. Green of Boston, a gentleman perfectly qualified to conquer the disease in all its stages.

I never had but three cases, and all terminated well.

The first, a young girl of Charlestown, Mass., had what was called a cancerous swelling of the left breast, but was unwilling to have it cut off. I attended her while she was taking three bottles of Discovery, and then gave her up as beyond my skill. Some five years afterwards, I met her brother-in-law, who informed me that she took thirteen bottles of Discovery, and was now perfectly well.

The second case was something entirely new, and one to which I would call the particular attention of any one similarly afflicted. A lady of Winchester, Mass., had a Cancer in the left breast, and the breast cut off in the Massachusetts Hospital; and in a few weeks she returned home in good health, and continued so for many years, when the other breast became cancerous, and when examined by the hospital physicians was advised to have it cut off, as the only means to save her life. One of her friends advised her to try Kennedy's Medical Discovery before cutting it off.

She came to me, and was very anxious to try the effect of my Scattering Liniment. I did not hold out any hope whatever for her; yet she took several bottles of it; applied with her hand to the breast, and moistened a piece of flannel with the Liniment, laid it on the breast every

night. Some few months afterwards, her husband called to see me, with the happy information that the Scattering Liniment had caused the disappearance of every sign of it; that the breast was in as natural a condition as it ever was, and altogether from the effect of my Scattering Liniment.

The third case was a lady with a Cancer of the breast. Was cured with the Discovery.

Now, as the price of the Scattering Liniment is only one dollar per bottle, I would advise every one to try the effect of it before using the knife.

## LUPUS.

### CAUSE.

M. Rayer says the cause of it is from eating acrid food, old cheese, tainted meats; and from blows, falls, and bruises; and it is seldom seen in the better class of society. I can safely say none of these causes are applicable to our manifestations of it in the United States. My own opinion is, that if ever there was or there is a disease in which the cause of it is animalculæ, or malignant worms, Lupus is the one. I believe they are bred or generated from cells or eggs in the tubercle, and from there take life and eat the surrounding flesh; and the time will come when this will be proved by microscopic examinations. Nothing in nature but the germ-theory can account for this disease.

### SYMPTOMS.

This makes its appearance in small tubercles in the flesh. When about the size of a pea, they rise above the level of the skin, and are covered with a dark-brown, thick scab, that sticks firmly to the skin. This disease generally comes on the cheek and nose; eating the nose, and, extending to the cheek, commits the same ravages there. This disease does not extend deep into the flesh, and often gets better without any apparent cause, nearly heals, and every hope is entertained that a few days will heal it, — when, all at once, it begins to eat again; and in a few days is as bad as ever.

### CURE.

Happily for mankind, this is a rare disease. There are many physicians in family practice who never saw a case of it; and it has always been considered nearly as difficult to cure it as it is to cure Cancer. Now, the difficulty of curing Lupus, I am happy to inform you, is among the things that are past. You will take the Medical Discovery every day, and apply my Lupus Ointment to the sore. Now, as I believe all the cause of the sore is a germ-breeding of worms, I give you my Lupus Ointment as a specific. The object of this Ointment is to draw out the germs, or worms, that are burrowing under the skin, and kill them on the spot, without

injury to the sound flesh. Now, this is effectually done by applying my Lupus Ointment: the operation may be a little painful; but never mind it, you must grin and bear it. At the first application of the Ointment, a watery fluid will ooze out, which may burn and pucker up the sound flesh. In this case, keep the surrounding flesh clean with milk and water. In the course of a few weeks, or when the sore is looking better, you may apply my Scrofula Ointment every other day until cured.

As Lupus is a very rare disease, it would not pay for druggists to keep my Lupus Ointment for sale: they would not sell a bottle a year of it. It is therefore necessary that the patient should write to me direct, and the Ointment will be sent by express. Price, one dollar.

## ULCERS.

Sir Everard Homes, a celebrated English physician, says that no improvement has been made in the cure of Ulcers since the days of Celsus. This is not a very flattering confession when we consider the great and rational improvements in every other branch of medical science.

Sir Everard was staff-surgeon in the West-India army; and his position gave him an excellent opportunity of observing the treatment of Ulcers, which his sound and sensible judgment turns to the best account in describing the various appearances of Ulcers in that climate.

It seems that twenty-eight per cent of the army were afflicted with ulcerated sore legs. He also remarks that tall men are more liable to the disease than short ones. My own observation fully confirms this; and also that it requires longer time to cure them.

Sir Everard also confesses, or acknowledges, that there is not a single article known to the British surgeon that can be relied on to cure an Ulcer; and at last recommended, that, as soon as an Ulcer of the leg made its appearance, the man be sent home to England, and do garrison duty.

What an amount of money and men it would have saved England, if they had had a few dozen of *Kennedy's Medical Discovery*!

### ON THE FORMATION OF MATTER IN AN ULCER.

Pus, or matter, is supposed to form in an abscess by fermentation, caused by inflammation of the part. It is well known that abscesses can be opened by hastening Nature,—by application of poultices of bread and milk; yet most physicians believe the only effect of bread and milk is to retain the heat, or prevent its escape by the pores: the retaining of the heat causes a fermentation in the body of the abscess, which causes its substance to rot or to form pus. This pus becomes mild, or acrid, as the juices of the body and state of the system are more or less vitiated.

Pus taken from a healthy Ulcer has the following properties:—

It is nearly of the consistence of cream, is of a whitish color, has a mawkish taste: when cold, it is without any smell, but when warm has a peculiar smell.

Examined by a microscope, it is found to consist of two parts, — of globules, and a colorless, transparent fluid; its specific gravity is greater than water; it does not readily go into putrefaction; exposed to heat, it evaporates to dryness; it does not coagulate; it does not unite with water, but falls to the bottom.

Bad pus is where the globules are mixed with a curdy, flaky, transparent fluid, and there is an oozing of the smaller vessels, of an acrid nature, and constantly attended with inflammation.

Pus was supposed to have a corroding quality; and, to test the truth of this, various experiments have been tried, when the assertion was found to be without the least foundation. Pieces of animal flesh were mixed with pus out of an abscess, and in twenty-four hours were not tainted in the least. Animal jellies were likewise subjected to the nicest tests to ascertain the effect of pus on them; and in one hundred and forty-four hours they had not undergone any change. These experiments were the subject of a prize essay before the College of Physicians of Edinburgh.

Some very eminent physicians differ from this theory in total, and maintain that pus is no part of an Ulcer; that, when the abscess breaks, the parts shrink, and form an Ulcer, and pus is formed by a union of lymph and blood and air, and is supplied from the vicinity of the Ulcer.

These two theories have had hosts of advocates on each side, and each side maintained with great plausibility.

This day I learned an entirely new theory, which, for any thing I know, may be as philosophic as any other. It is this: While in conversation with a medical clairvoyant in a trance state, she maintained that all Ulcers are caused by worms, or rather parasites or animalculæ, and that they can be seen by a powerful microscope; that these worms feed on the flesh, and the pus is their excrement. She also maintained that Ulcers are often caused by a worm feeding on the bone; that she herself, with a poultice of flaxseed meal, drew a worm of several inches in length from the leg of a lady of Boston. This theory, at any rate, is worthy of investigation.

I have it myself, from the most reliable authority in two cases, where worms came out by following my prescriptions. The thing then looked so absurd I did not dare publish it; yet could any of my readers see pictures of these creeping things, and flying things, and crawling things, that Ambrose Parry has in his book of "Monsters in the Human System," he might, perhaps, come to the conclusion that there may be worms in an Ulcer.

I now make a statement which probably no physician in the world can make, no matter of what school or nation, — I do not say it boastingly, but in thanksgiving and praise to God, who has revealed to me so many



efficacious remedies, and made me an instrument of so much good to my fellow-creatures. It is this: I never had but four cases of humor that baffled my skill, when I was allowed to give time and attention to them: this, of course, does not apply to cases at a distance that I never saw: it only refers to cases that I attended personally.

Those of my readers who have had Ulcers during thirty or forty years of their life, and who have tried scores of physicians, will doubt this statement; at any rate, will wonder at my success, and inquire the reason for it; in one word, it is this, — strict observation of causes and symptoms, studying the why and wherefore of every phase.

I believe, if a few of our most skilful physicians in large cities would examine themselves, and ascertain what particular disease they were by nature and choice adapted to study, and make that disease their specialty, their practice would be attended with the best result. Unfortunately, there is in the profession a prejudice against specialties, as savoring of quackery, when, in reality, the ill success of the profession in particular cases is the very cause of quackery.

In the legal profession we find criminal lawyers, commercial lawyers, patent lawyers, conveyancy lawyers. I see no reason whatever why the medical profession should not have their specialty, particularly in large cities.

All Ulcers are an outlet to an offensive and impure matter that floats in the circulation; and, if the outlet is closed before the offensive matter is eradicated out of the system, it is sure to work for itself another opening. Therefore be sure, and doubly assured, that all the impurities are cleansed out of the body before you heal an Ulcer.

The whole body of man is only a system of channel-pipes and culverts. Every secretion has its own appropriate channel; and when there is any undue amount of any of the secretions, and that secretion makes itself a new outlet, it is a work of great trouble and anxiety to get it back into its proper channel.

I have often wondered what there is in an Ulcer to keep it open, and then why does it not spread to eat up the whole body? For any thing I can see, it would be as easy for it to keep growing or enlarging as it is to remain stationary. The cause is at work; and what prevents it spreading is the only mystery attending Ulcers.

## ULCERS IN GENERAL.

### SYMPTOMS.

Ulcers are said to be a solution of continuity, or, in common English, a break in tissues of the flesh with a loss of substance, and discharging pus, ichor, sanies, sordes, or any kind of vitiated fluid.

As there are several varieties of Ulcers, and all of them require time, patience, and perseverance to heal them, I shall give as full a description of them as my limits will allow.

In treating and curing of Ulcers I have had long experience and great success. I have always been proud and thankful for my success in treating these diseases, and placed myself in the front ranks, because I have never yet failed in curing an Ulcer, no matter how chronic it was, or how many years it had been running.

## SIMPLE PURULENT ULCER.

### SYMPTOMS.

No. 1. — The leg remains in its natural size and color, without much pain, the sore remaining about the same for years. It does not discharge much humor; neither does it smell offensive, unless neglected.

This Ulcer is seldom deep in the flesh. It discharges a thin sanious humor, and seldom causes any other inconvenience than requiring particular care of your shins when you are in a crowd.

### CAUSE.

The cause of this may be inward or outward; sometimes a scratch, or a slight bruise. You neglect it, get a cold in it; and it festers, and becomes a sore; and you have it for years, healing and breaking again in spite of all you can do for it.

### CURE.

The cure of this Ulcer is quite easy and simple. Take the Medical Discovery to cleanse your system, and apply the Scrofula Ointment and Healing Ointment to the sore. Follow this up until you are cured.

### SYMPTOMS.

No. 2 is an Erysipelatous Ulcer, a Rupia Ulcer, a Gangrene Ulcer, or a Phagedenic Ulcer. The picture will answer for all four of them. This is the Ulcer of Ulcers; it goes from your skin to your flesh, from your flesh to your marrow, from your marrow to your heart. It is the sore of sores; the dread of the medical man, as well as of the patient. It commences generally in a small pimple, with an itching, tingling pain; gradually growing larger and sorer, until the whole leg is affected. In a few months, or perhaps a few weeks, the skin on the leg gets of a purple or liver color, or reddish brown, shining and hard, or else covered with dry and parched scales from the knee to the ankle, and the leg is generally somewhat withered; the Ulcer, or rather Ulcers, for there are generally two or three openings deep in the flesh, often exposing the bone. This Ulcer is always

foul, and always contains a greenish, white, stringy matter ; and the flesh is exceedingly painful.

There is in this Ulcer a pain different from that affecting any part of the body : it is a dull, gnawing, burning pain, that at times goes to your very heart. A woman once described it to me as if a dog had her shin-bone in his mouth, gnawing it.

I once knew a young man who had one of these Ulcers on his shin, and, while playing ball, was accidentally struck on the Ulcer, and fell dead on the spot.

Dr. Benjamin Bell says that the Phagedenic Ulcer, so called for its destroying or corroding the parts which it attacks, at first generally appears in the form of several small ulcerations, all collected into larger spots, of different sizes and various figures, with always more or less of an erysipelatous-like inflammation. These ulcerations discharge large quantities of thin, sharp, and corrosive matter, which sometimes forms into small crusts, that in a short time fall off, but most frequently is so thin and acrid as to spread along the neighboring parts, and these produce the same kind of sores. Though these excoriations, or Ulcers, do not in general proceed farther than the *cutis vera*, yet sometimes the discharge is so penetrating and corrosive as to destroy the skin, the cellular substance, and sometimes the muscles themselves.

This Ulcer is very liable to become callous, or the edges will become smooth, shining, and rounded, and become exceedingly painful. The cause of the edges becoming hard and calloused is either neglect or improper treatment. When this Ulcer breaks out on the calf of the leg, it is often accompanied with varicose veins, which feed the Ulcer, and retard the process of healing. In this case a fungus excrescence is often formed at the bottom of the sore, and is often the means of keeping the sore in the same condition for many months.

#### CURE.

Now, my dear friend, you and I must go to work in real earnest. Here is a hard and difficult task. You and I must work side by side. I cannot be with you in body ; but I shall be with you in spirit. Now, make up your mind that I am standing by your side every time you dress it. Now, we will take this leg in its worst condition, shrunken in size, shrivelled up, the flesh dry and parched, and the skin turned of a bluish-brown color. A bull-dog has got the shin-bone in his mouth, and holds fast ; and his teeth are working into the marrow (not one word of fancy about this : it is correct as black and white can make it). Now, in this case, the flesh and skin are what may be called hide-bound, and must be softened by fomentations. The best fomentation for this purpose is to take four ounces of *cicuta*-leaves, a handful of wheat-bran, and six large potatoes ; boil these

in water enough to cover them, until the potatoes are cooked; take out the potatoes, and apply the rest to the leg as a fomentation, keeping it wet with the same water. You must do this every night for two weeks, and as much through the day as you can: when it is not convenient to apply the fomentation through the day, you will apply a dressing of my Scrofula Ointment. At the end of two weeks, you will see the skin softer, more natural, and a gentle perspiration coming out.

In ninety cases out of a hundred, this fermentation will answer the purpose; but in some cases you must change it, and try any of the following articles: —

*First*, Take common turnip, boil it, mash it, and thicken with rye-meal; apply this for two weeks.

*Second*, Take red beet, boil, mash them, and thicken with finely-pulverized hardwood charcoal, and apply it for two weeks.

*Third*, Take cranberries, boil, and mash them in the water in which they are boiled, and apply it for two weeks.

*Fourth*, Take red onions, boil, and mash them in their own water, and apply.

*Fifth*, Take warm cow-manure, spread it on a cloth, and apply it every night for two weeks.

I give you these fomentations when worse comes to worse; but in ninety cases in a hundred the potatoes, bran, and cicuta will answer the purpose. You will remember that these fomentations are merely to soften the flesh and to allow a free circulation.

In a few days or weeks, — remember, in many cases it will take weeks and even months, — we will say in a few weeks, the flesh is softer, you can work it with your hand, the pores are opened, and the neuralgic pains are getting well. We will say that you have had the Ulcer seven years, and it takes a month to get you in this state. The flesh feels better; the Ulcer looks more clean and red; it has not so many streaks of greenish and white matter running through it. You feel better at heart. You really think you are to get well. After seven years trying this, that, and the other, you have hit it at last. Even the bull-dog does not bite so bad as it did, and you feel better every way. We are now entering on the *second month*, and it may be very possible that you require to keep on with the fomentations. Of the two, I had rather you would: there is nothing lost by it, and much may be gained. In all my experience, I never knew any thing gained by hastening the cure of an Ulcer.

You will recollect, in all this progress of the cure, the Ulcer must be well cleansed with soap and water every time you dress it: any good hard soap will answer, yet castile soap is the best.

In some cases, the leg is covered with scales, and it is difficult to cleanse it. In this case you will apply a poultice of ground bayberry-root. This comes fine like meal; and a few fomentations with it will effectually cure

or prevent the scales from forming. Now, you will remember that the sole object of these fomentations is to soften the flesh, give free circulation to all the fluids, also to open the pores, and let pent-up gases escape. We are now entering on the *third month* with a gradual improvement: the Ulcer and surrounding assume a better color; you still keep on dressing it two or three times a day with the Scrofula Ointment, and take a table-spoonful of the Discovery once a day. The Ulcer begins to fill up a little from the bottom; the hard, shining, upturned lips are now getting soft and natural, with a white edge around it. This white edge is the first appearance of returning life. You will now see new granulations, or new flesh forming, and every thing looks healthy; and you enter on the *fourth month* with good spirits, and continue the same treatment. It often happens in this month that the Ulcer remains stationary; and you are all at once disappointed, and remedies seem to have lost their effect. This is caused by the leg getting flesh-bound again. Neuralgia pains begin to torture you; the bull-dog has got at it again. Now, your only remedy is to go back to the fomentations again, warm as you can bear them. Either change the poultices often, or hold them over hot steam. Keep on with the poultices for several days, or until you both see and feel an improvement. On the *fifth month*, the Ulcer will take a sudden start for the better. You will now apply the Scrofula Ointment three times one day, and the next day Healing Ointment three times a day, and so on every alternate day through the *sixth*, and also through the *seventh month*. The majority of Ulcers will be cured in much less time, many of them in half the time, if you judiciously follow these directions. I have given you in this case old chronic, confirmed Ulcers, that have been running, many of them, twenty years, and were considered incurable. There may be many cases which require more than seven months to effect a cure. Where the system is vitiated, the blood has become poor, watery, and acrid, the whole system has to be done over again. Now, all these outward applications have their use in softening the flesh and palliating the disease; but your main relief is in taking the Medical Discovery. This will cleanse the system of the acrid, corrosive matter that finds its way through the Ulcer: the blood becomes sweet, and gives proper nourishment to the body, and the Ulcer will fill up with new flesh.

Above all things, do not be in too much hurry in curing an Ulcer, do not use what are called drying remedies, or repelling remedies, or any thing that will skim over new skin over rotten flesh. If you do, you may depend upon it, it will put you back.

Some few years ago, an old man came to me with an ulcerated sore leg, and informed me of the last treatment he practised. When I told him that a man at his time of life ought to know better, he replied, "Doctor, if you had had a sore as long as I have, you would know no more than I do." I inquired how long he had it. He replied, "Well, I was out in the

War of 1812; and, after we beat the English in the battle of Chippewa, we went down to a place called Little York. I believe they call it Toronto now. On the march down, I fell, and hurt my shin; but you know, being a soldier, I did not think any thing of it. It was a mere scratch and a little bruised. Well, in a few days I got cold in it, and it festered. It then became a sore, and from that day to this, it has never been healed. Now, what can you do for it?" I gave the old veteran a full supply of Discovery and Ointment, and in less than a year he was perfectly cured. I had another case of a lady who suffered longer than he did, which I will tell in its proper place. This class of Ulcers is always liable to have the skin around the Ulcer of a dark red or purple color: in all such, this is caused by the capillary veins being congested and turgid. In all such cases, you will apply the Salt Rheum Ointment freely, rubbing it thoroughly. You cannot get in too much of it: every hour you have to spare keep rubbing it in. This will enlarge the veins, and allow the blood to pass; and the flesh will come to its natural color. Remember this one thing, that, until you get the flesh to its natural color, the Ulcer is always in danger of breaking out again. The circulation is not good, and the flesh is not sound.

A great deal has been said and written upon compresses and bandages, — how tight they ought to be worn: my own experience is to do away with them altogether, as doing more harm than good. Much has also been said and written upon the position of the limb during the process of curing. Many eminent physicians recommend that it be kept in a horizontal position, or resting on a chair, and keep it so as much as possible until cured. Now, my own experience is, that these cures do not last long: they are merely baby cures. My practice is to exercise the leg all you can bear.

One word more, not a drop of *liquor* of any kind is to be taken until the leg is cured, and as little as you can forever after.

## ŒDEMATOUS, OR SWELLED LEG.

### SYMPTOMS.

We now come to what is called Œdematous, or swelled, ulcerated leg. This Ulcer is of a cold nature; the leg and foot swell to an enormous size; the flesh feels doughy and puffed; the skin is never discolored, neither does it itch or inflame; the pain is not so severe as in the last-named variety: the condition of this remains about the same, year after year, with a thin sanious fluid oozing from it.

### CAUSE.

The only cause that I can see why the leg should swell in this disease is, that the circulation is cold and sluggish, that the veins, and perhaps the nerves, choke, or get clogged with some kind of gluten; then a watery collection takes place, and all the tissues become distended, and full of water;

the tissues in the course of time become fairly soaked in the water, which finally works its way through the Ulcer; the whole leg in this case becomes more or less diseased, and the flesh is a mere mass of dropsical flesh and water.

### CURE.

You will begin as usual with the Medical Discovery to cleanse the system; you will also bathe or rub the swelling once day with my Scattering Liniment. Shake the bottle well, and rub it well in, and in a few days the swelling will all go down; but you have yet a very ugly sore to deal with. You have a baby to take care of, and will require all your attention for a few months to come. When the swelling is gone, you will keep on with the Scrofula Ointment one day, and the Healing Ointment next day, and so on until cured. This Ulcer seldom has proud flesh in it, or any outside trouble, so that this treatment will be sufficient for you to effect a cure.

I once called to see a case of this Ulcer, where the leg measured twenty-two inches at the ankle, by actual measurement, by which the poor man was confined to his chair for many months. I sent him a full supply of Discovery and Ointments, enough to effect a cure: in a few days his wife brought it all back, stating that her husband had some scruples on the subject, and concluded not to try it. I asked for his reasons: she replied, that her husband intended to follow the Scripture injunction, to anoint it, and have the brethren put up a prayer, and that the prayer of faith and anointing would cure. I agreed to this, but wanted him anointed with my Ointment. She replied, that there was a serious objection to that, as the book recommended olive oil, and my ointments were made of hog's lard, which would not answer. I could not prevail on him to use it, poor man! The result was not equal to his faith: he died in a few months. He was a healthy man, in the prime of life, and with proper remedies might have lived out the full number of days allotted to man.

In my first edition of this pamphlet, I recommended the potato, cicuta, and wheat-bran, as recommended in the Erysipelas sore leg; but later experience compels me to give the preference to my Scattering Liniment: but, if you reside in a place where the Scattering Liniment is not to be had, then you will apply the potato and cicuta and wheat-bran.

### RUPIA.

#### SYMPTOMS.

I may here give a few words to the most stubborn of all ulcers, that of Rupia. It makes its appearance in small scabs of a conical form, in layers like an oyster-shell. This disease attacks the thighs and calves of the leg, seldom any other part of the body. In a few weeks the scab falls off, exposing an angry, red-looking surface: the very looks of this surface are

enough to convince one of its malignant nature. This will eat into the substance of the flesh, making a hollow with clean, smooth sides, something like a honeycomb. These ulcers are seldom larger than your finger-nail, but there are many of them; and they often run together, and form one sore. They are exceedingly painful, and have a clear, sharp sting to them different from any other ulcer. This sting is bad enough; but it does not go to the heart, and somehow it raises an angry feeling in the sufferer, which seems to counteract the pain. In this ulcer the surrounding flesh is of a deep red color. I once had a case of this ulcer where the man insisted that every sore produced a maggot; and really, from the smooth, shiny appearance of the holes, it did look like it.

#### CAUSE.

This is caused by the blood being so poor, fairly run down. European physicians say that it is owing to a scrofulous disposition, and previous illness, and being weakened by bad treatment, badly lodged, and ill fed, and want of sufficient clothing, by which the whole system becomes vitiated.

#### CURE.

In this disease, your main reliance is on the Medical Discovery: take five, six, or seven bottles, as the case may be, until your whole system is renovated, all the bad matter worked off, and every particle of canker is cleansed and purged from the system: You must apply the Scrofula Ointment to the sore: in fact, I would advise you to fill the sores with the Ointment. This ulcer is a small one; but it is spunky, and will show fight: so you must follow it up from day to day, and week to week, until cured. Do not be discouraged: you will get cured if you persevere.

### FEVER SORE.

#### SYMPTOMS.

This is merely a simple common ulcer of no particular shape or description.

#### CAUSE.

In all kinds of fevers, the whole system goes through a kind of fermentation: all the fluids of the body seem to pass through a putrid state, more or less malignant; and the patient's life depends on the amount of fermentation and the skill of the physician in choosing purifying remedies. When all danger is past, and the patient is getting better, he becomes careless of himself, and a sediment of the fever is left in his system, which has lost its fiery nature, and is changed to a slight acrid: this, by the law of gravitation, settles in the limbs, and forms what is well known as Fever



Sores. This is merely a simple ulcer, about the size of a cent, and makes its appearance near the ankle, causing a swelling of the ankle and leg.

#### CURE.

Physicians have always discouraged the healing of these ulcers; that they are an outlet to some vitiated humor. Dr. Underwood, in his most excellent work on ulcers, makes a confession which does honor to his head and heart. He says "that these ulcers are healed by empirics under all circumstances, and no such dreadful evils have followed: we do not know their arts, but have contented ourselves by saying it was unsafe, and doubting the propriety of making cures which we were unable to effect." From my own experience I will state, there is no kind of ulcer easier cured than a simple fever sore; and, to my certain knowledge, not the least inconvenience ever follows. All you require is a tablespoonful of Medical Discovery once a day, and to apply the Scrofula Ointment and the Healing Ointment on alternate days, twice a day.

#### MILK-LEG.

##### SYMPTOMS AND CAUSE.

**MILK-FEVER.** — During the first few days of the secretion of milk in the breast, there is, as it were, a revolution in the entire animal economy. A new secretion, natural though it may be, yet it is new; and to a young mother it is doubtless as much a source of mystery as it is pleasure.

For a young woman to find herself a nursing mother is indeed a very sudden change, and a change which few are properly prepared to receive: therefore great care ought in all cases to be taken during the first few months of giving the breast to the babe. All cases of Milk-Fever are caused by a cold, a sudden check of the perspiration; then comes a Milk-Fever; and, unless the greatest care is taken, there comes a Milk-Leg.

A Milk-Fever is the most inexcusable of all diseases, as it is always caused by the carelessness of the nurse or of the patient herself. The system in this case goes through the same fermentation that it does in all fevers; the whole system is in a froth; and, if there is any human being that deserves pity, it is a young woman going through a run of Milk-Fever.

#### CURE.

I do not pretend to cure the fever: my business is with the ulcer it leaves after it. I have had many cases of this disease; so many, that I do not suppose there are any of them left uncured at the present day in Boston or vicinity.

I once had a case, — Mrs. Hinkley of Boston, who had a fever-sore for forty-seven years; a running ulcer all that time. When I undertook her

cure, she was in the seventy-second year of her age ; and her oldest *child*, as she called him, was forty-seven. During the forty-seven years of her affliction, she, of course, had all kinds of treatment. She said her husband was well off, and did all that could be done for her, — got every doctor of any skill, far and near ; but all of no use : she suffered year after year. When I took her case in hand, she had no faith whatever ; but I assured her that she could yet be cured. I called to see her once a week for twenty-two months, gave her the Medical Discovery, and applied the Scrofula Ointment and Healing Ointment on alternate days, and at last had the satisfaction of seeing the old lady perfectly cured. The force of habit was so strong, she told me, that, after she was cured, she used to go to her closet the first thing in the morning to get her bandages for the day, and forgot that she was cured until she took off her stocking.

I had another case of a young lady with a bad Milk-Leg, who got cured in a few months, and went to a Thanksgiving ball, danced all night ; next day the ulcer broke out again ; and it took longer to cure it the second than it did the first time.

The curing of a Milk-ulcer is perfectly simple. Take the Discovery once a day, and apply the Scrofula and Healing Ointments twice a day, every alternate day, and do not go to a ball for several months after you are cured.

Before we close on Ulcers, let me tell you a very good illustration of faith in prayer. When you get in the same situation (do not wait to be quite as bad), do you try the same remedy. I have no doubt you will be answered ; perhaps not in the same way, but in some way, if you have faith, and pay attention to the Spirit.

Mrs. Killcup of Cambridge had had an Ulcer on her leg for several years, and at last got so bad, that her physician advised her to have the limb cut off. To this she at last consented ; and arrangements were made to have her carried to the Massachusetts Hospital, as offering more comforts to her during her long confinement than she could have in her own home. Every arrangement was made by her physician, Dr. Hooker, for her removal. On the evening previous to her intended removal, she was sitting at her table with an open Bible before her, and told her mother she wished to be left alone for an hour : when alone, she bent her face on the Bible, and in her deep distress poured out her soul before God, and brought her case to the foot of the throne. Her husband in the army, one baby at the breast, and another in her hand, she pleaded that God would in some way direct her what to do, — whether to go to the hospital and have her leg amputated, or remain at home and suffer. While pleading her case before Him who never turns a deaf ear to his creatures, and with her face yet bent in agony of soul over the open Bible, (reader, did you ever thank God for an open Bible ?) she saw in large golden letters before her eyes, "Take Dr. Kennedy's Medical Discovery, and it will

cure you." At this, she burst out in glorious shouts of hallelujah, which brought her mother to the room. She told her mother of the vision, and requested her to go to the druggist's and get her a bottle. Her mother tried to persuade against it; but she was determined to have it, and got a bottle that night, and told me she read every word in the pamphlet before she went to sleep. The result was according to her faith: she kept on with the Discovery until she was perfectly cured.

### CANCROID.

This is a species of Cancer, yet differing much from true Cancer as not having roots; this being merely a malignant, eating Ulcer, which attacks the nose and cheeks. In its appearance it differs from Lupus in being more of a scarlet red. A real malignant-spiteful-looking sore, its very looks are enough to put it in the class of Malignant Ulcers.

### CURE.

You will pursue the same course as you do in Lupus. Apply Kennedy's Lupus Ointment, and take the Medical Discovery, until you are cured. Now, I wish to tell you in one word, Kennedy's Lupus Ointment is not slops: the disease is not of a sloppy nature, and it requires something stronger than slops to conquer it. The Ointment is perfectly safe in all cases; but, when it begins to draw out the Cancer, it lets you know it is there, and doing its work. When the poison is drawn out, and the Ulcer puts on a healthy look, you will apply my Scrofula Ointment every other day for several days, then use the Scrofula Ointment altogether; but, if you find that the healing process does not go on fast enough, you will use the Lupus Ointment again for a few days.

### SCURVY.

The last fifteen years of the sixteenth century produced three diseases which were entirely unknown to former ages, — the Scurvy in Denmark, the Sweating Sickness in England, and the Venereal at Naples.

In the year 1486, according to Fabricius, Scurvy first made its appearance in Misnia, not only proving extremely fatal, but carrying contagion with it; and in 1600 it had spread all over Europe, and become an epidemic distemper.

I may in this connection mention the Sweating Sickness, which proved so fatal in England. It appeared 1483, in Henry the Seventh's army, at Milford Haven, and soon spread over the kingdom; and, according to Caius the historian, it attacked none but Englishmen. Scotchmen in England were exempt, and Englishmen fleeing to the Continent for safety were attacked, while the natives were safe.

The symptoms of the disease were a profuse sweating, or in reality a melting of the body to death; death occurring generally in three hours: if they lived twenty-four hours, they recovered. It appeared again 1485, 1506, 1517, 1528, 1551.

In the past generation, Scurvy was supposed to be the source of all diseases of the skin and of many of the diseases of the system: it occupied in the public mind the place that Scrofula does in the present generation.

Medical writers of the present age have divided the different symptoms of this disease, and placed them in the different classes, as best they could, giving as a reason, that Scurvy means a number of symptoms, different and sometimes opposite in their cause; and surely the same thing can be said of every disease that man is heir to. The symptoms of land Scurvy are these: A general lassitude and weariness, feeling about as tired when you rise in the morning as you did when you retired at night; laborious breathing from little exercise; a cold swelling of the legs; going and returning paleness of the face at times; a flushing lividness; colored spots on the skin, of various colors, as red, purple or violet color, yellow, liver color; often a bad smell in the mouth and of the breath; painful and bleeding corrosion of the gums, by which means the teeth grow bare and loose; dry and crusty eruption on various parts of the body; when blood is let, it is black, grumous, and without due consistence; the serum is very salt and of a yellowish green; wandering pain in the limbs, and sometimes a feverish heat.

There is no disease of the system or of the skin more liable to degenerate into an ulcer than Scurvy. And in all cases on the legs, the malignant and poisonous taint which has been floating about in the circulation, and tainting every part with its venom, is now drained off through the Ulcer, and the general system is greatly relieved. Yet the whole body is tainted, as is well evidenced by the constant discharge of the Ulcer.

A Scorbutic Ulcer has of all others been considered the most intractable and difficult of cure. The leg becomes exceedingly painful, the skin becomes of a blackish purple or liver color, with hard dry crusts or scabs: when the scabs are removed, the flesh looks of a dark red, with a shade of green in it. When the Ulcer is formed, the flesh is in clots, the Ulcer jagged and uneven, the edges are exceedingly painful, and the cavities are filled with a stringy, ropy, greenish and whitish matter. The discharge is never in large quantities; the surrounding skin is of a livid color; and I have no doubt the surrounding flesh is tainted and putrid to the extent the skin is discolored.

The Ulcer frequently discharges clear black blood from the sides, accompanied with much pain. In fact, for several inches around the Ulcer, the flesh is nothing but a putrid, rotten mass.

English physicians have written volumes on this disease. In fact, more volumes have been written on this disease in the English language than on

any other disease except Syphilis; and yet, strange to say, they have never been able to find a remedy that can in any way be depended upon. While reading their prescription of one thing, and then another, without any hope of effecting a cure, my heart fairly ached for them. I am happy and thankful to be able to give the afflicted a perfect and safe remedy for this disease in all its stages.

You will take a tablespoonful of Kennedy's Medical Discovery, or as much as will keep your bowels gently open, every night before retiring to rest, until you are perfectly cured. It may require ten or a dozen bottles.

You will apply Kennedy's Scrofula Ointment to the Ulcer, laying it on thick twice a day. Next day you will apply Kennedy's Healing Ointment twice a day for two days; and so on, the Scrofula Ointment one day, and the Healing Ointment two days, until you are cured.

If you apply the Ointment thick enough, you will see an improvement in a week. You will see the edges of the ulcer turn white, then the dark liver skin around it is getting a shade lighter or yellower, until the whole bad matter is drawn out. You will now begin to experience a comfort and a light-heartedness that you have been a stranger to for years. You will even be willing to put a few pennies in the contribution-box on Sunday.

It is really astonishing how penurious Scurvy makes a man.

## DISEASES OF THE KIDNEYS.

It is well known, that, between the ages of forty and sixty, the human system goes through a great, and in some cases a mysterious change; and in nearly all cases the Kidneys are more or less affected by this change of life.

It is now that sediments of various colors and consistence are seen in the urine when allowed to settle. The settlings are of two kinds: chalky and gravelly mixtures of Soda ammonia and lime which are always of a brick-dust color; while the chalky, or magnesia and lime, are always of a white color. These are the two distinguishing colors, and are caused by the original composition of the body.

The two principal diseases of the kidneys which I will mention are suppression of urine and retention of urine. Suppression of urine is a very formidable disease, and is the cause of a great amount of both bodily and mental anguish. There is pain in the back, and pain in the loins, and a heavy dull weight in the lower part of the bowels. The causes of these are various: sometimes a partial paralysis of the kidneys, inflammation, or a blow received in the back, also a strain or twist of the body, will often affect the kidneys.

For this disease medical science has not as yet produced any thing equal

to the Medical Discovery ; in the first place, it stimulates all the nerves of the kidneys into action ; in the next place, it opens every channel and culvert that was closed, and every passage that was clogged by the long duration of the disease. When the disease is not attended to, the urine will return, and is absorbed into the system, giving a urinous smell to the circulation, and a urinous taste to the mouth, which makes life any thing but pleasant.

I have had some severe cases of this disease under treatment ; and they all yielded to the Medical Discovery, and a few herbs to soften the passage, such as quince-seed, melon-seed, and pumpkin-seed used freely. I shall always remember my first case, a Mr. G—— of Roxbury, who was severely afflicted for several years with retention of the urine.

I recommended the Discovery to him as a general cleanser of the system : in a few days his *navel opened*, and discharged a mass of the most offensive humor I ever witnessed. This alarmed both him and me ; and one of the most skilful physicians of Boston was sent for, who declared he had never seen any thing like it, but advised Mr. G—— to keep on with the Discovery as long as any matter came out : this continued for six weeks, when the navel closed, and the kidneys were relieved, and all the secretions went their natural way. The gentleman is now alive (1871), has reached a good old age, and is in perfect health.

The next case I had was a Mrs. C—— H—— of Boston, aged fifty-six years, who had been for years afflicted with a combination of diseases, the chief of which was kidney complaint. I advised her to take the Discovery, which she did ; and the result was, in a few days the navel opened, and discharged a mass of the most corrupt and offensive matter, which continued for several weeks : it finally closed, and the lady enjoyed good health for years.

A gentleman from Kennebunk, Me., called to see me to inform me of the wonderful effect the Discovery had on his wife. She had been dropsical for several years, had been tapped several times. She took the Discovery to cure her of Dropsy ; and the effect was to open the navel, and the discharge continued for several week, which finally ended in curing the Dropsy, and restoring her to perfect health.

Do not suppose that this often happens. I merely state it because the same thing *may* happen to you, and I do not wish to alarm you : there is never any harm from it.

A most singular phase of kidney complaint was that of Mrs. McJ—— of Manchester, N.H., aged about thirty. This lady was afflicted with disease of the kidneys, which produced a numbness of the lower limbs ; and at last she was unable to move, and had to be taken out of bed like a child. Her letter to me describing her case was indeed a pitiable description of misery. She was the mother of two children, and her husband in the army. In considering her case, I replied that all her trouble came

from the kidneys. I sent her six bottles of Discovery, and advised her to drink freely of a tea made of yellow-pine leaves; and, to convince her that my opinion was correct regarding her kidneys being covered with fat, that in a few days she would see skimmings of fat on her urine. She recovered, and came from Manchester to Roxbury to thank me.

I will here state that I consider tea made of yellow-pine pins, or leaves, among the best remedies we have to assist the Discovery in all diseases of the kidneys.

Allow me to mention one more case of this disease, which, for its remarkable nature, I think my reader will bear with me. A few months ago, I had business to transact with one of our wealthy Boston merchants, who, in course of conversation, said, "Doctor, I am the most miserable of men both in body and mind. I have all the wealth that a man ought to have; but what is wealth without health to a man? I am suffering all that mortal man can suffer, and not the slightest prospect of relief. As soon as I get strength enough, I am going to Europe to try English and French physicians."

I inquired into the nature of his disease, that had baffled the most skilful physicians of Boston. He replied that his kidneys were affected, and that he had to use the catheter for the past three years, and that now life was a burden to him. I replied, if that was all, I would guarantee to cure him with a few bottles of my Medical Discovery. I never shall forget his look of utter contempt and unbelief when I said this; but I said so much, that he agreed to try it, and the effect was equal to my expectation. In a few days, he sent for me to account for so extraordinary an operation. He said, "I have no doubt I have passed a quart a day of thick, offensive matter;" and his physician advised him to continue taking the Discovery. I advised him to do the same, and in a few days he was quite well; but, as all his preparations were made to go to Europe, he said, "I will go, and I want, too, to take a dozen bottles of Discovery with me on my journey." He was gone a few months, and in Florence sold the balance of his medicine to an Englishman for two guineas a bottle.

## DIABETES.

This is a disease of the renal glands; the Liver does not perform its function; more water is passed than can be assimilated, causing a diarrhoea of the kidneys; every thing that is taken into the stomach seems to turn to water. I have had some eight or ten cases of this disease, which I have cured by a strong tea made of equal parts of white-birch leaves, and white-pine leaves; make it strong, and drink freely. The birch-leaves act as a gentle astringent; and the white-pine corrects the renal nerves. This remedy is my own invention; and I wish it spread far and near, as it comes as near a specific as any thing can be in this disease.

## CHRONIC DISEASES.

Chronic disease of mind and body, continued ill-health, always feeling poorly, loss of bodily strength, the mind willing, but the body weak, and nobody knows what is the matter.

There is a large class of people in this unfortunate condition, more particularly women between the ages of thirty and forty; disease seems to fasten on them; they are aged before their time; their spirits are broke. I often wonder what there is in us that does give away: something does, that is a sure case; there is a certain spring somewhere in the mind that has lost its spring. It is difficult to describe this condition, as every one has a feeling peculiar to himself: some are thin and peevish; others are sour and morose, and have given up all hope of cure; none can understand their disease, and none can prescribe a remedy. Some have good appetites, but their food distresses them; others can only eat in the afternoon; some have gloomy and fearful forebodings of trouble, with a heart-flutter at every sudden noise. As a general thing, the body is dry and lean, the nose pinched, the nostrils wide, and the roof of the mouth fallen in, the cheek-bones are high, and the eyes are clear, yet life, animation, and muscular strength appear to be all gone. Now, what has brought a stout, healthy, robust man to this condition we do not know; but we will say that an inward humor may have something to do with it, and would strongly recommend to you to take two or three bottles of the Medical Discovery. It may not wholly restore you; but, take my word for it, it will be worth your money to you.

## DYSPEPSIA — INDIGESTION.

This has got to be a fashionable disease, probably from its genteel sounding name, as Bronchitis has been a fashionable name for every sore throat ever since the death of Pres. Harrison.

Dyspepsia may arise from two causes, — a cold or a hot state of the general system. Dyspepsia from a cold state is caused by a cold, clammy state of the stomach, and a want of life and vitality during the progress of digestion; and the food rots, instead of being digested. The gases which are raised are cold and heavy, and remain in the stomach, whereas in good digestion the gases are warm and ethereal, and are mixed with the circulation, and evaporate through the pores: this condition of the stomach brings on a lethargy, and an indifference, often a loathing, of all kinds of food, accompanied by a belching of wind and an oppressive load in the stomach.

This condition of the stomach is easily cured by two or three bottles of the Discovery. In all cold conditions of the stomach, I would advise you to mix one ounce of cayenne pepper to the bottle, let it stand a week, and take it every day.



Dyspepsia from a hot distemper of the stomach is one of the most distressing diseases that the stomach is liable to. Over heat in the stomach is caused by a hot vapor or steam which arises from the lower bowels; and instead of escaping with the perspiration, is, as it were, condensed or intensified around the stomach, which in process of time breeds a distemper of the stomach itself, and prevents a free flow of the gastric juice. There is in this disease always something burning in the body or stomach, that seems to consume its vitality, causing the poor sufferer a life of misery.

Dyspepsia is slow in its progress, and generally very little attention is paid to the first stages of it. The first symptom of it is a sour and windy stomach, and a heaviness after eating; in the course of a year or two, the appetite is very uncertain, one day you can eat a pound of pork and a quart of beans; another day, the very nicest tidbits go against you. One day, you feel a cannon-ball in your stomach; another day, your stomach is quite empty and hungry. At this stage of the disease, the tongue has got past being foul; it has got to be a clear vermilion red, with one or two breaks of brown fur down the middle, and full of small red canker towards the roots of it; the stomach being the seat of the disease, the condition of the tongue is only a symptom. The coating of the stomach is now full of small ulcers; the system does not get its proper nourishment; you get thin and emaciated, gloomy and dejected; the nervous system is quite unstrung; you have been through with the regular faculty, and you take to patent medicines, and you wish the Old Nick had us all. When you get to this condition (and indeed this is the final condition of all dyspeptics), you have not a moment to lose; fly to Kennedy's Medical Discovery as your only relief.

I wish now to put you on your guard; do not expect to be cured too soon, do not expect that a disease of years can be cured in a few weeks. You must begin with small doses, say a teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water, gradually increasing the dose as your stomach will bear it. If you take it in its full strength, when it comes in contact with the raw, inflamed, and ulcerated surface of the stomach, it will cause excruciating pain; and few have the courage to persevere until cured. Take it when you go to bed, and sleep off all bad feelings: when you begin to mend, you will gain a pound a week, your mind and body will be renovated, your eyes will lose that transparent glare they have, your eyesight will be clearer and stronger: you will meet your friends with a cheerful, open countenance, your wife and children will not dread to see you coming home. Then tell all your friends what Kennedy's Medical Discovery has done for you.

### COSTIVENESS.

Food, when digested, goes to form the various elements of the body, — part into bone, part into flesh, and part into fat; the mass of the food is

operated upon in the stomach by the gastric juices, is fermented and dissolved, and then it is passed into the lower stomach, there to be sublimated, and passed through a second process of dissolving, by being acted upon by the gall; the nourishing part, the essential and spiritual part, of the mass is now taken up by the various suckers to be distributed through the system; the refuse is passed into the bowels, to be expelled according to the laws of nature. The tortuous winding of this passage makes it liable to get gorged, and a free passage of the refuse is thus prevented: this condition is the cause of a great amount of disease, as, by too great a putrefaction of the refuse in the intestines, a fever is raised, and a steam is produced in the bowels which acts upon the whole system, and impregnates it more or less with a vitiated gas; and this vitiated gas gives an unhealthy tone to the whole body, because it infuses itself into our very being. The mouths of the sucker, which take up the nourishment intended for the body, get withered and dry, and unable to perform their functions, and, if this condition continues long, good health is gone forever.

The question now is, what is the best remedy to restore the system, as there are two causes for this; first, a deficient action of the liver, which does not secrete bile enough to soften the mass; second, a constitutional tendency to dryness of the bowels, an inward fever of the lower bowels, which causes the mass to become too hard to be expelled.

The first of these causes is remedied by the Discovery: it seems to act upon the liver as a specific, invigorating every nerve of it, and enabling it to draw bile enough out of the system to lubricate and soften the whole mass.

The remedy for the second cause of the disease is to pay more attention to diet, and a free use of fresh, ripe fruits in their season, also to anoint the bowels every night with olive-oil, and to drink a spoonful of olive-oil once or twice a day. A few weeks of this practice will soften the bowels. Sometimes the intestines appear to be torpid. In this case, take a teaspoonful of cayenne pepper with half a cup of molasses every day. This is one of the best remedies to restore torpid bowels to their functions.

## SICK-HEADACHE.

What a prolific subject to describe! Every one has a headache of his own, and no two are alike. One has it in the temples, another in the eyes, another in the nose, another in the forehead, another in the crown, another in the back of the head, another has a nervous headache, and another has a sun headache. My principal business is with the *Sick-Headache*, as it is more common.

It is generally caused by a foul stomach, although this is far from being always the case. The stomach generates gases, that, by the laws of gravita-

tion, ascend to the head, and crowd and oppress the nerves so much, that the eyeballs are often distorted: the sufferer now cares but little for the duties of life, and the bed is the only relief. A "spell," as it is called, of Sick-Headache, lasts three or four hours; and, in some cases, it seems as if the fumes which ascended to the head were distilled or condensed, and return again to the stomach, causing severe vomiting: this gives instant relief, and the patient soon goes on with her usual occupation. It is most singular how quick a woman gets over a bad "spell" of Sick-Headache. In this disease, the Discovery has never been known to fail of effecting a permanent cure: it draws these fumes from the brain, and strengthens the stomach to prevent their recurrence.

### NERVOUS HEADACHE.

This arises from an irritable state of the nervous system, and is generally connected with more or less sick-headache. In this disease, the patient is often gloomy, peevish, and fretful, is suspicious of his best friends; and a kind of chronic discontent takes possession of him.

I am sorry to say, that people with this disease do not get the sympathy from their friends which their natures require. I do not know of any disease that requires more petting and real genuine kindness than this; and, if you have any regard for your friend, you will bear with all his oddities without even a cross look.

In this disease, out-door exercise is one of the best remedies. Call to see your old friends often; do not mind new ones at this time; talk over old times; make yourself as young as possible.

### THRUSH.

Commonly called Canker of the Mouth and Stomach.

#### CAUSE.

This disease is caused by an accumulation of acrid and corrosive secretions through the system. This and inward Erysipelas are the cause of more acute diseases than all others put together.

#### SYMPTOMS.

This disease manifests itself in very small pimples on the tongue. The tongue is soon inflamed, then looks raw and sore; the inflammation extends to the stomach, then often to the bowels and kidneys, which often causes a scalding of the urine. When this disease is of long standing, it makes sad havoc with the constitution, undermining its very spring.

During a fit of this disease, if indeed a disease so constant can be said .

to have a fit, the patient has to be particularly careful to avoid all high-spiced and smoked food ; all sorts of pickles aggravate the disease.

The patient is afflicted with faintness, loss of appetite, a languid feeling, and life seems a burden to him not worth having ; the strength of the body is wasting, and the mind becomes exceedingly peevish ; it seems as if the nerves that connect the mind and the body were really filled with the acrid lymph of the Canker, and actually souring the mind.

Now, my good friend, do have pity upon every one afflicted with Canker : you eat your three good meals per day, and are benefited to the full extent of your expectation, while your afflicted friend eats, but is not nourished, as the acid juices ferment in the stomach, and the food is turned sour.

#### CURE.

It is a singular fact, that, previous to the introduction of Kennedy's Medical Discovery, no real cure has been known for this disease ; no, nothing in any way reliable was known. The articles most commonly used were gold-thread and borax : if those did not relieve, the patient must linger on and suffer. Now I am thankful to say, that there is no disease more easily cured than Thrush. When the stomach is very raw and inflamed, and you take a full dose of the Discovery, it is very likely to make you sick at the stomach, and perhaps vomit : this is caused by too strong a dose coming in contact with the raw surface and bile in the stomach : therefore you will begin with a teaspoonful of the Discovery in a wine-glass full of water, gradually increasing the dose until you can take a tablespoonful without inconvenience. You do not need any change of diet or manner of living : a few bottles will cure you. When you begin to improve, you will see a change in your mind before you do in your body. Your friends will notice that your eyes do not have that watery and suspicious look they did have. You yourself will notice that you are buoyant and cheerful : you actually think you do not weigh so much ; but you have in reality gained several pounds of good solid flesh. In conclusion, I would say, that, as this disease is very subtle, you had better take one bottle more after you consider yourself cured.

#### PILES.

This disease is of two kinds, the Bleeding Piles and Blind Piles : both are so well known as not to require a description. An erroneous idea prevails very generally, that the Piles are caused by humors : this is not the case in any one instance.

The Bleeding Piles are caused by swelling of the hemorrhoid veins, from some cause not well understood ; and, in former times, the sudden suppression of them was greatly dreaded. These notions have passed away ; and

they are now regarded as a painful and disagreeable complaint, the cure of which should never be delayed.

The Blind Piles are caused by the formation of small kernels, from the size of a currant to that of a cherry, sometimes in bunches extending upwards, and accompanied with costiveness and inflammation. As a general thing, this disease causes more excruciating pain, misery, and wretchedness of feeling, than any known disease; in fact, life is a perfect burden, and, during the paroxysm of pain, would be yielded up by the sufferer with very little reluctance.

Unfortunately, there is a delicacy in mentioning this disease; and many a poor woman has pined away her life, and not a half-dozen of her neighbors ever knew what was the matter with her.

In general practice, the Blind and Bleeding Piles require directly opposite treatment. How it is that both kinds yield to the Medical Discovery I cannot explain to you; but so it is: a few bottles will cure the worst cases. I was rather incredulous on this subject, and never recommended it until I had the most indisputable evidence of its effect. I now recommend it to you with the utmost confidence. Whenever there is inflammation, you will use my Salt Rheum Ointment: use it freely, and it will give you immediate relief. I gave the name of Salt Rheum Ointment to this Ointment, because Salt Rheum is more common than any other skin-disease; but it is equally good for any kind of inflammation. You need not be afraid to use it freely, as it will never drive the humor inward.

## BOILS.

Boils are an effort of Nature to throw off some offensive matter from the system; and, instead of being kept floating in the circulation, it settles, and the matter comes to a head, and is discharged on the surface. Some years, Boils are almost an epidemic, almost everybody has them, and they come in crops, one crop following another for months: now, instead of grumbling, which every one does that has Boils, you ought to be thankful they have come to the surface, and you must do all in your power to nourish them, cherish them, and ripen them; and there is nothing better than bread-and-milk poultices. On the first appearance of Boils, you will take two or three bottles of Kennedy's Medical Discovery, and it will eradicate every particle of the humor out of your system.

## CARBUNCLES.

These live and grow, and come to a head, — in every thing like a Boil, except they are more severe and painful; and when they open, they open with three, four, or more little holes: whereas a Boil has one.

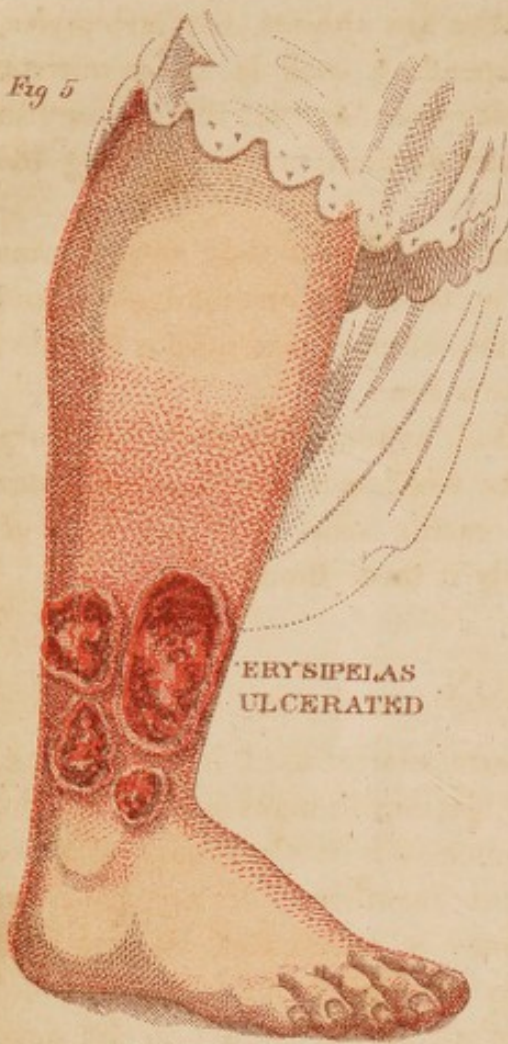
Iron to prepare

1 quart pure cider vinegar  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb old iron

Dose in a day from a Teaspoonful  
to a Tablespoonful

The iron restores the blood to its proper  
vigor

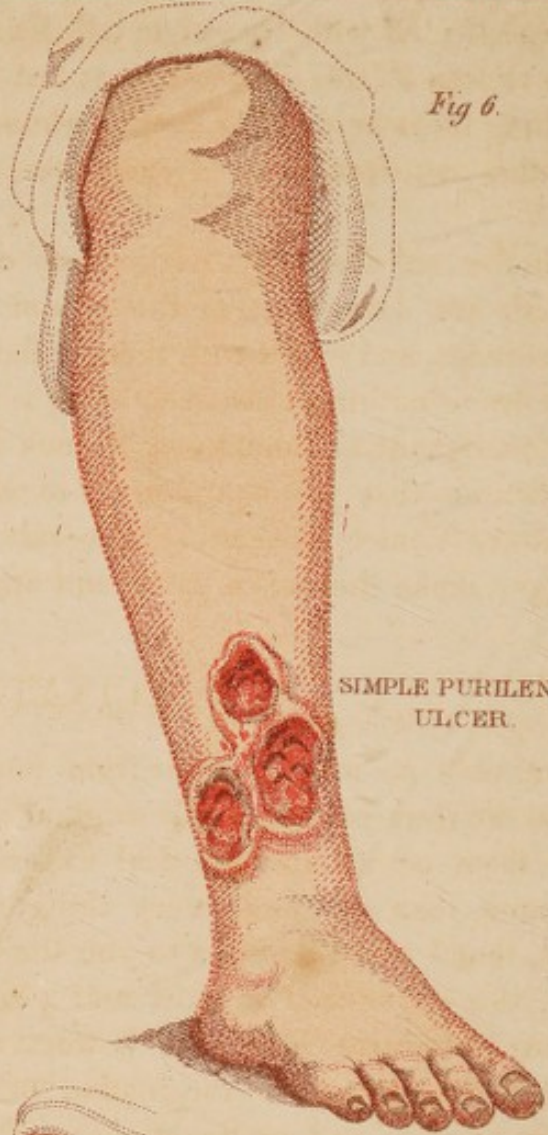
Fig 5



ERYSIPELAS  
ULCERATED

SCALD HEAD

Fig 6.

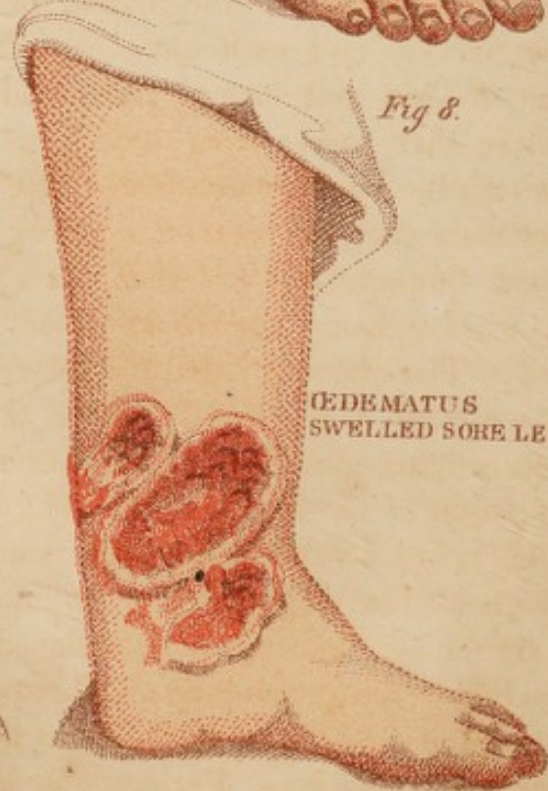


SIMPLE PURULENT  
ULCER.

Fig 7



Fig 8.



OEDEMATUS  
SWELLED SORE LEG

Persons affected with Neuralgia and Sciatica are subject to Carbuncles, as if the venom of this disease was at last spending itself in these outlets. Every thing must be done to keep Carbuncles open, and let the matter run out. Onion-poultices, pond-lily-poultices, and fig-poultices are among the best.

Carbuncles on the body, particularly on the spine, if they do not come to a head, are dangerous, as the poison in them is very malignant, and when it recedes, and mixes with the circulation, often causes serious trouble: therefore leave nothing untried to bring it to a head.

For a malignant Carbuncle, or French Boil, as some call them, the very best application that you can make is to take wood soot (two ounces), sour yeast batter, Venice turpentine, fine salt, castile soap, and the yolk of three eggs; make this into a paste, and apply it three times a day.

### VACCINATION.

I have seen so much humor from impure matter used in vaccination, that I am far from considering it so great a blessing to mankind as some do. I speak from actual and practical experience — it is the cause of more bad humors than all and every thing put together. If my pen was eloquent, that I could describe to you the cases of vaccinated humors that I cured, the weeks and months and years they were suffering, it would make your heart ache, and, what is worst of all, through gross carelessness.

Look at the system of vaccination in Boston: it is helter-skelter, first come, first served; and no doubt every other large city is equally bad. In the name of God and love to your children, never have them vaccinated with matter that comes from any large city; question your physician closely where the matter came from: duty to your child demands that you use every care that the *poison* be pure. Whatever the nature of it is, is as yet past finding out; but that it is a poison is past all argument. For instance, what a change the whole system undergoes from the quantity impregnated! The quantity is hardly enough for a mosquito to carry on her bill, yet see what a wonderful change the whole system undergoes while the poison is going round its vitals; it is in every sense of the word worse than the poison of the rattlesnake. If you get over that, it leaves no bad effect after it, but not so with vaccination; no matter how careful parents are of the health of their children; wholesome food, aired chambers, washing and scrubbing them every Saturday night, — which are all very good, and to be highly recommended as a Christian duty, — yet one minim carried on the point of a quill-pen spoils all, as the point of the quill does in more ways than in vaccination. Perhaps you will say I bear too hard on a theory which has been lauded to the sky by physicians of every nation; perhaps I do; perhaps you do not believe a word of what I say; I do not care the turn-up of a cent whether you do or not.



## CATARRH.

Catarrh is caused by a cold, sluggish state of the system, brought on by a coldness of the liver, and want of vital heat. It is commonly called an increase of mucous secretion brought on by, or as the effect of, cold on the system. This phlegm is the settlings or grounds or sediment of the perspiration. The body lacks vital heat to digest or dissolve it to enable it to escape through the skin: consequently, it makes the whole round of the circulation, and is at last expelled by the nose, or more commonly it falls into the throat by the palate or salivary glands, producing a very disagreeable sensation, — bad breath, bad teeth, sickness and nausea at the stomach; in some cases vomiting up clear phlegm, in other cases, the phlegm is acted on by the bile in the stomach, and turned to corrupt humor, and vomited in this state.

When catarrh is of long continuance, it seems to work for itself new channels in the system, and many of the old ones are closed: this causes great lethargy and weakness in a patient.

Now, the first effort towards a cure is to open these culverts, valves, and channels that have been closed, and allow every secretion to go in its own proper channel.

Among all the remedies presented for chronic catarrh, none are so effectual as KENNEDY'S MEDICAL DISCOVERY.

Its first effect is to force its way through every nerve and vein, expelling every foreign substance that stands in its way, until every channel of the body is in a healthy state.

But as the liver in this disease has been so long in a cold, phlegmatic state, I would particularly recommend that the patient drink a cup of warm aromatic, comforting herb-tea. Among the aromatic herbs that are comforting to the liver, I would recommend Thyme and Sweet Marjoram: either of these drank two or three times a day will have a most beneficial effect.

A long continuance of this disease sometimes affects the spinal marrow, causing pain in back of the neck and on spinal column. In this case, I always recommend a teaspoonful of mustard-seed boiled in a pint of pure olive-oil, and the spinal column well rubbed with this oil every night, particularly back of the neck. *When this is followed up, and four or five bottles of the Discovery taken, I never yet knew it fail of making a perfect cure.*

## FEMALE DISEASES.

This is a delicate subject, and I would not write on it, were it not that I should be guilty of withholding a knowledge from my fellow-creature that can be used to great and lasting benefit.

A few months after the commencement of manufacturing the Medical

Discovery, I heard from afflicted women the most unbounded praise of the Discovery in the cure of those diseases prevalent among females. I was repeatedly urged to make known the virtues of the Discovery in that particular disease. I invariably replied, that the Discovery was intended and got up to cure humors; and, if its virtues were so great, one woman would always tell another of it. This answer was never satisfactory to any one: they seemed to think the whole country ought to know of it at once; and a great many ladies wondered at the indifference I manifested at their restoration to health, and offered me certificates of any length.

My ear and heart are open at all times to the call of suffering humanity; but I cannot make a business of all diseases. I studied to find a reasonable cause for it, but cannot. The greatest and best physicians in the country have written on the subject, without giving the least light upon it. My own opinion, if it is worth giving, is that stoves and hot-air furnaces are the principal causes: living continually in hot air causes a relaxation of the fibres, and the system becomes like a hot-house plant.

One thing is certain, if our daughters' grand-daughters shall degenerate as much as our daughters have from *their* grandmothers, whoever lives to see it will see sickly times.

In taking the Medical Discovery for these diseases, you need not take enough to operate on the bowels: all you require is to keep them regular. In very severe cases, you will use an injection of the decoction of white-oak-bark and wild indigo weed (the "*baptista tinctoria*" of botanists). This preparation is perfectly safe, and the most effectual that you can use. With it there is, however, one very great drawback, *you can get it for nothing*: if it was worth a dollar an ounce, you would have it, by hook or by crook.

If this book was published at a set price, like other medical books, I could, with propriety, enter into all details of the disease, and give much valuable information. A very erroneous idea prevails as to the seat and location of this disease, and, until a very few years ago, a wrong opinion of the very nature of it. One of the most instructive discourses I ever listened to was while sitting in the cars, going from Springfield to Albany. Two physicians sat in the seat in front of me; one very aged, but active, the other young, and in the prime of life, just returned from finishing his medical education in Paris. The old physician was deploring the degeneracy of the present generation, and stated, that, in his younger days, such a state of the system was almost unknown, while at the present day it was almost universal. The young man was high in his praise of French instruments and supporters; while the old one preferred a general course of tonics.

From the almost universal prevalence of this complaint, it is evident that a great change has taken place within a few years. In Holland, where the climate is moist and the land marshy and low, and stoves have always been

in constant use for centuries, we find this disease universal. Since the introduction of stoves in New England, we find the same melancholy result.

As I said before, a very general and erroneous idea prevails in regard to locality. The seat of the disease was supposed to be the loins and small of the back; whereas this is only a secondary symptom.

The disease is a general dissolution or melting of the solids, a want of agglutination or adhesion in the fibre of the flesh; the body becomes loose, lax, and flabby; a want of life and energy; in one word, a melting of a part of the powers of life, — not of any particular part or fibre, but of the whole. This melted gluten will often make the circulation of the whole body with the other circulating fluids, perhaps several times, until at last it finds a natural outlet; and a constant discharge affects the neighboring parts with weakness and pain.

It is evident enough from the general lassitude and languor of the system during this melting or dissolving of its life, that it loses a very essential and vital principle, which is absolutely necessary to support the powers of life.

It becomes the first duty of the physician to arrest the progress of the disease, and supply a remedy that restores the system to its proper vitality. The Medical Discovery has done more in this class of diseases than any medicine ever brought before the public; yet it is far from being so perfect a remedy as I wish it was. Its cleansing power as a medicine is unequalled, searching and piercing through every cord and fibre of flesh and blood, and expelling every foreign particle. To make the Discovery more effective, I would advise you to use iron in any of its forms (it makes but little difference whether you take it as tincture or as a pill); or you may take a quart of pure cider-vinegar, throw in half a pound of iron filings, or even common nails, they will dissolve in a few days. Take from a teaspoonful to a tablespoonful every day; you may mix it with the Discovery, if you like. This will cause the Discovery to work more speedily and effectively. The iron will restore the blood to its proper vigor; the face and complexion will come to its natural bloom, and the eyes to their natural vivacity.

Next to the best remedy that I know are the various pine-balsams; white-pine is said to be the best; drink of it freely: even common spirits of turpentine, take a few drops every day, is excellent. I would also advise you to drink freely of every herb that forms a mucilage, and feels tart or puckery in the mouth: these herbs have always formed the basis of all female restoratives that are sold. Among them are Comfrey, Slippery Elm, Gum Arabic, Seeds of Pumpkins, Squash, Melons, Solomon-Seal Roots, Marsh Mallows, and the common field Mallows, or what the children call Cheeses; nothing better growing, common Plantain, Yarrow, &c.; these herbs are what is called vulnerary, or healing by their glutenous nature, and may be freely used.

Strong injections are particularly objectionable in this disease, as by their astringency they close the veins, and repel the humor, causing it to settle somewhere else or find some other outlet. This has been the cause of a vast amount of misery. When the blood is sweetened and the bowels well evacuated, then weak injections, such as wash of Sumac-tops, Oak Bark, Wild-Cherry Bark, or Willow Bark, and Wild Indigo are perfectly safe and commendable.

### EFFECT OF THE DISCOVERY DURING PREGNANCY.

I have received many letters from anxious mothers, inquiring what effect the Discovery has on the system during pregnancy, and if it is safe to take it. In reply I will say, It is perfectly safe in all stages: due care is to be taken that it does not act as a violent cathartic, or serious danger might occur; all you require is to keep the bowels gently open, and this will work off any humor in your system, and also save your babe from Canker Rash, and yourself from a Nursing Sore Mouth. I have seen so many instances of the good effect of the Discovery on both mother and child, that I am often enthusiastic in its praise. I have often seen one or two children in a family die of Canker, or other humor; but, when the mother took the Discovery during pregnancy, she had a babe the picture of health and beauty. To have a babe the picture of health and beauty is very desirable; but you must have him also the very picture of goodness in after-life; and, to produce this, you must keep your own mind in a gentle, calm, and happy state, and, if possible, look on the bright side of every thing: do not be distrustful of God and his providence, there will be enough in the world for your baby when he comes. The same God that has provided for your mother will provide for you; keep a hopeful, cheerful, and happy heart, and during the whole period you must avoid all fretting, and every thing that can cause any irritation of the nerves. Choose cheerful friends, do not listen to any low, vulgar, or insinuating language: let the thoughts of your mind and the meditations of your heart be as pure as it is possible for human nature to be. I know there are many natures who are at this time very impulsive, and longing for something; every mother knows what this feeling is; now, if this wish is very intense, you must gratify it even at the risk of being thought ridiculous. How the mind of the mother is reflected on the unborn babe we do not know; but we do know that it is so, and that many children are born into the world with propensities which they would not have if the mother had her longings satisfied. We find many children born with marks of various kinds, such as strawberries, raspberries, currants, and various other things; but oh! how many are born with the mind marked with a moral stain that is developed in future years. Now, my dear daughter, remember your responsibilities, keep your mind in charity with all the world, and take a few bottles of Kennedy's Medical Discovery.

## NURSING SORE MOUTH.

This is a disease peculiar to American women: European medical writers are entirely silent on the subject.

I have made frequent inquiries among English, Scotch, and Irish women; and all declare they never heard of such a disease, and some ridiculed the idea of such a disease existing.

A German physician, in translating my first circular from English to German, gave the expression "Nursing Sore Mouth" a most amusing and ludicrous meaning.

This disease is caused by an excess of lymph over the lacteal; the infant drawing the milky secretion from the system, giving the lymph or acrid juice the upperhand.

As the term "lymph" may not be understood by all my patients, it will be well to state, that it is the water raised by Spanish-fly blister, and is in its nature caustic or acrid.

Common as Nursing Sore Mouth is, and excruciating as are the sufferings caused by it, and thousands of infants have to be weaned before their time on account of it, yet no remedy was ever known to relieve it, even the slightest, except a gargle of gold-thread and borax.

Many a loving and affectionate mother, unable to swallow nourishing food, has lived upon slops, — cold tea, and cracker, and such like, — and ruined her own health, for the sake of nursing her infant. In recommending the Medical Discovery to you, I feel both proud and thankful that you can rely on it.

I have had more good wishes showered upon my head for relieving this disease than for any other; if mothers who are constitutionally liable to this disease will take two bottles before confinement, it will eradicate every symptom of Canker from both themselves and their infants.

Will not some of our medical writers who have time and opportunities examine into the subject, why this is peculiarly an American disease; are we, as a nation, more bilious? are the secretions thinner? are the lacteals less active? why are our own women's breasts so much smaller than those of European women? If we cannot apply a remedy, it will be well to know the cause: IN ONE SECRETION, AT LEAST, WE CAN CHALLENGE THE WORLD, — "THE MILK OF HUMAN KINDNESS."

## CHANGE OF LIFE.

Oh, how full of meaning is this common expression! and yet how little understood, and even less attended to! How many constitutions that have continued strong and robust through life are now, at this critical period, wrecked and ruined for want of a little care and a little more knowledge of their own organization!

This period is the most mysterious of a woman's life; the mind and body go through a change which has never been understood; this is the critical period of woman's future life. The cause, or even the necessity, of the monthly period in woman has always been one of the mysteries of nature: we only know that it is so, and that it is greatly modified by climate. In Lapland, Greenland, and the colder parts of Russia, it only occurs two or three times during their short summer; in tropical countries, it commences at twelve, and ceases at thirty; in temperate climates, it commences at sixteen, and ceases at forty-five or fifty; yet I have known many, very many, instances of old ladies who had passed this time of life, and were taking the Discovery, to become again regular at the age of sixty to sixty-five, and one at sixty-seven, who continued so for several months, and seemed to renew their strength and energy. One of the dangers to be apprehended at this time is the sudden cessation of the usual secretions; in this case take a warm hip-bath, warm as you can bear it; sit in it say twenty minutes, then take a spoonful of the Discovery in a little hot water, and go to bed and keep warm: this may be done one or two nights, and in nearly every case it is effectual.

All the secretions that for years were expelled by an effort of Nature are now languishing in the system, as Nature is losing her vitality and strength, and is not able to free herself of any evil humor that may be settled in the system. It is at this time that cancers and ovarian tumors, and other kindred diseases, are formed of the acrid humors that were formerly carried away in the secretions. At this time, Nature needs help, needs to be strengthened to relieve herself, and expel the miasma out of the system, and to open and regulate all the nerves and channels that are closing. For this purpose, no medicine has ever come to the knowledge of mankind that has so great a reputation as the Medical Discovery: this is a perfect regulator of the system, lessening the secretions when they are too much, and increasing them when too little; and is all you can possibly wish to regulate the system.

It is not to be expected that you will take it with the same regularity you do when you have Scrofula. I only ask you to keep it by you in the house as a family medicine. In ordinary cases, three or four bottles a year will be sufficient to free you from any of the diseases that follow a poor time in going through the change.

I have had very many letters of thanks from ladies from all parts of the country, acknowledging the good effect of the Discovery during this period, but never published any of them, as the Discovery is not put before the public as a female medicine. I merely tell you the good effect it has had; and it always does me good to receive letters acknowledging it.

Man goes through this change as well as woman. I never shall forget my own blank amazement when one of the good mothers of Roxbury told me that her husband was then going through the turn of life, and she

had to pay attention to all his whims ; but she consoled herself by saying that in another year he would be all over with it.

I exclaimed in perfect wonder at this new idea : in all my reading and in all my studying, I had never heard even an idea of such a thing. She replied, " Oh ! Mr. Kennedy, how many families I have seen made unhappy and broken up for want of a better knowledge of their own natures ! I have seen the wife accusing the husband, and the husband accusing the wife, of unreasonableness and obstinacy, each one thinking himself the injured party, when a few words of explanation would make it all smooth." I asked my friend for the symptoms of this state ; but she could not give me much insight into it, only that any woman could tell it in the case of her own husband by noticing his peculiarities, and how different he was from what he used to be.

I got very much interested in this to me new theory, and went to a spiritual medium, who is controlled by one of the good old doctors of Boston, and told him of my new-found light, and asked his opinion of it, and what light he could give on the subject. The spirit told me the change took place exclusively in the nervous system ; that man at this period arrived at his state of perfection, or the perfection of his manhood ; and, after remaining in that state for a few years, he then began to decline, and the process of declining consisted of contracting of the nervous system ; there is a withering and shrinking of the nerves, his ideas do not flow as freely from his brain to his mind as they did, and they are thrown back on himself, and set him brooding on himself ; he then gets nervous and fretful, is suspicious, has what he calls the blues. The friends of a lifetime are cast aside, and he listens to strangers ; he will wander from home without any known object, and it is called aberration of mind. Men who have been examples of morality and virtue all their life will now do the most unaccountable things, and utterly at variance with their former life and conduct. After raising a family and living in harmony with his wife up to forty-five or fifty, they begin to quarrel, and the one looks on the other with suspicion, and are often separated, and all for want of a little knowledge of themselves.

The spirit went on in this style for some time, and said, " Now, doctor, you must publish this to the world : it may save many a poor woman from a broken heart and a broken family." I replied, that it was all new to me, and I was afraid to touch it ; that some physician who stood high in the profession ought to be the first to break ground. The spirit replied, " Doctor, do you know that you have got more of a hold on the minds of the people in these United States than any other man in it ?" I replied, I did not. The spirit then said, " You have ; and people will believe any thing you say." I replied to this, " Then I must be very careful what I do say." The spirit replied, " You *must* be very careful of what you say ; and I say this as a truth, of which every man of sixty years of age

will confirm all you say. Mind me, I do not say that every man quarrels with his wife and leaves her; but I do say that there is a nervous change that every man is conscious of when he looks back. Look at the boy during puberty, what an important and critical time to guide him through and make a man of him! it is equally important during the second change to guide the man. Now, doctor, another thing I wish to say to you is this, that no man who has led an exemplary life up to this period ought to be dealt hard with, or even punished, for any little fault he may commit during this period, as he is not always himself. You must publish this to the world also. Soon the world will take the right view of it."

I asked the spirit, what will the world think of me for publishing all this; that I stood prominent before the world, and wished to deserve and get the world's good opinion.

The spirit replied, "Every man in the world will thank you and think better of you. This is not theorizing or speculating, but actual truth; and truth is truth, and will always stand; and, as long as you have truth on your side, you need not be afraid to spread it: another thing you have on your side, the truth is so self-evident it cannot be contradicted."

To this I replied, "Well, spirit, all that is very good; now, where is the remedy? where does Kennedy's Medical Discovery come? I do not see it." The spirit replied, "I do not see it either. The remedies are, in the first place, that you know what the matter is with you, and that you then bring your reasoning faculties to bear to know that you must suffer this irritation of the nerves for a certain period; and the better care you take of yourself during this period, the better health you will enjoy the rest of your life." The spirit continued, "Choose for yourself cheerful company; all innocent amusements are to be encouraged, particularly in your own family; let your home be the garden of Eden, without a snake, or an apple of discord. Avoid all intoxicating liquors at this time, as they have a particularly injurious effect on you at this period. When you cannot sleep, you may drink valerian-tea, or hop-tea, or catnip-tea, or you can have a hop-pillow under your head. During this time, man is very notional about his food: give him whatever he relishes."

I now thanked the spirit for his information; and, promising to publish it, took my departure, and on my way home met a Baptist clergyman, and related my interview with the spirit; and he, kind man, without giving any credit to the spirit, thought there might be something in it. He said in conversation with old Dr. Sharp of Charles Street, that Dr. Sharp told him that there was nothing in his whole ministry that surprised him so much as to see men and their wives raise a family of children, and then, at the age of forty to fifty, begin to quarrel. The spirit's theory may be correct, after all: it certainly accounts for much that is otherwise unaccountable.



## COMMON SORE EYES.

## CAUSE.

This is caused by a sudden cold, a checking of the perspiration, and a bad condition of the blood generally; the disease becomes so virulent as to become an epidemic.

## SYMPTOMS.

There is a grievous pain in the whole body of the eye, and the lids are inflamed; the eyes feel as if they were filled with sand, with a copious flow of tears and an intolerance of light, with a wish always to keep the head lying on the knees.

## CURE.

The Medical Discovery must be taken in this disease to clean out all the acrid and sour matter of the system. As an application to the eyes, I have never found any thing better than Kennedy's Eye Water, bathing the eyes with it three times a day. To those who cannot obtain this eye-water, let them grate a raw potato, and lay the mash on the eyes with a bandage. Take equal parts of lemon-juice and water, bathe the eyes with it three times a day: this is equal to any thing I ever used.

## SCROFULOUS SORE EYES.

## CAUSE.

This is the most dangerous variety of sore eyes, and always the most difficult to be cured. It is caused by a scrofulous constitution of the body, and, settling in the eyes, is often the result of bad management in getting over the Measles and Scarlet Fever.

## SYMPTOMS.

The pain in the head is always very severe; the eyes are swollen and hot, with severe darting pains running into the head; the eyelids are often inflamed and swollen, with a discharge of purulent matter, which in the morning has to be washed off to enable the patient to open his eyes. Space will not allow me to go into all the symptoms of this disease.

## CURE.

Nothing can be more surprising than the complete control the Medical Discovery has over this disease.

The patient must in this case take the Discovery for several weeks, without doing any thing to the eyes except bathing them in milk and water, or warm water and castile soap. I wish that most of the humor be expelled,

and the patient be able to open his eyes, before any thing is applied to them; then you will bathe them three times a day with Kennedy's Eye Water. In this disease, the Discovery has been a blessing to thousands, and may be so to you, if you manage it right.

## BAD BREATH.

It may appear to you one of the most singular phenomena connected with your being, why a mouthful of pure morning air taken into your lungs is in a few minutes returned smelling worse than get out.

### CAUSE.

The spleen secretes a fluid that mixes with the blood, which mixes with carbon and oxygen out of the atmosphere. These act chemically upon one another in the lungs, supply the burnt carbon to the blood in the shape of iron, thus vitalizing the whole of this important fluid, giving strength to all the tissues. An over-supply of this burnt carbon makes the blood heavy, and circulation sluggish, causing many slow and lingering diseases. Some systems generate more carbonic-acid gas than the oxygen can consume in the lungs; and it is returned by the mouth without being purified, causing that most disagreeable of all annoyances, a fetid breath.

Persons of a constitutional bad breath are of a greasy skin, with heavy, unmeaning eyes, complexion of a greenish sallow: if they are not really sick, they are not absolutely well. None of these symptoms refer to a foul stomach or foul teeth.

### CURE.

In this case, the whole system needs regenerating. All old and offensive matter must be expelled out of the channels and culverts, and a free and easy circulation created; in ordinary cases, three bottles of Discovery will keep the oxygen and carbonic gas in an equilibrium for a whole year.

When an offensive breath is caused by foul teeth, I do not know of any thing better than chewing sweet flagroot: a very small piece will act chemically on the teeth. Do not swallow much of it, as it is exceedingly drying.

## KENNEDY'S SCATTERING LINIMENT.

It is well known that Scrofula manifests itself on the neck, nine times out of ten on the left side. It has always been a puzzle to me why the left side is so much more liable to disease than the right, but it is so; commence, if you like, with the toothache, follow down until you come to the corns on your toes, you will find the left side more affected.

It commences at first in small kernels about the size of a pea, sometimes three or four of them. They remain stationary for a long time; in other cases gradually enlarging, and in some growing very rapidly, commencing under the ears, and meeting under the chin, sometimes painful, as a general thing without pain. Sometimes there is a swelling on the glands, composed of a soft, pulpy nature. An application of tincture of iodine, and two or three bottles of Medical Discovery, will always cure this kind of swelling.

But when the swelling is hard, and feels like a bunch of rope-yarns twisted and knotted together, then I know of nothing that will do you any good except Kennedy's Scattering Liniment. It must be applied freely, and rubbed in as often as you can; for the rubbing has a great deal to do with the dissolving of the lump, as it opens the pores for the Liniment to penetrate. Some will scatter in five or six weeks, while in other cases it will take as many months.

In scattering these lumps, if you take the Discovery there is not the least danger of the humor settling elsewhere; nor is there any necessity of taking so much of the Discovery as to operate on the bowels twice a day.

I have seen some of those lumps of an awful size, filling the whole neck from the tip of the ear to the shoulder (the head could not be turned round), scattered in three or four months. You should be particularly careful not to get out of patience during the process: I do assure you that it is slow work; you will never see the difference between to-day and yesterday, yet patience and perseverance will effect your cure.

All the most eminent physicians of antiquity, from Hippocrates down to the present day, have written on Scrofula, swelling of the glands, and have tried and experimented with thousands of remedies, yet nothing was ever found to have any effect except burnt sponge. In 1812, iodine was discovered, and its effect as a scattering medicine soon established: this was a great discovery, and on fleshy, pulpy, soft, and spongy swellings it is the best thing you can use. It is not now held in such high repute as formerly, as a free use of it has a very bad effect on the genital organs: it is a mystery how it acts; but the fact is well established.

It may seem strange to you how I should find out a remedy so effectual, that has baffled the skill of the greatest chemists and physicians. Some years ago I read in an old book that such an herb simmered in oil, and an ointment made therefrom, would cure corns: I tried it on my own feet, and found it a perfect solvent of soft corns, but having no effect on hard ones. About this time a beautiful young lady was taking my Medical Discovery for Scrofula. Her neck was swollen to an awful size; every thing had been used to scatter it, from warm cow-dung (which is a most excellent scattering remedy) up to tincture of iodine: nothing had any effect. One day I was in a brown study on the subject, when all at once I *thought of my corn-salve: it might be the very thing!* I applied it freely,

and to the joy of her family, as well as my own, on my next visit I saw a great change for the better, and in a few months she was perfectly well.

I now tried it in every case; and after a while was fully satisfied that it only affects the hard knotty swellings, while tincture of iodine has the same effect on soft ones.

## WORMS.

There are three kinds of worms that infest the human system,—the stomach-worm, the tape-worm, and the pin-worm. It is difficult to assign a cause for the existence of worms in the system. Some say bad water, crude and indigestible vegetables, unripe fruit, drinking surface water or rain water: all these may induce a state favorable to the breeding of worms; but we often find them where these causes do not exist.

The stomach-worm is the most active, and the most injurious to the system, as it travels through the whole intestinal canal. These in some cases grow to an enormous size, and, as they traverse through the bowels, they cause convulsions and often fits. The fits caused by worms are different from epileptic fits in this, that the sufferer is always aware that he is to have a fit, and has some recollection of it when it is over; whereas in epilepsy the fit commences in the brain, and all consciousness is obliterated.

The symptoms of a stomach-worm is a ravenous appetite: when the stomach is empty, the worm is restless, often biting the stomach itself, causing a most excruciating and nervous feeling; at other times he thrashes with his tail, causing a trembling and faintness; and the idea that you have something alive in you is any thing but pleasant.

All that have worms of any kind are always nervous, peevish, and fretful; why it is so I cannot tell, unless the worms consume the finer and most ethereal parts that go to make up the nervous fluid, causing a deficiency of that most important secretion.

The broad tape-worm always infests the intestines, seldom moving: some of these are of enormous length. Dr. Richardson of Boston had a patient who passed a tape-worm thirty-six feet in length. The tape-worm grows by joints, and unless the whole is expelled at once it soon grows again. This worm seems to live by suction, and takes up the most nourishing part of the food; always causing a leanness of the body, taking away the healthy color of the face: the nostrils are pinched, also causing a hollowness of the nostrils, as if the roots of the upper teeth caved in; the eyes have lost their lustre, and look dull and heavy, and often, as it were, quivering, and a great anxiety of mind; the skin is dry and parched. This worm makes more of an inroad on the constitution than any other, on account of its taking up the milky and most nourishing part of our food, and may remain in the system for months or years without its presence being suspected.

## PIN-WORMS.

These are always in the colon and anus, and in children often come outside without any operation of the bowels. It has always been supposed that medicine given for pin-worms lost its effect before it reached the seat of the disease, and that the cure of pin-worms was impossible.

It may seem out of place in me to recommend a medicine that was originally got up for the cure of the various kinds of humor, for so many and various diseases as I do; and perhaps the reader may demand an explanation why the Discovery will kill worms of all kinds that infest the human system. My only explanation is its *intense bitterness*, with its cleansing and clearing purgative principles.

The symptoms of pin-worms in children are restlessness, sudden starting in their sleep, gnashing or grating their teeth in their sleep, swelled bowels with griping pain, costiveness, itching of the anus, convulsive twitchings of the muscles, fetid breath, bad teeth, much saliva on the pillow; in the morning they look poor and puny; their flesh is loose and flabby, and without its natural color, turning to a dull, bluish green; a want of strength and vitality of the whole animal life.

To destroy the worms, and restore the child to its natural health, you have only to give it Kennedy's Medical Discovery every night, enough to keep his bowels gently open, with once a week enough to operate as a brisk cathartic, say a double or treble dose; and you may take my word for it, if there are any worms in the bowels they have to come. There is not the slightest danger to the child's health, or any debilitating effect, from a free use of the Discovery. He can eat and drink and play as usual.

I could fill this sheet with testimonials of the expulsion of worms by the Discovery, but, not claiming the honor of being a worm-doctor, I never paid much attention to them.

## FLATULENCY, OR WIND IN THE STOMACH AND BOWELS.

This disease is caused by a cold, clammy state of the stomach, and want of life in the digestive organs. During the process of digestion, the gases which are raised are cold and heavy, and remain in the stomach; whereas in good digestion the gases are warm and ethereal, and are mixed with the circulation, and evaporate through the pores. For a permanent cure, I would recommend to you to take a few bottles of the Medical Discovery: this by its tonic properties will put the stomach in perfect order. For a temporary relief take a teaspoonful of Kennedy's Rheumatic Liniment, in a little warm water and sugar, or take any hot and stimulating drink that will warm and comfort the stomach.

## POISONED WITH IVY AND DOG-WOOD.

So far as I know, these are the only two vegetables in our country that communicate poison by handling them : both these are growing plentifully in all parts of our country, and are now used extensively in medical preparations. All are not alike affected by these bushes. I have seen some boys and men handle them, and lash themselves with the branches, while others are poisoned by walking on the road where these grow on the side of it. I knew one man so sensitive to the effect of Ivy, that he was poisoned by looking at it from a distance of fifty feet : it affected his eyes.

The symptoms of this disease are inflammation and swelling of the parts affected ; and, in severe cases, the skin is raised in large blisters, accompanied with great fever, and general lassitude of the whole system ; and it takes several weeks for the system to recover its tone ; and I have seen many who said their system was so poisoned with it, that they never recovered their health until they took several bottles of Medical Discovery. On the first appearance of being poisoned, you will bathe the parts with the Medical Discovery, and continue to do so for a few days, and all symptoms of the disease will disappear ; but I would advise you to take one or two bottles of it to eradicate from the system any particles of the poison that might have been absorbed.

My first knowledge of the Discovery being good for Ivy-poison was from a young lady of New Hampshire, who wrote to me, that, in her agony, she did not know what to do ; but, her mother having a bottle of Discovery, she bathed with it, and it cured her. I have since recommended it, and it proves itself a specific.

## DISEASES OF THE LIVER.

---

The Medical Discovery has been found so beneficial in various diseases of the liver, that I consider it my duty to state the symptoms of diseases of the liver, and to state the diseases for which it is applicable.

No organ of the human system is of more importance than the liver; and certainly no organ is more liable to disease; and most certainly no organ is more thoroughly quacked.

In present practice, the liver is made a scapegoat, of; and all the diseases of the system are in some way or other attributed to it. The liver is liable to disease in eight different ways. Some of them are rather the effect than a cause, and had better not be divided.

1st, Hot; 2d, Cold; 3d, Inflammation; 4th, Ulcers; 5th, Obstruction; 6th, Jaundice; 7th, Scirrhus, or Hardness; 8th, Dropsy.

1st, *A hot liver.* Some have a hot distemper of the liver from birth, and, of course, cannot be wholly cured. All that can be done is to allay the heat. Your best remedy for this is cooling herbs, such as Succory, Endive, Dandelion, and Buglos, drank freely.

The sign of a hot liver is a loathing of food, dryness and costiveness of the bowels, heat of the palms of the hands and soles of the feet, and a leanness of the whole body.

2d, *Coldness and Obstruction* may be classed under one head, as obstruction is caused by coldness. The signs of this disease are difficulty of breathing, especially when going up hill or even up stairs; the face is pale, inclined to a greenish hue; a leanness and dulness of the whole body. There is also a sense of weight across the lower part of the chest, a costiveness of the bowels, a sense of weight on the right side, together with a dead, heavy, dull pain. There is frequently a dry cough, with a small speck of thick, dark, tough phlegm, with a furred tongue and a saltish taste in the mouth, dull, heavy headaches, and exceedingly heavy eyelids.

### REMEDIES.

The almost universal remedy for this disease is calomel in some shape or other, most generally given in the form of a blue pill. In cases of great

danger, and where life may depend on a quick, active medicine, calomel is probably the best remedy that can be given, — this is only in cases of life and death. The frequent use of it has impaired, yes, ruined, the health of thousands; and I would advise you to avoid it: the relief is only temporary in all cases. I will here state, that, in this disease, one bottle of the Medical Discovery is worth more to you than all the remedies in the catalogue of liver medicines: this is proved by the universal testimony of thousands who have used it.

Its action on the liver is direct and specific, exciting every nerve, opening every channel, and causing a free flow of all torpid and stagnant bile. To assist the Discovery in its operation, and facilitate a cure, the patient may drink the juice of warm and comforting herbs: recollect that the herbs recommended in hot distempers are here to be avoided, as they will bring on a supernatural coldness, and do more harm than good.

The proper remedies in this disease are Elecampane, Smallage, Agrimony, Centuary, Wormwood, all kinds of Thistles, Fumitory, and Hops. Use any one of these that is at hand: they are all perfectly safe, and can be used freely. Or, if you do not wish to have the trouble of herb-drinks, use a tablespoonful of pure sweet oil (not lard oil) every morning, and the Discovery every night. This will answer every purpose.

## JAUNDICE.

Authors mention two kinds of Jaundice, — the Black and Yellow. The Black is said to come from the spleen, and is very rare; the Yellow Jaundice is caused by an evil concoction of the liver and an obstruction of the gall-bladder, which hinders the flowing of the gall into the bowels, but is sent with the blood through the whole body, causing a yellow skin, yellow eyes, and yellow nails: the perspiration will stain the linen as yellow as saffron. There is in this disease an unaccountable feeling of laziness, dull headaches, itching of the skin, bitter taste in the mouth, and sometimes vomiting.

I am not a Jaundice physician: if I was, I could give you many famous remedies, — charms and amulets without number: it is sufficient for me to say that one or two bottles will cure the worst case.

## SCIRRHUS, OR HARDNESS OF THE LIVER.

This is one of the worst diseases of the liver, and is seldom wholly cured, yet it may be greatly relieved, and the patient kept comfortable for a great number of years. Yet at the same time, life is almost a burden, as sufficient blood cannot pass through the liver to nourish the vitality of the system. The liver being as it were a strainer in the body, and all the



blood having to pass through it, it may easily be imagined what a train of diseases must follow a hardening or a congestion of it.

The signs of a hard liver are nearly the same as in obstruction of it, only that every symptom is worse, and all the pain more severe. To assist the Discovery in this disease, you will use herbs of a softening and mollifying nature, such as Mallows, Flaxseed, Camomile, St. Johnswort and Ground Ivy, Marsh Mallows, Pumpkin-seed, and Sweet Oil: these are all of a softening, lubricating nature, and can be freely used, particularly the Sweet Oil, which, in this disease, is above all price.

## DROPSY.

Dropsy is said to be owing to an inactive state of the liver: perhaps it is; but, upon what ground this theory is built, I have never been able to make out. I never could find a reasonable explanation of it, therefore I doubt the whole of it.

Dropsy is caused by a dam in the system, or rather the choking-up of a culvert; and the back water is the dropsy. This is the long and short of it; and whatever medicine you can find that will work its way through, and clear out, this culvert, will cure the Dropsy. I am happy to inform you the Medical Discovery in this disease is as near a specific as a medicine *can be*. *I have never known it fail.*

The Discovery can be very effectually assisted in this disease by using drinks made of Elecampane-root, dwarf Elder leaves and flowers, Plantain-leaves, Marsh Mallows, Parsley-seed, Fennell-seed, and Pumpkin-seed. A teaspoonful of the tincture of Gum Guaiacum may be mixed with advantage with any of these drinks.

The more I think of this disease, the more I see the absurdity of ascribing it to the liver: the poor liver has got sins enough of its own to answer for.

Any part of the system is liable to be attacked with dropsy, or a collection of water. There is dropsy of the brain, dropsy of the chest, dropsy of the heart, dropsy of the bowels, dropsy of the womb, dropsy of the limbs, and a universal dropsy of the whole system.

For water around the heart, I would recommend a strong tea, made of blue Vervain, to be taken two or three times a day. This acts by sympathy with the heart in drawing off the water.

For dropsy of the womb, I would recommend sirup of Buckthorn Berries, to be taken for several weeks. I cannot say too much in praise of the Discovery for curing dropsy: and do you follow it up, it does not take long to make a cure. When the water once starts, it comes in streams. The various drinks which I recommend are merely given to lubricate or soften the passages, and by their mucilage to allay inflammation.

## SYPHILIS.

---

I have for years halted between two opinions, — between *duty* and *delicacy* in saying any thing about this disease; but, when I think of the vast amount of misery this disease has entailed on mankind, I must listen to the calls of duty, knowing full well that these few lines may be the means of restoring thousands to good health.

This disease is generally supposed to have been introduced into Europe by the sailors connected with the ships of Christopher Columbus on his return after discovering the American continent; yet there is not the first word of truth in it, or even a shadow of truth to make a lie. This story was originated by that veriest brute that ever walked on two legs, — Gonsalvo de Oviedo, Governor of Darien, in order to prejudice the King of Spain against the unfortunate natives, and as an excuse to bring them into slavery. I have in my possession every work that was published in the English language on this disease during the first two hundred years of its existence in Europe. Astruc, a famous French physician, is the champion of the party who advocate the theory of the introduction of the disease by Columbus; and, by endeavoring to prove it, he proves too much, and consequently has to contradict himself on every page of his very elaborate and searching history of the disease. It is not my intention, neither have I space, to enter into the arguments of either side in the case. Mr. Becket, an English physician of the last century, is the champion of the party who maintain that the disease always existed; that Job and King David were both afflicted with it. How his essays came to be admitted in that most excellent of all works, “The Philosophical Transactions of Great Britain,” has always been a mystery to me; for of all the weak, futile arguments I ever read, Becket’s are the most shallow.

From a careful examination of the writings of medical men of that age, it seems the disease was entirely different in its nature from what it is now. Neither Columbus, nor his brother Bartholomew, who wrote so accurate a history of the voyage, alludes to any particular disease among the sailors; and it is impossible to suppose that a disease so new, so strange, and so fearfully fatal, resisting every known remedy, could exist among the crew,

without being alluded to either by himself or by the historian of the voyage, where we find every other event recorded with the utmost precision. Dr. Thompson very gravely asks "if it is possible to suppose that a lot of sailors, laboring under a horrid, infectious, and fatal disease, would be sent from Palos in Spain to the city of Naples, a distance of six hundred miles: the very thought of it is absurd." I have two objects in view in writing this article, — first, to relieve my fellow-creatures; and, second, to wipe off the opprobrium that has so long attached itself to our glorious continent, in being stigmatized as the birthplace of the disease.

I want you to follow my figures, as I have taken great pains to be correct on day and date. We find that Columbus, on his return, landed at Palos, in Spain, March 15, 1493. He and his officers, and several Indians which he had brought with him, also several hundred of the better class of Spaniards, went in a sort of triumphal procession from Palos to Seville to pay his court to the king and queen; while his crew had free access to all the idlers and listeners of the then important port of Palos, and no doubt many of them went to all parts of Spain to see friends and relatives. Columbus and his officers were fêted and feasted in every town of Spain; yet we do not hear of any disease or epidemic of any kind in Spain or Portugal or any of the neighboring countries. Now, could this be possible with such an infectious disease? No! As Dr. Thompson says, the very thought of it is absurd. Now, from March 15, 1493, the date of the landing of Columbus at Palos, to the middle of August, 1494, is seventeen months: still no account of this awful scourge, in any part of Spain or Portugal, or anywhere else. In August, 1494, we find this disease breaking out at Naples among the French soldiers who were then besieging Naples. It manifested itself in scabs, blotches, and boils of a filthy and horrid appearance, over all parts of the body. In a few days, the hairs fell off; the flesh fairly rotted on the bones; death generally taking place in three weeks. It soon spread from city to city very much as cholera has done in our own time, carrying panic and consternation wherever it went, sparing neither rich nor poor, high nor low, sickly nor healthy: all were equally liable. Every one that was attacked was sure to die, as no remedy was known to have the slightest effect in retarding its progress. The expectations of medical men were often raised, and as often disappointed, by some new remedy, such as china-root, sarsaparilla, guaiacum-wood, or lignum-sanctum (holy-wood) as it was then enthusiastically called: all were tried and failed. Sassafras-root from Florida sold for a guinea an ounce. All these were found to be merely palliatives: and the disease went from country to country without any known remedy; and in 1470, or twenty years after its first appearance, when it had made the round of Europe, Jocabus Béranger, a physician of Strasburg, in Germany, tried the effect of mercury, which was then getting in use among physicians. This drug entirely changed the nature of the disease; and it

became gonorrhœal, and was communicated by sexual connection. Formerly it was a plague ; and the remedy has become, in every sense, worse than the disease.

When the system is fairly saturated with mercury, the effect of it is truly pitiable to contemplate. The bones are sore, and seem to crack ; the muscles and flesh are sore ; the pores are open, and every change of weather is felt, even to the marrow ; and there is a shivering and uneasiness of the whole body : in fact, the sufferer becomes a perfect barometer. The effect on the mind is even worse than on the body. Now, whether the mind is fed from the body, or the body from the mind, I leave you to judge ; but I can say that the effect on the body being saturated with mercury is truly disastrous to the mind. It becomes peevish, fretful, gloomy ; suspicious of one's best friends ; constant anxiety ; borrowing trouble from every side ; and, at every change of the weather, dejection seizes the mind, which it cannot throw off.

This is the condition of every one who has a remnant of the original disease lurking in the system, and whose body is full of mercury. In this state you will take five or six bottles of my Medical Discovery ; it will work every particle of mercury out of the system : then the Discovery will act directly on the disease, leaving mind and body in perfect health.

To facilitate the cure, you will mix together

- 1 Bottle Medical Discovery,
- 2 Ounces Balsam Copaiba.
- 1 Ounce Sweet Spirits Nitre,
- 1 Ounce Sulphuric Ether,
- 4 Ounces Lime-Water.

Mix these in one bottle, and take a tablespoonful twice a day : in the mean time, drink freely of flaxseed-tea, gum-arabic-water, squash-seed-tea, or any good mucilage.

Dr. B——, one of the most successful physicians of New York, writes to me, " If you will dissolve four drachms of *muriate* of *ammonia* and four drachms of *chlorate* of *potash* in a little warm water, and mix it with a bottle of your Medical Discovery, you will have a remedy that will cure every case of either active or secondary syphilis. I have tried it in hundreds of cases, and it never failed in a single case. You are at liberty to use this information as you like ; but, if you please, not my name."

Dr. Perry of Colorado writes to me, " I have treated a great many cases of Syphilis with your preparation, with the addition of three grains of *bichloride* of *mercury* added to each bottle. It is a specific ; and I never fail of effecting a cure in every case of what is called secondary or tertiary."

## SECONDARY SYMPTOMS.

Nothing in this disease seems more strange and unaccountable than the fact (and the fact is well established) that it lies dormant in the system, very much as canine virus does, which produces hydrophobia several months after being bitten; with this essential difference, that the virus of Syphilis will break out after what is called a badly-cured case. The unfortunate sufferer is so eager to get cured, that he runs to the one who promises the speediest cure: he is now the victim of the most astringent injections and the most drying medicines; the acidity and power of contagion in the virus is killed, but its impurity is left in the blood, and contaminates the whole mass, and breaks out in scabs and blotches on any part of the body, more particularly the throat, tonsils, and nose, and very frequently in the legs.

A great many wise medical men pretend that syphilitic eruptions are always easily known by their color and general appearance. Now, I am free to confess there is nothing more difficult than to tell at first sight the nature of an eruption. There are such varieties of complexion, from the blonde to the dark-brown, and from healthy red-hair to sallow and bilious, that I myself have guessed wrong as often as I have right; but I have always had the conscious satisfaction, that, no matter how I guessed, the Medical Discovery was sure to effect a cure.

It is in this disease more than any other that the Discovery proves itself a heavenly blessing, distilling and infusing health and strength through every vein in your body; restoring vivacity and cheerfulness to your heart and mind. In conclusion, I have one advice to give you; that is, after you consider yourself cured *take one more bottle*. The disease is exceedingly subtle, and you had better make sure that every particle of it is expelled.

The question may be very naturally asked, How did this malignant disease originate? The same may be asked of Small Pox, Leprosy, Cholera, and the various kinds of plagues which have so often happened on both shores of the Mediterranean.

*Carodinus Gilinius*, 1496, the first writer on the disease whose works have come down to us, says, "The air was corrupted from the exceeding great heat and moisture of summer."

*Nicolus Leonicus*, 1497, professor of arts and physic at Ferrara, says, "A new and unheard-of disease has broke out in Italy, which was entirely unknown in former ages."

*Gasper Torrelo*, 1500, physician to Pope Alexander VI., says, "The disease is caused by an evil aspect of the planets; that Saturn was in Aries with an evil aspect of Venus to Pisces, corrupting the air, and generating a new disease."

*Gabriel Falopious*, 1560, says, "The French and Spaniards poisoned the water."

*Andreas Cispalinus*, 1497, says, "The Neapolitans cut up the bodies of those who died from Leprosy, and put the flesh in casks of wine, and sold it to the French soldiers, which corrupted their bodies by a horrid disease thereby generated."

*Leonardo Fioravanti*, 1564, says, "That, provisions being scarce in the French camp, the sutlers, through greediness of gain, cut up the bodies of dead soldiers, and dressed it in various forms of food; sold it to the hungry soldiers at a high price: and as many as eat of it, without a single exception, broke out with boils and pustules, and the flesh rotted on their bones."

I could fill pages with such extracts as these, from the greatest physicians of that period. In fifty years, the disease had spread itself all over Europe; and each country blamed another as being the cause of it.

*Gonsalvo de Oviedo*, Governor of Darien, 1535, as an excuse for his cruelties to the natives, writes to the King of Spain, and also to the Pope, as an excuse for bringing them into slavery, that they were all afflicted with the disease which was then devastating Europe, and his only way was to bring them into a state of bondage to keep them separate from the Spaniards. This may have been correct, as large fleets of ships came yearly from Spain, and brought the disease with them. From the beginning, every nation in Europe was anxious to rid itself of the stigma of generating the disease. The French called it the Neapolitan disease, and the Neapolitans the French disease; the Italians called it the Spanish disease, and the Spaniards called it the Italian disease; and no writer for forty years alludes to it as an American disease. At last, after a lapse of forty years, Oviedo starts the story of its American origin. Here was an escape, as all the original discoverers were dead, and could not contradict it, and all Europe took it up with one accord. As they were tired of casting it one on to another, they joined in the grand chorus that it was brought from America by Columbus.

Oviedo states in his journal, that the natives are very fond of a particular species of snake or lizard, which he calls igahuana; that this snake was eaten at their religious festivals, and produced the disease in those that eat it. This is more absurd than any of the causes mentioned by previous writers; and when he came home to Spain, and was closely questioned as to the size and shape of the snake, he gave evasive answers, and wished to avoid all questions on the subject. However, it answered the purpose: every country in Europe was rid of the stigma; and that was sufficient. *It is now time the lie was sent back where it came from.*

DONALD KENNEDY.

## KENNEDY'S MEDICAL DISCOVERY FOR TROPICAL CLIMATES.

---

The Medical Discovery was originally intended and exclusively used as what is commonly called a blood-purifier; and always has proved itself a specific in curing Scrofula, Scurvy, Erysipelas, Tetter of all kinds, Canker, Scald-head, Shingles, Lepra, Psoriasis, Secondary Syphilis, Mercurial Ulcers, and every other impurity of the blood of whatever name or nature. Time and experience have developed more virtues in this medicine than in any one article that has ever been introduced.

Prof. Burnham of Lowell, in a lecture before the first graduating class of the New-England Female Medical College, said, that he had no hesitation in saying that Kennedy's Medical Discovery had alleviated more of the ills that flesh is heir to than any one preparation that has ever been brought before the notice of mankind.

Tropical climates have their own peculiar diseases; or, rather, the diseases of temperate climates are aggravated by the lassitude occasioned by the oppressive heat of a tropical sun.

No organ of the body is so soon affected by excessive heat as the liver; and no other class of diseases has caused more real misery to Americans in tropical climates than the various affections of the liver. Affections of the heart, bad as they are, are nothing compared to affections of the liver.

The first effect of a tropical sun on an American is to increase, for a few weeks, all the secretions of the system: it seems a dissolving or melting of the whole inside. This inordinate overflow on the liver soon causes a derangement of its functions: it, as it were, floats in a putrid puddle, and loses its quickening, or vital, or recuperating power, and soon communicate its taint to the stomach. The stomach being the laboratory that supplies the whole animal economy, the effects of bad concoction of food and vitiated secretion will soon become apparent in all parts of the body; the appetite is very poor; the taste is of a half salt, half acid nature; the breath is tainted so as at times to be perceptible to the patient himself; the whole body is getting in a ferment, and is in a fair way for the acclimating fever.

Now, I will say it with all boldness, that there is no disease easier warded off than an acclimating fever, if the patient will take a few bottles of Kennedy's Medical Discovery on his first arrival in any tropical climate. I have the testimony of ship-captains and passengers from all parts of the world to put the case beyond a doubt.

If the patient recovers from this fever, it will take months of the most careful nursing to enable him to attend to duty. He becomes listless in mind, sallow in complexion, and his eyes have lost their lustre.

There is something most mysterious and indescribable in this something that the eye has lost: it seems to have lost its soul. Kind reader, look at it, and think of it, and explain it if you can.

As the stomach is now become weak, and digestion feeblé, the intestines lose their tone, and peristaltic motion becomes exceeding slow; there is a contraction of the whole canal, this producing irregularity or looseness and costiveness alternately, and the poor sufferer is taking blue-pills one day, and opium the next.

The effect on the kidneys is equally disastrous to sound health. They lose the power to secrete what is called a full flow; and the urine becomes high-colored, acid, and hot; frequently very thick and ropy, with heavy sediment; with pain in the back, and pain in the loins.

Now, miserable and afflicted brother, I send you a perfect remedy in Kennedy's Medical Discovery for all the ills I have described, except restoring the soul to the eye.

You will take a tablespoonful, more or less, every day, just as your bowels can bear it, when there is inflammation of the stomach or bowels; if of an Erysipelas nature, the Discovery causes very distressing feeling during the first bottle, but always disappears on the second.

When the stomach is bilious, the Discovery causes a nauseating and even vomiting: this is not at all alarming, but rather to be encouraged. When the kidneys are affected, a singular tingling sensation is experienced, — something between tickling and itching.

But the great battle is fought with the liver. The feelings caused during the first bottle are as various as the faces of the children of men.

When the liver is cold and sluggish, a numbness is experienced, and a general weakness of the whole system, very much like sea-sickness, and, during the fits of this feeling, the sufferer cares but little whether he lives or dies: even the miser forgets his gold: this feeling lasts as long as the Discovery is going through the liver, perhaps two hours. *I would advise every one who has these feelings to take the Medical Discovery when they retire for the night, and sleep away these feelings before morning.*

When you are afflicted with a hot liver, your head aches, a hot dry steam arises, and oppresses the nerves, and you are fretful and peevish; your eyes are yellow, and you look on your best friends with distrust: what little food you do eat must be of the nicest kind, and best cooking, and even then it does not nourish you.



When you have severe nervous headaches, periodical or continuous, *have a care for your liver, and take a few bottles of Kennedy's Medical Discovery.*

When you have noise in both ears, frequent and severe thirst, a bitter taste in your mouth, a fetid breath, your countenance changing from yellow to a leaden color, sometimes a copper tinge, then a red spot in both cheeks, be sure your liver is affected: *take a bottle of Kennedy's Medical Discovery.*

When you have partial sweat on separate parts of the body, sometimes on the forehead only, frequent giddiness on stooping, frequent drowsiness, the mouth generally foul, and covered with viscid secretions, the fauces particularly foul, and often fetid, the gums liable to bleed; then your liver is in danger: *take a bottle of Kennedy's Medical Discovery.*

When your tongue is foul with all shades of foulness, and is covered with small ulcers; when your lower jaw becomes so stiff you cannot even chew tobacco, — then you may rely on it, *your liver is deranged, and you need a bottle of Kennedy's Medical Discovery.*

When your eyes are yellow, sometimes muddy, and sometimes of a bluish color, when you have a greasiness of the face and glossiness of the eyes and a red nose, without any apparent cause, with sometimes a discharge of blood from it; then your liver is affected, and *you require a bottle of Kennedy's Medical Discovery.*

When you have a dry, hacking cough, with expectoration of every color and consistence; pain in the right side, often extending to the left; a difficulty of lying on the right side, and sometimes on the left; when you lie on your back you have the nightmare, along with all kinds of unpleasant dreams, — all these symptoms will be found to attend affections of the liver in hot climates: they will occur in various combinations and proportions, according to constitution and locality.

*And in all these symptoms, Kennedy's Medical Discovery is the only reliable remedy.*

This condition of the system is the grand chance to see and feel the effect of Kennedy's Medical Discovery on the system. You will feel as if there were a thousand bees stinging you at once, — a pleasant thought, isn't it? Never mind, you must go through with it. Whatever part of the body is anyway closed, or the circulation stagnant, you will have this feeling. The Medical Discovery is now working its way mysteriously and surely through every vein, artery, nerve, and cell of your body, even to your very marrow.

The first effect of the Medical Discovery is to force its way through every tissue and cell and channel in the whole system, thus enabling vital life to flow through channels that have been shrunk or closed for years, to receive nourishment and life.

As the first effect of the *Discovery* is to force its way through every cell,

the next effect is to expel disease ; and thus it goes on from day to day, forcing and expelling, until there is a perfect equilibrium established of all the functions and secretions of the body.

From a sound body comes a cheerful mind, love of friends, love of society, and I hope love to God as the giver of every good and perfect gift.

Now, kind reader, you will not be afraid of any bad result from the Discovery : in explaining to you the effects of it, I have put the worst side out : I wish to do so to prevent any unnecessary alarm to you. I do assure you, on the word of a man who fully believes in punishing the guilty, that no bad result has ever followed the taking of the Medical Discovery. I make its nature and progress the whole study of my life.

It is a child of my own : I have fostered and watched its progress from the sale of two bottles the first day of its appearance up to a thousand bottles a day.

I have prescribed it to infants on the breast and to the old man of eighty ; and always with the most beneficial result.

## FEVERS OF HOT CLIMATES.

When Americans arrive in a hot climate, their bodies are not, for some time, sufficiently relaxed to discharge their perspiration freely : hence arises what is called acclimating and seasoning, which is usually a fever.

The great evacuation the patient suffers in the course of his cure relaxes the vessels, and perspiration becomes free and easy. This is the change or degree or relaxation meant by seasoning or acclimating, or being habituated to the heat of the climate.

Relaxation of the body may always be regarded as a certain degree of putrid tendency, arising from suppressed perspiration, and, in an atmosphere impregnated with crude vegetable miasma, seems to be the cause of all the endemic diseases of the torrid zone.

Putrid fevers are always common in hot climates, arising from the matter which should be discharged from the lungs and skin being retained, and turning to a ferment, becoming putrid. The disagreeable and highly putrid smell of the discharge from blisters proves the tendency of the humors to putrefaction.

Every fever is a struggle of Nature to relieve herself of something oppressive : therefore we should always assist her efforts by every means in our power ; and in hot climates no time is to be lost. Whatever is to be done must be done quickly, and in the beginning, where fevers are so rapid in their progress, and fatal in their effect ; where the body is so disposed to putrefaction, that a slight scratch soon becomes an ulcer.

## FINAL.

Now, kind reader, I must give you my opinion of the cause of fevers: this is a theory of my own. I differ from all that have ever written on the subject; nevertheless, if you will give it five minutes of your sober second-thought, you will come to the same conclusion, — that all fevers have the same origin: their diversity is owing to the various and different conditions of the human system.

The miasma and effluvia collected in the body soon form various gases; these gases affect the liver, causing the bile to become vitiated and corrupt; this is emptied into the stomach, and from the stomach into the general circulation, causing a fermentation, and this is the origin of a putrid fever.

Thus all fevers are a spontaneous combustion of internal and corrupted particles. This inward combustion going on in the system gives rise to all the different kinds of fever, as the state of the system may happen to be. Now, it is before this fire kindles that the Medical Discovery will be taken with the most benefit. It cleanses every particle of putrefied and vitiated matter, whether it be black bile or condensed gas, out of the body; thus preventing the possibility of a fever by taking away the very fuel upon which it fed, and which it required to make it burn. I can give you one advice which I hope you will take: that is, whenever you feel the slightest derangement of either body or mind; take a few doses of Kennedy's Medical Discovery.

In conclusion, I will say, that, in all fevers, the mind is affected before the body.

---

 NERVOUS DISEASES.

A few years ago, people did not know they had nerves, or, if they did, they had very little idea of their use. Peoples are now softening down, and all things are changing for the better. A man that was said formerly to be full of the Devil, is now-a-days only a little *impulsive*; a man who used to be considered so cross-grained that no one could get along with him is now called rather *peculiar*; and a woman who would once be considered a common scold and a nuisance in the neighborhood is now only a little *angular* in her temperament: now, this is all very good, and a great improvement on the harsh words that were used in the days of your childhood; for, of all human beings, there is none that requires more sympathy and pure genial kindness than a nervous person: things that appear to you as the most simple and common-place are distorted and exaggerated in his eyes, until molehills are become mountains, and reason and judgment seem to have lost their use.

The causes of nervous diseases are as various as the faces of the children of men: some come from disease, — from long, lingering sickness; others from excessive study, others from anxiety and care of their worldly goods;

others from a distrust of Providence, and gloomy forebodings of trouble, by which they make themselves and every one around them unhappy.

Now, there can be no effect without a cause; and you may depend upon it, your nervous friend has cause for all his trouble. You will remember that the nervous system is like the strings of a violin, and the starting-point of these violin-strings is from the emotional glands, situated in the stomach: now, these strings are the mysterious chords that connect mind and body, or, more properly speaking, connect the spiritual body with the natural body. Every thought of your heart, good, bad, and indifferent, also every drop of blood in your brains, flows through these violin-strings; and all the tunes that can be played upon you depend altogether upon the tone, clearness, and elasticity of these strings: then think how important it is to yourself and friends, that you keep the violin in good order.

When the body is weak, the nerves get relaxed, or what is commonly called unstrung; the voice is tremulous; the body is shaky; the heart palpitates; and you are in a very pitiable condition. Your stomach is full of hot gas or vapor: this communicates with the whole system, — the head in particular. In this situation, you are often afraid of yourself and everybody else. In a few days, this passes off, and the nerves are strung up tight, and you are on what is commonly called a high key, — full of frolic, to be followed by depression and despondency.

Another cause of nervousness is too much playing on one particular string of the violin. Many a bright genius has made wreck of himself by playing too much and too long on one string. How many a business-man you know, that has played upon one string until his whole nervous system is unstrung, dyspepsia has set in, and he has to make the tour of Europe to regain the lost tone, and get the strings right! A few days ago, one of the most successful merchants of Boston told me that his physician said to him, that there was only one of two things for him to do, — to go to Europe or Somerville (insane asylum). This is not a solitary case: there are hundreds of them. Now, we cannot all go to Europe, that is a sure case; then the next best thing you can do is to go through a course of Dr. Kennedy's Medical Discovery, — six, seven, or eight bottles, as the case may be.

Now, there is not a single ingredient in the Discovery that was ever used as a nervine; yet, as a whole, it is the best nerve remedy that can be used.

The principal nerve remedies are opium (which you must always avoid), assafœtida, scullcap, catnip, hops, valerian, and Indian hemp: these are all soothing for the time being; but a long use of them weakens the nerves; and, when you feel as if you cannot get along without them, then you must bring your will to bear, and give them all up at once. The same may be said of spirits of all kinds. Liquor is the greatest enemy to the nerves of any known substance, and never ought to be used in nervous diseases under any circumstance that can possibly arise.

You will naturally inquire how the Medical Discovery comes in as such

a wonderful cure-all in nervous diseases. The answer is very simple, and is this : The Medical Discovery is a cleanser of the whole system. The nerves often get clogged up or choked up both inside and outside : they get clogged up outside by humors settling on them, particularly salt rheum and its kindred diseases ; this settles on the nerves, and, by its acid and heat, withers and dries them up, so that thought cannot flow through them, but gets pent up, and you become as nervous as a witch. Then, again, the nervous fluid, what used to be called the animal spirits, or the marrow of the nerve, gets thick and clogged ; and all obstruction in it must be forced out. One of the greatest virtues of the Medical Discovery is, that it forces itself in at the fountain-head, inside of the nerve, and forces out every foreign substance, leaving the nervous fluid clear and transparent.

Thoughts can now arise in the emotional glands, and flow through the spiritual body in clear, living springs, then communicate to the natural body, giving warmth, love, and charity to all your actions.

It frequently happens that restoring the tone of the nervous system is the work of years. The fountain-head itself may be shattered : in this case you will require patience and perseverance to get you tuned so that every string will chord. In such a case, I would advise you to choose your friends with care.

Keep in the company of young people all you can ; enter into all their frolics ; give vent to your feelings by hearty laughing. When you feel pent up, halloo as loud as you can. If you are in a place where you cannot cry aloud, then inhale a full breath. Beat well on your chest and lungs, then empty your lungs with a h-u-h ; stretch yourself in every attitude ; pull and stretch : you have no idea how it will relieve you.

---

### EPILEPSY. — FALLING SICKNESS.

This is the most mysterious disease that man is liable to. A man strong in muscle, bone, and sinew, in robust and perfect health, is by an invisible foe stricken to the ground in an instant, before your eyes, and becomes unconscious and helpless as an infant, and in a short time rises as if there was nothing the matter.

Now, where is the root and cause of this disease ? In some cases, it is traced back to infancy, from a few gentle spasms gradually growing worse, until he becomes a confirmed epileptic. Such cases are often cured during the change of puberty : if they pass that, there is little hope for them. When the fits begin after puberty, there is much hope that they may be cured.

No reliable remedy has ever been known for this disease, consequently all kinds of superstition and charms have been used. The disease seems to come from two causes, — from the outside and from the inside. From every idea we can get of the disease, it is caused by an obstruction of the electric forces in rising to the brain or coming from the brain. When the

obstruction is in rising, the patient is aware of the fit coming on, and there is more contortion of the limbs and heavier breathing: when the obstruction is caused by the forces coming from the brain, the patient has no warning whatever, and generally lies motionless.

As this is a mysterious disease, of course mysterious remedies must be used. I have known a young girl cured by a Catholic priest (the pure and good Father Lynch of Roxbury) tying a piece of ribbon round her neck, and was permanently cured. I have known several cases cured by laying-on of hands by spiritual mediums. I have known one man cured by a medium telling him to get a rat, kill it, and bake it in an oven until it burnt to powder; then take that powder in molasses: that man remains cured to this day. I know of a case where a green frog was burnt in an oven, then powdered, and given in milk, and the woman remained cured for life. These cases I know personally; but how these ingredients operated on the electric forces is past my comprehension: but facts are stubborn things.

The most skilful physicians of the past two centuries used nothing but what we would now call nostrums. Dr. Willis and Dr. Sydenham, the lights of their day, recommended broths made of deer's horns and hoofs, cock's combs and claws, hen's gizzards, cuckoo's livers, rabbit livers, crow's gizzards, wolf liver, and many things to us equally absurd. All physicians recommended the roots of the male peony hung round the neck; and, from its universal use from the earliest ages of medical record, I think there must be some virtue in it. At present, it is entirely discarded.

Chief among remedies for this disease stands Kennedy's Medical Discovery, simply by its power of forcing itself through the nerves, and removing every obstruction that may hinder the flow of the electric force.

This electric force is absorbed from the atmosphere, and forms a combination with the gases generated in the system, and forms what is called the negative and positive electric currents in the system; and whatever obstructs this current, or force, in going to or coming from the brain, causes an epileptic fit; and whatever opens the channels, and allows a free flow, cures the disease.

It is generally supposed that the moon has a powerful influence on this disease, which observation has confirmed.

I have known the Discovery cure a great many cases, and I have also known it fail in as many cases; but, as a last resort, I would advise the afflicted to use several bottles. I knew one man take nineteen bottles, but it made a perfect cure.

I knew another case where the man was losing his faculties, was compelled to give up his business, perfectly cured, and restored to usefulness and happiness. I have known all ages and conditions in life cured by a few bottles. I have also known several bottles taken without the slightest benefit; but, as I said before, as a last resort, and for such an awful disease, it will pay you to try it. If I had space, I would like to go into more detail about this disease.

## CERTIFICATES.

---

### Cure of a Severe Case of Scrofula.

Mrs. Turner of Roxbury had, for several years, a small Scrofulous kernel, not larger than a filbert, in the left side of her neck. It had remained stationery so long, that not much attention was given to it; when, all of a sudden, it began to swell, turn purple, and feel painful. It continued swelling until it filled the whole hollow of the neck, as high as the ear. This case being a near neighbor, I had an opportunity of watching it from day to day. I applied my Scattering Ointment with no effect. Finally it broke, and discharged freely; and, in a few weeks, the whole body of the swelled lump sloughed away, or rather rotted away. As this always happens in such cases, I was not alarmed until it all disappeared, leaving the most fearful sore that I ever saw, from the back of the ear down to the throat and shoulder, not only large but deep, and resisting every application which I could think of, and every day getting worse and worse, and I more and more anxious about her safety. This was the first case where my skill was baffled. I meditated and prayed over her case with all the intensity of my mind.

Nov. 20. — Called; found her pulse weak, her voice low and tremulous, and her eyes suffused with an indescribable blue haze, and unable to look at me, and every appearance of a speedy dissolution.

This day I went to a Spiritual Medium, Mrs. Sesson of Shawmut Avenue, and laid the case of my patient before her while she was in a trance. After a thorough examination of her case, she asked, "Do you know the reason why your medicine does not work equal to your expectation in this case?" I replied, I did not: it was past my comprehension. She said, "Well, I will tell you. There is a Cancerous humor mixed with the Scrofulous humor; and your medicine does not reach it. You will make a strong tea of ————. Let her drink it freely, and wash the sore with it.

It will conquer the Cancerous humor; and let her keep on with your Discovery: it will cure her. But be quick: you have no time to lose." I then inquired the difference in the nature of the humor of Cancer and Scrofula, and got one of the most learned and common-sense lectures that the ears of man ever listened to, worth to me more than all I ever read; and all this from a lady, who, in her normal state, knows about as much as your wife or mine.

I acted as the Medium directed, and in a few weeks had the pleasure of seeing my patient restored to perfect health, which she has since continued to enjoy. One of the most singular things connected with this case was this: a few days after taking the Medium's prescription, a core came out of her head, through the palate, and smelt the most offensive that can be conceived. This was the third of the kind that I had known. I informed her the danger was now over; that this core was the original cause of the Scrofula.

### Cure of Ulcerated Sore Legs of Seven Years' Standing.

I consider it a duty which I owe to suffering humanity to proclaim to the world the wonderful cure effected on me by the use of *Kennedy's Medical Discovery*.

About seven years ago, my feet and legs commenced swelling and oozing of water, sometimes itching so severely as to prevent sleep and rest.

This continued for several months, notwithstanding that all cooling lotions and washes that myself and friends had ever heard of were freely used, without the least beneficial effect.

The water which had formerly oozed out clear was now turned to humor and matter, hardened and festered on the shin-bone. After a while, deep ulcers were formed, and the flesh came away in chunks, and the bandages smelling so bad that they were burned.

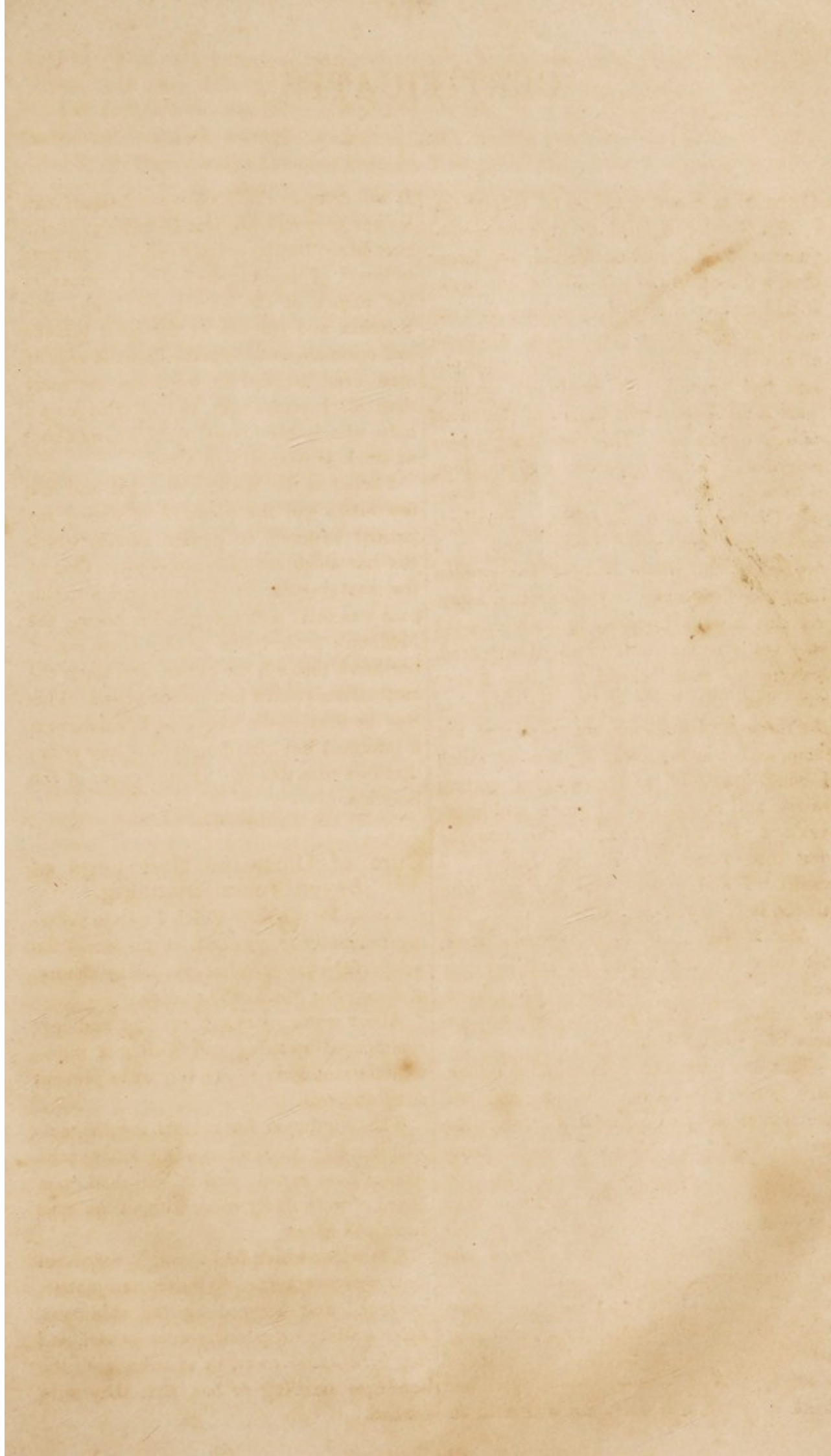


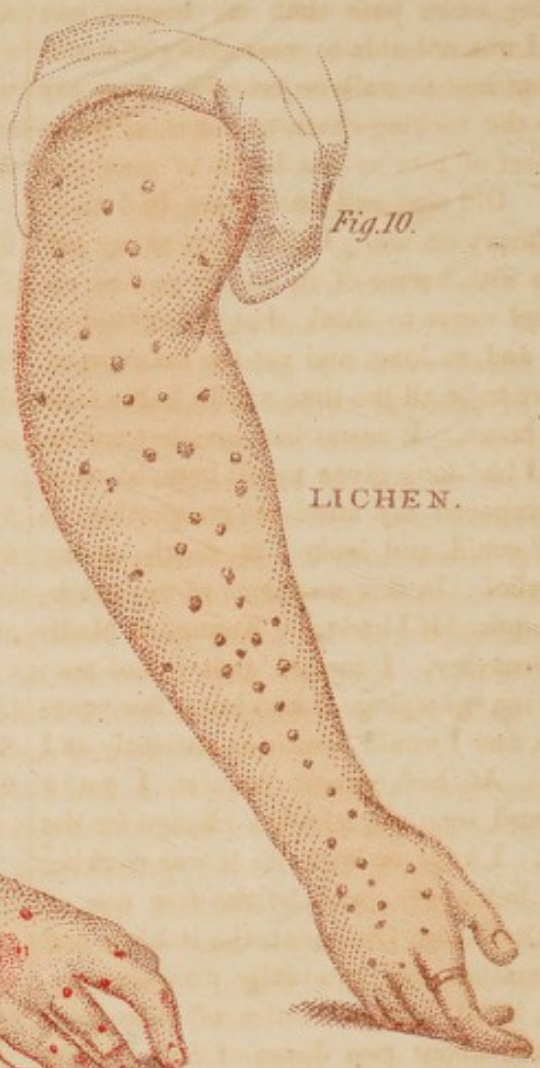


Fig. 9.



SALT RHEUM.

Fig. 10.



LICHEN.

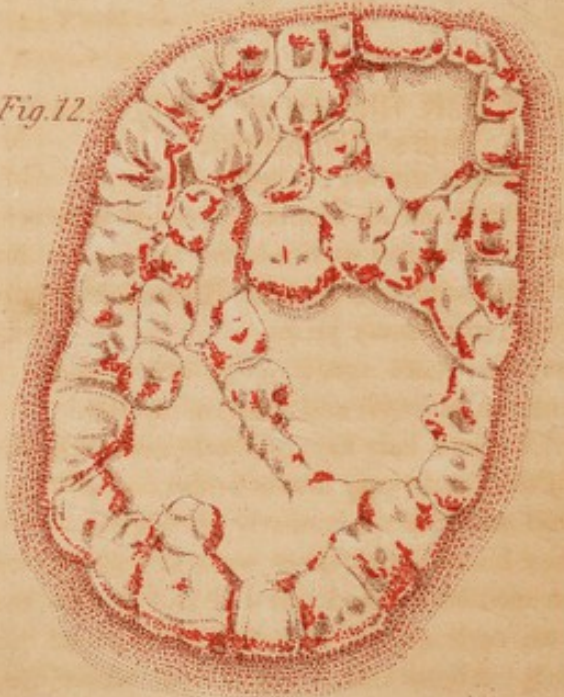
PSORIASIS.

Fig. 11.



LEPRA.

Fig. 12.



I continued in this state for four years, suffering more pain than my tongue can tell. I was not able to wear shoes or stockings, but had to walk on crutches from my bed to the rocking-chair, and was as great an object of pity as the heart of man can think. Old age, and such pain, laid their hand heavy on me. I look back at my sufferings with horror of it, and it makes me now feel worse to think that I suffered so much and so long, and yet the fountain of my cure to be all the time within half a mile of my house. It seems like needless suffering. I had long given up all hope of cure, and prepared my mind to resignation as best I could, and looked at death as my only relief. In this state, one of my neighbors inquired if I had tried Kennedy's Medical Discovery. I replied that I had not; had given up trying: I had but a few years to live, and I would bear it as patiently as I could. At her earnest request, I got a little, and soon perceived a change for the better. I kept on with it: it was working slowly but surely; and, by the free use of the Salt Rheum Ointment, the itching and inflammation was gradually disappearing. I took, in all, sixteen bottles of Discovery, and used about two dozen of Salt Rheum Ointment. I am now thankful to say that I am perfectly cured. SALLIE ROBIE,

*William Street, Roxbury.*

### Cure of Salt Rheum of Forty-Five Years' Standing.

NORTH RIDGEWAY, Orleans Co., N.Y.

MR. KENNEDY, — I never expected to be able to write to you such a letter as this, — that I am cured of the Salt Rheum, after suffering for so many years.

Forty-five years ago, it came out in my neck, ears, and head, and then on my whole body. I was, I may say, perfectly raw with it. In the winter, my hands broke out, and disabled me from work nearly all winter.

When I was a girl, there were not many patent medicines made, and I had to depend on such salves as neighbors recommended. About thirty years ago, patent medicines came in the market, and I have used every thing that has been advertised as a patent medicine to purify the blood, from that day to this. Sometimes I got

something that partially relieved me, and what I thought was going to cure me; but every thing lost its strength on me after a while. About two years ago, I commenced taking your Discovery. I must say I had faith in it from the beginning.

I took it regular, and have taken twenty-four bottles, and used six boxes of your Salt Rheum Ointment, which is the only ointment that ever agreed with my flesh. So you see all it wants is perseverance in the Discovery and Salt Rheum Ointment to cure the worst case.

I use your Discovery as a family medicine for my children. We had some trouble at first in getting it; but now our store-keeper keeps it as regular as any of the necessaries of life.

I want you to publish this in your pamphlet, so that people who are suffering from Salt Rheum may know what will cure them; for I do not believe there ever was such a case as mine.

MRS. A. CHASE.

### Cure of Consumption.

*The following is only an extract from a very long letter.*

SMITHFIELD, Ohio.

“DR. KENNEDY, — But the object of my writing to you at this time is to draw your attention to the case of my mother, and the effects which your medicine has upon her. Your medicine has been in our family eight years, and we have used about *sixty bottles*. My mother has been afflicted for a number of years, and four doctors pronounced her case consumption. She became so reduced from the effect of her cough, that we gave up all hopes of her recovery. All kind of doctor's medicines disagreeing with her, we tried yours: the effect of it was so singular she thought there must be some virtue in it. She continued the use of it until she thought it would kill her. We thought she could not live from one day to another; her lungs would discharge a quart of corruption and matter every day. Notwithstanding all her pain, she would take the Discovery, declaring all the time, ‘This is the medicine.’ She kept on taking it as fast as she was able: and the result is, she is now as healthy and stout a woman of years as you can find.

The next I call your attention to is my

sister. Some two years ago, she was afflicted with boils: she had as many as a hundred and twenty-five boils at one time. We became alarmed, and called a physician: he reduced her system so low, that she could hardly stand, and yet the boils were no better. We then resorted to your Discovery, and by three bottles she is now hearty and well. W. R. ZINK."

ONE of the worst cases of Scrofula I ever saw was Mrs. Buck, wife of the well-known "Officer Buck" of Boston. The months of anguish and pain, and sleepless nights, which Mrs. Buck suffered while her husband acted as guardian of other men's property, in long and dark nights, I shall not try to describe. At last she went to the Massachusetts Hospital, where her case was pronounced hopeless, and amputation of the arm the only chance of saving her life. To this she could not consent until the lapse of several weeks. She finally made all the necessary family arrangements, and concluded to go to the hospital, and submit to amputation, as the only means of saving her life.

On the day before she should go in the hospital, her friends met to give her a *surprise-party*, and encourage her to go through with it; when one of the party inquired if she had tried Kennedy's Medical Discovery, to which she replied she never heard of it. At this, there was a universal exclamation of Try it, by all means. Every one in the room knew some one cured of some humor by a few bottles of it.

Next morning, instead of going to the hospital, she called to see me; and a more awful sight I never beheld. Her left arm, from her elbow to the lower joints, was one mass of putrified flesh. There were nineteen running sores of genuine Scrofula, ripe and in full operation.

After examining the arm, I looked in her face a few minutes. I never shall forget her look of despair, doubt, and anxiety. It seemed as if her very life depended on what I was to say.

Madam, I pledge *my word to cure you in six months*. She replied, "I wish to believe you; but I cannot. I have done so much, and have been so many times disappointed: it cannot be."

To make a long story short, she commenced taking the Discovery, and applying the Healing Ointment, and in four months was cured. The left arm was as strong and as perfect as the right.

### Cure of Neuralgia.

DEAR SIR,—I feel it my duty to write and let you know how much good your Medical Discovery has done for me. When I commenced taking it, I was reduced to a mere skeleton: I had no appetite to eat, and could get no rest without the constant use of morphine, and blisters on my neck and back. I was not free from blisters for three months before I commenced taking your Discovery. You can imagine what I suffered from them; but it was nothing to be compared with the pain of Neuralgia, and I cannot conceive of any thing that can be compared to it.

I had given up all hopes of ever getting any better, and longed to die and be out of my suffering; but my friends were very anxious that I should try your Discovery. I had not the least confidence in it; but, to please them, I bought a bottle to try it, and I thank God I did.

I commenced taking it in October last. I could not see that the first bottle did me any good: the second gave me appetite, and relieved the pain in my head. Before I had used the third bottle, I could rest without morphine, and discontinued the blisters. I am now able to sit up all day, and sleep all night; and my health is fast returning. MARY ANN DEXTER.

### Cure of Liver Complaint.

WATERTOWN, N.Y.

DR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,*—Although a stranger to you, yet allow me to thank you for the great good which I derived from the use of your Medical Discovery. I have been an invalid for fourteen years, and have spent hundreds of dollars in travelling and doctoring; but all to no avail. I am a resident of Michigan, and last spring came to this my native place to die among my friends. My complaint was a disease of the liver, which had been so long standing, that it affected my lungs, throat, heart, and kidneys. My friends prevailed on me to

try your Medical Discovery, as it is the cure-all in this part of the country. I commenced using it, without the slightest faith in it, only to please my friends. I could soon perceive an improvement in my health, and continued using it until I had taken eight bottles. I consider myself now a well man, which I attribute altogether to your valuable Medical Discovery.

F. A. WAKEFIELD.

### Cure of Liver Complaint.

VINAL HAVEN, Me.

My health for years past has been very poor, from the effect of Liver Complaint. I purchased three bottles of your Medical Discovery, and, after using it, found to my great satisfaction that my health was rapidly returning; and I am fully satisfied of its virtue, and cheerfully recommend the Medical Discovery to all who may be so unfortunate as to be afflicted with Liver Complaint. CHARLES W. WHITNEY.

### Cure of Dropsy.

NORTHUMBERLAND, N.H.

DR. KENNEDY,—I have been for the last five years afflicted with the Dropsy. During that time, I had the most skilful physicians in New England, and have been *tapped six times*, and was at last reduced so low I could not keep up more than two or three hours a day. Last fall, I commenced taking your Discovery; when I had taken three bottles, I was so smart, I rode on horseback twelve miles in one day; and I am now gaining fast, and I have no doubt a few more bottles will cure me.

LOUISA H. ROWE.

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., January, 1859.

DR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir*,—This may certify that I have been suffering with an affection of my Kidneys; and through the advice of your agent here, Wm. B. Orr, Druggist, I procured three bottles of your Medical Discovery, and it worked a perfect cure on me. I honestly and heartily recommend it to all who may be suffering from a diseased Liver, and feel assured, that, if taken according to directions, the same happy result will attend every case.

WM. WARRICK.

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., January, 1859.

DR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir*,—This is to certify that I have been suffering with a disease called Erysipelas; and by the advice of your agent, W. B. Orr, Druggist, I procured four bottles of your truly "Great Medical Discovery," and it has produced a radical cure in my case. And, believing that hundreds are dragging out a miserable existence from the effects of the same disease, I cheerfully recommend it to all who are similarly afflicted.

MARIA H. ANDERSON.

July 20, 1856.

To the joy and surprise of all, the sick man that I wrote to you about, who was supposed to be breathing his last, called to see me last Friday: his recovery is really a miracle; and, through God's blessing, he owes his life to your Medical Discovery. He requested me to write to you, and tell you the whole case. LYDIA DEXTER.

May 12, 1856.

There lives in this town a man who had a humor, and has been sick for years. Lately he has been confined to his bed, and at times on the verge of the grave: for a number of days past, he has been in dreadful distress. He had one physician, and then another. Last Friday, we heard he was not expected to live from one day to another. I advised my husband to leave his work, and carry him some of your Discovery\*. He refused to go at first, thinking it was foolish to try to raise a dead man. But when I put him in mind of how sick I was myself, and was cured by the Discovery, he went; and when he came near the house, oh! such groans, it was dreadful to hear. He gave him a spoonful: it eased him. In about fifteen minutes, he turned to his wife, and said, "This has touched the right spot." They gave him some two or three times through the day: that night he slept sound. In the morning, some of the neighbors came to see him, and were astonished to see him look so well. They asked my husband what he gave him, and he told them "Kennedy's Medical Discovery."

LYDIA DEXTER, Landiff, N.H.

### Cure of Internal Canker.

MR. KENNEDY, — It is with feelings of heartfelt joy that I now write you. When I commenced taking your medicine, I could not sit up. I had been confined to my bed for four months, with internal canker of the mouth and stomach. My friends had given me up, and were expecting my death from day to day, when a friend suggested your medicine; but every one said it was no use. But he had seen the effects of it, and got me a bottle. Would you believe it? from the first spoonful I took, I began to mend. I took six bottles, and I am now in perfect health, and look as well as I ever did. I recommend it to every one: yes, and for every disease too; for I believe it will cure every thing.

MARY E. BLOOD, *Groton, Mass.*

YOUR DISCOVERY saved my life. I was as helpless as an infant; I could not walk a step, with the Rheumatism. My limbs and feet were swollen badly; I had a large swelling on my neck. I have taken three bottles, and I can walk round quite smart, and can do a day's work. My case is the means of selling more than twenty bottles right around in my neighborhood.

GARDNER JACKSON, *Newport.*

### Cure of Rheumatism.

MR. KENNEDY, — I took your medicine for the last six months, and I am happy to say that I received great benefit from it. When I commenced it, I was so lame it was with the greatest difficulty that I could leave my chair, with the help of my hands, and not at all without my crutches; but I am now so well, that I have not used them since the present year commenced, and I go around even without a cane, — a thing I have not done for years. I have taken eight bottles, and I have recommended it among all my acquaintances: they consider my case a miracle. I am glad your M. D. can now be got in Cleveland, as they can always get it.

LUKE DEVOE, *Euclid, O.*

### Apoplexy and Rheumatism.

MR. KENNEDY. *Sir,* — One of our most estimable citizens lost the use of his left

side by Apoplexy; he was completely cured by your Discovery. Another of my customers was so badly afflicted with the Rheumatism, that he went on crutches: he has used several bottles of your Discovery, and is now perfectly well.

WM. RUST, *Druggist,*

*New Brunswick, N.J.*

### Catarrh.

I have used your Medical Discovery for Catarrh, which I have in its worst form; and it has done me more good than all the patent medicines I ever used.

Catarrh is one of the most disagreeable diseases that affects humanity, not only to the sufferer himself, but to those who come near him, on account of bad breath. I consider your Discovery one of the greatest of blessings. JAS. W. BRAGG, *Winchester.*

### Cure of Canker in the Mouth and Stomach.

MR. KENNEDY, — I wish to inform you of the cure your medicine has done to me. I was, for a number of years, troubled with Canker in the mouth and stomach. It came out in white festers on my tongue and on the inside of my mouth and throat; it looked like fresh beef, and I always had an inward fever and heat during these spells. I could not touch a thing with my tongue, my mouth was so inflamed; and a constant stream of hot water ran out of my mouth all the time; it seemed to me I was burning inside. For days and weeks I could eat nothing but slippery elm: it was the only thing my stomach could bear. I was as great an object of pity as you ever saw. A neighbor advised me to try your Discovery; and it is a Medical Discovery, indeed, so I can say, who have tried every humor remedy without any good. I took three bottles; and, would you believe it, after all my suffering, I am now perfectly clear of every symptom of my former complaint.

EUNICE A. HARRIS, *Norwich, Conn.*

### Cure of an Ulcerated Sore Leg.

MR. DONALD KENNEDY. *Sir,* — It is with pleasure that I order some more of your Medical Discovery, considering the blessed results I am daily receiving from

the good effects of your medicine, both of those who have had it, and also from those who are now using it.

I had one hard case here, of a woman who had been afflicted for twenty-five years with a Scrofula sore leg. She tried all the eminent physicians of this and other places; but all their skill was in vain. I persuaded her to try your Discovery: she did, and soon began to get better. She continued, until she took six bottles. Her leg is now perfectly well, which had five holes, running into the bone, and all running matter, and very painful. She now can work well, walk well, and sleep well, and is otherwise in perfect health.

Send some more along immediately. Imagine to yourself with what pleasure and confidence I can sell a medicine that will work such wonders, as all my customers speak of it in the highest terms.

H. H. SNIDER, *Tiffin City, O.*

#### Cure of Salt Rheum.

DR. KENNEDY, — Having lately witnessed the effect of your Discovery, I feel desirous of adding to that of many others in this region my testimony of its efficacy.

A young lady, a relative of mine, and an inmate of my family, had been for the last five years afflicted with Salt Rheum in her hands, which were at times exceedingly troublesome. She tried the various remedies recommended by physicians, which proved but a temporary relief: at length she had recourse to your Medical Discovery; and by the use of three bottles of it she is permanently cured.

D. L. BURNHAM, *Digby, N.S.*

#### Cure of an Ulcerated Sore Leg.

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — My brother was troubled with ulcerated sore legs; from the knee to the ankle was nothing but a mass of corruption. He tried every thing that could be heard of, all to no purpose. He had seen your circular, and the description of some suited his case; he resolved to try it, and from the time he began to take it his legs began to get better, and now, after taking eight bottles, they are perfectly cured, and he requested me to write to you to that effect. I am starting a drug-store

in this town, and I want the agency for this place. W. WILLIAMS, *Huntington.*

THE DISCOVERY works favorably: the swelling has entirely left my hands, and it is driving it out of my feet and legs. I am troubled with other complaints not mentioned in your circular, and it has helped me for that more than all the medicine I ever took.

WM. ARNOLD, *Woodstock, Conn.*

#### Cure of Jaundice.

This is to certify that I had the Jaundice very bad. I was quite disabled from doing any work; my skin was yellow; the white of my eyes, and my finger-nails, were the color of saffron. I was sleepy and heavy, with no appetite for food of any kind. One bottle of Mr. Kennedy's Discovery cured me. MARGARET MOORE, *Cambridge.*

MRS. HAYS of Brooklyn, N.Y., says the first she heard of Kennedy's Medical Discovery, a lady came to her store for a bottle of it. She replied that she did not have it, and never heard of it; that it must be something new. The lady was much disappointed, and told her she had been to a Mesmeric Physician to get medicine for a very bad Scrofulous humor, and that she recommended Kennedy's Medical Discovery as the only thing to cure her, and advised her to come to Mrs. Hays for it. "Not being a believer in mesmerism (says Mrs. Hays), yet I suggested to her to inquire of the mesmerizer where the medicine was made; for certainly, if she can tell what will cure you, she can tell you where to get it. She returned in a short time, stating that it was made in Roxbury, Mass., and urged me to write for some; which I did to please her, and not believing in any thing of the kind. I never was more surprised than I was when your medicine came. The lady was cured, and was the means of introducing it into Brooklyn."

A SPIRITUAL physician is recommending your Medical Discovery in every case of humor that comes to his notice; and in every case the Discovery gives satisfaction.

Yours truly, W. BRISTOL, *Utica.*

A CLAIRVOYANT physician, of great celebrity in Rochester, is recommending your Medical Discovery for humors. Your medicine has already received a great reputation in this vicinity.

WINSLOW & YOUNG, *Druggists,*  
Rochester.

[Extract of a Letter from Connecticut.]

ALLOW me to say that Andrew Jackson Davis called to see me when he was here in November. He came twice: the second time he asked me if I continued to take your medicine. I replied, yes. Said he, "That is what you must do; for the spirits were trying to cure me, and the spirits and Kennedy's Medical Discovery would eventually succeed," &c.

[From the Hartford Courant.]

**"Let him Laugh that Wins."**

Some New-York wit has exercised what seemed to him great smartness in getting up a burlesque of Mr. Kennedy's advertisement of his Medical Discovery. The piece below we clip from the New-York Times. It is evidently aimed at Mr. Kennedy, as any one can see by turning to the advertisement on our fourth page, headed "The Greatest Medical Discovery of the Age." Mr. Kennedy claims that he has discovered in one of our common pasture-weeds, a remedy that cures every kind of Humor in the system. He has tried it in thousands of cases, and never failed, except in two cases of "thunder humor." Now what thunder humor is, we do not happen to know; but we know that Kennedy's medicine is a "thundering good thing." It has been tried in our family with the most complete success. It is *the most efficient alterative* we ever saw tried. We give it freely to our own child, three years old. We take it ourselves, and we advise anybody that is in any way out of order, to read the advertisement, and take the medicine. We do not often go out of our way to give gratuitous advice in such matters; but when we see a wanton and unfounded attack made upon an article that we happen to know, from personal knowledge, to be the *very best thing out*, delicacy will not restrain our pen. The Discovery is selling freely in this vicinity. We know numerous persons

that have used or are using the medicine; and we have never yet heard a syllable of complaint. If anybody knows of its having done harm to any person using it, or of any reasonable ground of complaint that it does not accomplish what it professes to do, we will give them a chance to print their cases. Meanwhile, we admire Kennedy's ideas about diet, "Eat the best you can get, and enough of it." It is the true philosophy of life; and, if you use Kennedy, you have a good appetite, clear skin, and buoyant heart. So much for our side. Now let the New-York wag talk.

Read the following article, written by G. L. Reynolds, the well-known daguerrotypist, for the Sullivan County Whig:—

MESSRS. EDITORS,—Having given Mr. Kennedy's Medical Discovery a faithful trial, I believe it to be an almost infallible cure for all diseases of the blood. My sister was blind for near three years, with scrofulous sore eyes; and during this long period she suffered not only the loss of her sight, but an almost incessant excruciating pain; and, after resorting in vain to the best oculists in our country, I was induced to try one bottle of the above Discovery. The first bottle relieved her of all pain, and the second restored her sight so far as to tell the time of day by the watch. She is still using it, and her eyes are still growing stronger. My wife is also using it for the chronic Rheumatism, of many years' standing, with like beneficial results. By purifying the blood, it strikes at the root of most diseases.

G. L. REYNOLDS, *Wurtsborough, N.Y.*

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,*—It is with feelings of heartfelt gratitude that I write to you to inform you of the great cure your Discovery has performed on me. Fifteen years ago I was attacked with Inflammatory Rheumatism: I suffered most intensely. After several weeks, it settled in my left limb and ankle, causing a high state of inflammation, and the flesh quite raw and sore. I tried every ointment and liniment that was recommended, without the least relief, until all hope had died within me, when, fortunately, I heard of your Discovery

and Ointment. The effect of the Ointment was magical. Friends who see me are surprised, and say, "What will cure you will cure any one." They are so surprised at the benefit I received, that your Discovery is now a household word,

Your grateful friend,

ELIZABETH SHEPHERD, *Fulton, N.Y.*

### Cure of Rheumatism.

There is not a day passes, that we do not sell some of your Medical Discovery. While I am writing this, a man has come in for some. He says he has not lain on his side for ten years, until he took your Discovery. He is now entirely well. His complaint was Rheumatism. D. TIDBALL, *Druggist, Newcastle, Penn.*

### Cure of Running Sore Leg of Two Years' Standing.

[Extract of a Letter from Rochester.]

DR. KENNEDY. *Sir*,—I was recommended by Mr. Wheeler, a broker of this city, to try your Medical Discovery. He had been afflicted with a desperate sore on his leg for two years. He says the Discovery has performed a complete cure on him. WM. DUNN, *Rochester, N.Y.*

### Cure of Erysipelas in the Head.

This is to certify that I was troubled with Erysipelas in its worst form. My right shoulder, neck, and side of my head, frequently swelled, and were covered with small blisters of water and humor. I never knew what it was to be free of headache for a week at a time for over three years. I tried every remedy that was recommended, without any good, until I got Mr. Kennedy's Medical Discovery, by taking which I am quite cured.

MARGARET SPROULE, *Cambridge.*

### Cure of Humor in the Mouth and Chin.

MR. KENNEDY,—I wish to inform you what the wonderful Discovery has done on me. For obvious reasons, I forbear giving my name in full. I suffered so much from a humor of the mouth and chin, that I was

an object of pity to all who saw me. It would at times break out in large red blotches; at other times, it matured, and at every breaking would corrode the skin near it. I never was clear of a headache for four years. My ears up to my forehead felt bound like a hoop: when I bent my head, it seemed as if it would break.

One of my neighbors who got cured by your Medical Discovery recommended it so highly, I got two bottles of it, which made a complete cure. In using the first bottle, my headache left me. Several of my acquaintances, seeing the wonderful effect, tried it for the headache, and, I am happy to say, in every instance to their entire satisfaction.

JANE M——, *N. Brighton.*

### Cure of Salt Rheum of Twenty Years' Standing.

*Sir*,—Twenty years ago this fall, I had the Salt Rheum on my head. An old Indian doctor gave me an ointment, which, unfortunately, scattered it through my whole system, sometimes appearing in one place, sometimes in another, but mostly back of my knees. What I suffered during those long twenty years, it is no use telling: nobody would believe me if I did. I tried every medicine that was advertised to cure it, from that day to this. I spent money enough in medicine to buy a farm, without doing me the least good. This fall, the humor settled on my lungs, causing a distressing cough and shortness of breath. I heard your medicine so highly praised, I tried a bottle of it: the first week I certainly thought it would finish me. I felt as if there were ten thousand needles shooting and darting through my vitals, causing the most acute pain I ever endured,—so much so, that I gave up taking it. I mentioned it to a friend who had taken it. His reply was, "You go on with it. It acted just so with me: it is going to the root of your disease." I took his advice; and for five nights I could not lie in bed, but sat up coughing as if my very lungs would come up at every spasm; and such a quantity of corruption and humor as I raised, no mortal man ever saw. Sure enough, the medicine went to the root



of the disease, and found it too. To add to my other ails, I had the Rheumatism in my left knee so bad that I could not step. Take it altogether, I was a helpless case. My neighbors thought I could not live a month; but by two bottles of your Medical Discovery I am a new man. No sign of humor or rheumatism remains, and my lungs are as strong as they were twenty years ago. THOS. FELTON, *Cambridge*.

[Since I got Mr. Felton's certificate, I called upon him to see if his health continued as good as his certificate represents. His reply was, "Tell them I am as rugged as a bear."]

### Cure of a very bad Humor.

A young lady of Dedham (who is not willing to give her name) was afflicted with a humor in her whole system, from which at times she suffered much. She bought a bottle of the Medical Discovery, which drove the humor to the surface, completely covering her, at which she became quite alarmed, thinking her blood had been poisoned by some villanous compound of ivy or dogwood. In this state, she went to Dr. Whitney, and asked his opinion. He replied, with the candor and honesty for which he was so much admired, that, whatever the medicine was, it was evidently the best of its kind, and advised her to keep on with it by all means. An approval of the medicine from so distinguished a physician as Dr. Whitney was enough to establish it in Dedham. I sold over seventy bottles of it there in four weeks.

### The Blind restored to their Sight.

MR. KENNEDY, — How can I express my thanks to you, who have been the means, in the hands of the Almighty, of restoring my sight? You will, no doubt, remember my case. I was totally blind of one eye for over a year. First I got cold in my eyes; then came a humor; then a film, which covered the sight. There was a seton running on the back of my neck more than a year, trying to bring the humor that way: my head was shaved; I was leached, blistered, and cupped, until I could not stand. (I recollect well my first week's sickness

cost me eight dollars.) I was given up as incurable by the best oculists of Boston. By the use of your Discovery, in two months my eyes were quite clear of humor; and your eye-wash cleared the scales off the sight. Now I can see as well and as far as any man in Boston.

JOHN McCARTY, *Boston*.

### Cure of worst kind of Rheumatism.

MR. KENNEDY, — I suffered from the Rheumatism during last winter more than pen can write. I was bedridden all winter, suffering all tortures flesh can bear. It makes me shudder to think of my pains at every change of weather. I had, likewise, a humor settled in my left eye: I could not open it all winter. I tried all the liniments and hot-drops and sweating medicines to be got, without any benefit whatever. A happy day it was for me when I got your Discovery: I began to mend rapidly. I gained eleven pounds while using the first two bottles of it. I am now as well as ever, and sincerely recommend it to any one troubled with the Rheumatism.

JOSEPH EWELL, *Quincy*.

### Cure of Scrofula.

One of the most remarkable cases that has ever come under my observation, as regards the shortness of time which it took to perform a cure, is that of Miss Cordelia Murray, No. 1, Union Street, Roxbury. She had a running scrofulous sore on her hip for four months. The disease made sad havoc on her constitution, before it broke, causing swelling of her whole side, particularly the thigh and knee, and frequently as low as the ankle. At last she was brought so low she could not turn herself in bed, with every human indication that a few days would terminate her suffering. A friend wished her mother to try my Medical Discovery: another said, "You might as well think of bringing a dead man to life as think of saving her." However, a drowning man will catch at straws. I was sent for, and told her mother the medicine could do her no harm, and probably no good, as she was too far gone. She commenced taking it, and, contrary to all expectations, she began to gain rapidly: in fourteen days,

she was walking around the house, and gradually gaining, until her health is now perfectly restored.

—  
**MR. KENNEDY.** *Dear Sir,*—Nothing but a desire to benefit the afflicted induces me to give you the following statement of facts:—

My wife has been troubled with a Scrofulous affection for about twenty years. Her head, and, indeed, her whole body, was one mass of sores. I tried various remedies, and employed several physicians, but found no relief. She was obliged to confine herself to her own room for months, and gave up all hope of ever being restored to health and soundness. At last I persuaded her to try one bottle of your Discovery, and a change was apparent; another was obtained, and another, until she had taken five bottles. The sores are removed, and the skin has become smooth; and she is now able to attend to her domestic affairs.

The benefit she has received from your *valuable medicine* is beyond price. No, sir, money could not pay for it! Could you, or any other person, have seen her three years since, and then look upon her to-day, you would exclaim, "*Impossible!*" but so it is. I do not say it for the purpose of putting money in *your* pocket, but, as I said before, hoping that some poor afflicted one may, through your instrumentality, be healed.

If witnesses were necessary in this case, I might give you a multitude of them; but I think it altogether unnecessary. You can make such use of this statement as you think best. Very respectfully yours,

JASON HITCHCOCK, *Southington, Conn.*

#### Cure of Salt Rheum Fourteen Years' Standing.

**MR. KENNEDY.** *Sir,*—When my daughter was two years of age, she got the Salt Rheum on her head. We got an ointment for it, which, unfortunately, drove it in; and it settled in her eyes: she was at times almost blind. We tried every remedy, during fourteen years, which could be thought of. I often made up my mind not to buy any more. But to see her suffering at times was heart-rending: I must spend

another dollar. That was my mind when I tried your Medical Discovery. I had no faith in it whatever; but I must try something. And, oh! think of our joy to see an improvement before she used the first bottle. She is now perfectly clear of every symptom of humor; and, if her eyelashes grow again, we shall consider her as well as if nothing was ever the matter with her.

SETH CRANE, *Neponset.*

#### Cure of the Worst Case of Canker that was ever in Roxbury.

I had for years been troubled with Canker in my mouth and stomach, at times suffering the most excruciating pain,—I may say, all but death. Month after month I suffered more than tongue can tell. My throat was full of lumps, my tongue swelled, and the sides of my mouth one raw mass of sores. My physician frequently had to burn them off with lunar-caustic. If ever there was an object of pity, I was one.

I tried every remedy I ever heard of,—lotions, washes, patent medicines without number, without the least benefit. At last, when I never expected to get better, a neighbor of mine who was using your medicine advised me to try it. I took her advice, and, oh! think of my joy at last, after so many years of misery and suffering, to find an article of relief. I used three bottles of it; and I am now (thanks to the Giver of every good and perfect gift!) perfectly clear of every symptom of disease. I procured two bottles of the Discovery, and sent them to my sister, who was similarly afflicted, but not so bad as I was; and I am happy to say it worked like a charm. I sincerely recommend it to any one suffering from Canker.

MRS. CHESTER MORSE, *Roxbury.*

#### Cure of a Complaint of Many Years' Standing.

**MR. KENNEDY.** *Sir,*—I have for years been afflicted with a pain in the pit of my stomach, which frequently extended to my arms and left side, so much so, that I could not raise my hands to my head without the greatest pain. Often for a month together I could eat nothing in the forenoon. My tongue was coated with a brownish-yellow

coating, and I had a bad taste in my mouth. The pit of my stomach was so weak, that I could not bear my dress pinned for over two years. I had all kinds of medical advice. By some doctors, my complaint was said to be rheumatism, by others neuralgia in the stomach, by others consumption. I tried all the nostrums of the day, without the least benefit, until I took your Medical Discovery. Three bottles of it made me as well as I was twenty years ago.

MARTHA T. REYNOLDS, *Roxbury.*

### Cure of Dropsy of Many Years' Standing,

*Of a Gentleman 77 years of age.*

Mr. David Jones, of the Society of Shakers, Harvard, Mass., writes, —

I have been afflicted with Dropsy of the chest and bowels for many years. I tried a great many remedies, but got no help; was always told, that, at my age (I am now 77), nothing could cure me. At this time, some of the believers got your medicine, and it worked well, yea, it worked wonders. I tried it for my complaint. I took four bottles, and I am now quite cured: when I commenced it, I could not bend my body in the least. I feel very much interested in your brown study; and the reason you lost it is owing to the pride of your heart. Instead of humbling yourself, and being thankful for the gift of doing good to your fellow-creatures, your heart was filled with pride, consequently you lost the gift; but you have a great mission to fill yet. I consider, next to what all believers call Shakerism, your medicine is the greatest revelation the Almighty has made to man. I believe you relieved more suffering than any man the world has ever produced; but keep your heart in the right place, and do not be puffed up and lose the gift left, as you did the other one.

DAVID JONES.

### Rheumatism Cured.

MR. KENNEDY, — It affords me great pleasure to recommend to those who are unfortunately afflicted with Rheumatism, — that terrible scourge of our race, — your Medical Discovery. For several years, I have been a victim of that dreadful dis-

ease: my sufferings at times seemed greater than I could endure. I had used every preparation which I thought could possibly relieve me, but, like the woman spoken of in one of the Gospels, all the while had grown worse. When my attention was first called to your excellent remedy, I was lying helpless upon my bed, and had no faith in it as adapted to such a case as mine. But, though I despaired of receiving any benefit from its use, such was my anxiety to obtain some relief, that I was induced to try one bottle of it, strongly desiring that it might alleviate my distress, which, to my great joy, it did, after the lapse of a few weeks. When I had taken one bottle, I was able to leave my bed, and walk across the room. After taking the second, I was so far restored as to be able to take care of my family; my general health being far better than I had for a long period expected ever again to enjoy. I rejoice, not only that the Discovery has afforded me so much relief, but that it has proved equally efficacious in many other cases, and is destined to be an angel of mercy wherever a knowledge of its great medicinal virtues shall be possessed by the afflicted.

With my best wishes for your success in your efforts to alleviate human suffering,

I am, yours truly,

MRS. BARBERRY BLACK, *Medford, Mass.*

[There is one thing peculiarly beautiful in Mrs. Black's case. She told me she never put a spoonful of it to her mouth until she asked the Lord to bless it to her good. Supposing you say the same, there is no knowing what it may do for you.]

### Cure of a Chronic Scrofulous Humor.

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — I shall ever feel grateful that I have been made acquainted with your "Great Medical Discovery," and availed myself of an opportunity to test its remedial virtues. During a period of nine years, I had been a subject of much suffering, — the result of a Scrofulous humor in one of its worst forms. While my whole system was painfully affected, my ears, eyes, and neck were in the most pitiable condition; and upon my left arm was a running and painful sore for several months.

Having lost five dear sisters by consumption (induced by the same dreadful humor), I was painfully apprehensive that I should have to "shuffle off this mortal coil," and be consigned to cheerless companionship with those in the grave. But thanks to the Author of all our blessings, that a remedy for the ills with which I was afflicted was most opportunely brought within my reach! I have taken six bottles of your Discovery, which has produced the most salutary effect, eradicating from my system the terrible disease by which it had been subjected to the greatest suffering, and inducing such a state of health as I had not dared to hope I should ever enjoy.

I hope, kind sir, that your useful life may long be spared, and that many, like myself, will have occasion to testify of and express their gratitude for the beneficent effects of your valuable Discovery.

Your friend, and the friend of the afflicted,  
LUCINDA STEELE, *Cambridge.*

### Cure of Neuralgia of Twelve Years' Standing.

This is to certify that I have been afflicted with the most distressing of all complaints, the Neuralgia, for twelve long years. Oh, how it makes me shudder when I think of my sufferings during that long period! The long and sleepless nights, the aching pains, the throbbing of my head, are the thoughts which fill me with horror. I had tried every known remedy, the best medical advice: all that money could procure towards alleviating my distress was done. At last my case was given up as hopeless: my only relief was in taking opium. This has so far destroyed my nervous system as to cause involuntary twitching of the nerves. My mouth was drawn sideways by a contraction of the nerves. The least noise, slamming the door, or any similar noise, would set me all in a tremble: these were bad to bear, but how trifling when compared with the pains of the Neuralgia! I will not try to describe it: it is impossible for any one to do it.

The constant use of opium brought on a constipation of the bowels: they lost all life and action, and were almost quite tor-

pid; nothing but the most powerful cathartics in large doses would have any effect. I was frequently three weeks without any motion; and at no time for the past six years was it oftener than once in two weeks. Any one can form an opinion what derangement the human system must undergo during such long intervals. I have never been clear of a headache for the past six years, until I took Mr. Kennedy's medicine. The first bottle of it cured my headache, the second I could not see much improvement on my health; but on the third I began to mend rapidly. I took in all six bottles, and my health is perfectly restored, my bowels have recovered their natural strength; and I sincerely recommend it to the afflicted.

One word of advice to the young who are blessed with good constitutions and health, is, not to exert their strength to show what they can do. When I was eighteen, I could lift a barrel of flour, and carry it with ease from one part of the house to another. I always made a pride of my uncommon strength; and I have no doubt but that I hurt myself by overdoing.

MRS. SARAH ROBERTS, *Charlestown.*

[The case of Mrs. Roberts is the only one of Neuralgia in which I ever gave it: how it would operate on others, I can't say; but it seems to me that any thing that would cure such a case could cure any similar case. When I first saw her, she was the greatest object of pity I ever saw.]

[From the Superioress St. Vincent's Asylum,  
Boston.]

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — Permit me to return you my most sincere thanks for presenting to the Asylum your most valuable medicine. I have made use of it for scrofula, sore eyes, and for all the humors so prevalent among children of that class so neglected before entering the Asylum; and I have the pleasure of informing you that it has been attended by the most happy effects. I certainly deem your Discovery a great blessing to all persons afflicted with scrofula and other humors.  
STE. ANN ALEXIS SHORB.

[Extract of a Letter from the Lady Superior of St. Mary's Asylum, Hamilton, C.W.]

We have a great many sick among the orphans, with all kinds of sores; and some of our sisters have been very unwell for a long time past, — more particularly the one with the sore leg, which I wrote to you about. She has taken the Medical Discovery regularly; also the Ointment. I am happy to say she is much better, but not yet quite cured. I am confident she will get well if we only continue the medicine: she is on the last bottle which we have in the house.

One of our sisters has been a sufferer from Dropsy for many years; and it would do your heart good to see how much better she has got on in so short a time. I thought, or rather was afraid, that she was in a consumption; but she is now wonderfully improved.

I have to tell you something about your Hair Grower that will astonish you. We received a boy of ten or eleven years of age, who has been running about the streets for years. His mother is dead, and his father is a drunkard: so that this child was dreadfully neglected. Nobody could come near him on account of a sore head, and an offensive smell that came from it.

To make a long story short, we applied the Hair Grower to clean his head: after three applications, the head is perfectly well. I was so astonished at this, when the sister who has charge of the boy told me, that I could hardly believe it until she brought the boy to me. I have seen many sore heads before, but nothing like this: it had resisted all our skill. If you, dear sir, had been there, I think I would have thanked you on my knees.

May our God reward you! as I am certain he will; and may he spare you long to suffering humanity! of which I say, without flattery, you are one of the greatest benefactors.

I remain, yours truly,

M. M. MARTHE, *Superior.*

### Cure of Erysipelas of Six Years' Standing.

MR. KENNEDY, — If the blessings of an afflicted woman can be of any solace to

you, then you surely have mine. I never expected to see so many comfortable days as I have seen since I took your Discovery. I had the Erysipelas in its worst form. My left arm was swelled twice its usual size, and quite red with fine small blisters; some of them full of water, others full of humor. My feet and ankles were in the same way. I was not able to leave my chair for weeks together. I tried so many medicines, I lost faith in every thing. One of my friends sent me a bottle of your Medical Discovery, and before it was used I was better. I took three bottles; and not a vestige of my disease is to be seen. I feel now as well as at any time for ten years.

PHŒBE HOYT, *Boston.*

### Cure of the Worst Kind of Jaundice.

MR. KENNEDY, — I had used so many kinds of Jaundice Bitters without doing me the least good, I gave up all hope of ever getting cured, it had been in my system so long. When I began your Discovery, my eyes, my finger-nails, and my skin were as yellow as saffron; when I perspired, my shirt would be stained as if steeped in a dye-tub. I could neither work nor eat; always sleepy and heavy, particularly in the morning. My case had been called incurable by some of the ablest physicians of Boston. I tried your Medical Discovery as a last remedy; and as you told me the first week I should feel sick at the stomach, by drawing the impurities of the jaundice there, so it turned out. For a week I did not care whether I would live or die: from that I began rapidly to gain. By taking two bottles of it, my skin became as clear as it ever was.

GEO. M. BREWSTER, *Boston.*

### Case of Miss Sloman of Roxbury.

I state the case of Miss Sloman as being the worst that ever came under my observation, both as regards the virulence of the disease, and the remarkable power of the medicine in curing Scrofula in its very worst form. Miss Sloman's case at the commencement was similar to nine cases

out of ten; viz., little swellings or kernels about the size of peas formed on the glands of the neck, gradually forming one lump, swelling to an enormous size; one on each side of her neck, completely filling the space between the tip of the ear and the top of the shoulder: her head had so swelled she was not able to open her eyes; her voice entirely gone. She had been confined to her bed about three months, and attended by one of the most distinguished physicians of Boston, who did all that a quarter of a century of successful practice could suggest. Ripening poultices of every variety were applied to bring the swellings to a head, but without avail. In May, 1852, he pronounced she could not live a week. Her father then had recourse to my Medical Discovery; and in eleven days she was sitting up, and gradually getting better. I applied the Scattering Ointment on her neck. The swellings gradually disappeared; one side totally dispersed, the other was the size of a filbert. Her health so far improved as to be equal to that of people in general, with every appearance of a long life. In November, she unfortunately exposed herself, got her feet wet and chilled, which brought on a dysentery, of which she died after a few days' illness.

#### Cure of Ulcers on the Head.

MR. KENNEDY. *Sir*, — I know not how adequately to express my thanks for the fortunate circumstance of becoming acquainted with the effects of your medicine. At that time, I gave up all hopes of ever getting cured. My head was one mass of sores, and at times accompanied with severe headache. My hair came out, some spots quite bare. Whenever I bent my head, it seemed as if it would burst; then, when I raised it, I was quite giddy for a few minutes: my nerves were quite unstrung, as the saying is. Every slamming of the door, every sudden noise, would cause a trembling and a cold sweat to come over me. I took three bottles of your Medical Discovery, and am now as well as ever.

MRS. MARY CLARK, *Cambridge.*

I sell a good deal of it. I have the evi-

dence of my daughter, who was about blind with the Scrofula in her eyes. I spent more than a thousand dollars on her, without any good, until she took your Discovery. She is now on her ninth bottle, and is quite smart. Her eyes are not as they should be; but I have no doubt she will be well in a month or two. In our neighborhood, it is called almost a miracle.

EZRA IDE, *St. Johnsbury, Vt.*

MR. KENNEDY, — I have been troubled a year with a Scrofulous affection of the ankle joint and wrist, so bad I could not use either of them; and I could get no help until I began your Medical Discovery and Scattering Ointment. By the use of two bottles of the Discovery, and two bottles of Ointment, I am able to walk and use my wrist nearly as well as ever; and I am in hopes, by continuance, to recover entirely.

Since taking the Discovery, I feel like a new man all over. There are a great many in this town and adjoining towns, troubled with humor; and, seeing the effects of it on me, they are anxious to try it themselves. And, as there is none of it in town for sale, I should like to be an agent: although my business is farming, yet I should like to spend a part of my time in introducing a medicine which I think will do so much good.

W. D. SMITH, *West Henniker, N.H.*

Your Discovery sells remarkably, and always with good satisfaction. I have a case in this place of a man that has been troubled for several years past with a severe headache constantly. He commenced taking the Discovery last September; and his headache has entirely left him. And a humor broke out on his legs, that has now got well, and he feels himself a new man.

DAVID SCOTT, *Worcester.*

#### Cure of Epileptic Fits.

I am selling your medicine with the best satisfaction: I think I never sold any other with half the success. It has helped a number of infections which you do not enumerate: of these, one is a man that is

subject to Epileptic Fits. He has taken two or three bottles, and has not had a fit nor symptom of one since.

T. O. RICHARDSON, *Stoneham, Mass.*

The Discovery has got to be a favorite medicine in this vicinity, and is highly spoken of. Forward another lot as soon as possible.

JOHN H. LULL & Co., *Lockport, N.Y.*

MR. KENNEDY. *Sir*, — I was at Albany in the month of June, and purchased three bottles of your Medical Discovery for my wife, who has been out of health for a number of years. By the use of one bottle of it, she is cured of that deadly gone feeling at the pit of the stomach; and her humor is getting better: from present appearances, it will make a thorough cure. The medicine is wanted in New-York State. Quite a number have been to me for a vial full of it; but, as I could not get it nearer than Albany, I could not spare it.

E. G. RICE, *Fulton, N.Y.*

[From the Editor of the *Bloomingsburgh, N.Y., Whig.*]

DONALD KENNEDY, Esq., — I went to New York a few days since, and took with me an order from a gentleman of this place, for some of the Medical Discovery for some members of his family; the same medicine having been recommended by a sister who had lost her eyesight by some disease of the blood, and entirely restored by the use of your Medical Discovery, &c.

C. H. LEGGETT.

Of all the Medicine, your Discovery is the most wonderful. I have not been so well for three years as I am now. I told a woman of it who has been doctoring for twenty years, and she told me it did her more good than all the medicine she ever took.

GEO. W. CHASE,

*Andover Centre, N.H.*

DR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir*, — In hopes to be a benefit to my fellow-men, I write to you what your Discovery has done for me.

In December, 1839, I was taken with the Rheumatics; since then, I have suffered every thing but death for fourteen years. I have paid eight hundred dollars to different doctors, and never received any benefit, not even to the amount of *one* dollar.

Last June, I heard of your Discovery. I told a man I would try it. He said I had tried every thing, and there was no help for me, I was so old (being 78 years of age). He was a good doctor, — so called. I told him, "Nothing ventured, nothing made." I got one bottle of your Discovery. Before I got it, I heard the clock strike every hour for five nights. On the fourth night, I took one spoonful; and the next morning I was in no more pain, — no more than a child two years old, — and have been gaining ever since. I am now on my seventh bottle. When I first took any of it, I had to walk or hobble on two crutches: now I can and have gone over the floor without crutch or cane; but I am yet weak in my hips. I feel better every bottle I take.

If I had a sheet four feet square, it would not hold one-half I could write. Had I the voice to be heard from the north to the south pole, I would proclaim it as long as I live. If it cures *me*, it will any one in God's world. You could not believe how much better I feel. I am now almost a new man made out of an old one. There has been over two hundred people to see me since I began to recover: they are surprised. One man said, if all the men in Chatham had told him what his eyes now saw, he would not have believed them; but he must believe his own eyes.

ABRAHAM WEBB, *South Chatham, N.H.*

### Cure of a Humor of Fourteen Years' Standing.

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir*, — I address you with feelings of heartfelt gratitude for the wonderful cures your Medical Discovery has done on me. For fourteen long years I suffered with a humor of the most distressing kind. It would break out, covering my body with sores and blotches, out of which oozed thick yellow matter of the most offensive kind. I was an object of disgust to myself and everybody else. When it began to dry up a little, it would

irritate and smart. I often felt that I could tear the flesh off the bone. In this state I suffered during those long years, disconsolate, and desponding of relief. Every winter, the skin came off my face, and the hair of my eyebrows came out by the roots. My ears looked like roasted meat, dry and black as a crisp, so that I was an object of pity to all who knew me.

When I look back upon it, I can hardly think that I am myself. When your Discovery first came to Maine, I looked upon it as a humbug, and set myself against it: after a few months, I heard of so many wonderful cures by it, that I concluded to try once more. I could hardly believe it when I was getting better. You will excuse me when I tell you that I was the last to believe it,—it seemed so impossible that I could be cured. I took in all five bottles. I am now as well as I ever was in my life.

BENJAMIN SMITH, *Atkinson, Me.*

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,*—It is with feelings of heartfelt joy and pleasure that I write to you. I commenced taking your medicine last March. When beginning to take it, I could not bend my back scarcely any, nor had I been able to bend it for the last four years. I had to be very careful when I walked. If I stepped one mite out of place, or off my guard, it would throw me into the greatest agony, beyond endurance. If I was to tell what I had undergone with my head, to say nothing of my other sufferings, you would have called my ease hopeless. Now I will tell you how I have been since I began to take your medicine. I began to feel more strength and energy in eight weeks after I commenced taking your medicine; I could bend my back so as to pick up any thing off the floor; and for the last eight weeks I have done all my work, and I have ranged the fields and mountains. Now, when I look back, and see how, for the last few years, I had almost lost the use of my limbs, and could scarce make one natural motion, it seems a miracle to me, as it does to all around me.

ROXANA SHEARER,

*Hillsborough Bridge, N.H.*

### Remarkable Cure of Blindness.

It affords me great pleasure to bear public testimony to the beneficial effects of Dr. Kennedy's wonderful medicine. About two years ago, my little daughter was taken sick with the measles, and was so unfortunate as to catch a severe cold, which not only protracted and aggravated her disease, but resulted in ulceration of the eyes, and rendered her almost blind. I employed the best medical assistance which I could procure, and spared neither time nor expense to relieve her sufferings and her misfortunes; but the poor child grew worse and worse, and the last ray of hope of her recovery was almost extinguished, when I accidentally, perhaps I should say providentially, saw an advertisement announcing the remarkable discovery made by Dr. Kennedy. Determined to leave no plausible promise of cure untried, I forthwith purchased a bottle of the medicine, and, to my astonishment and delight, I at once discovered that it was accomplishing the object so earnestly desired.

From day to day, the bloody spots gradually disappeared; and, before she had taken half a bottle, she was able to walk about without being led. She had taken but a single bottle, when she was able to run about the yard, and read the finest print. She is now well enough to attend school; and I attribute the recovery of her eyesight to the medicine discovered by Dr. Kennedy.

This case is well known in Fitchburg; but, for the benefit of others elsewhere, I furnish this certificate of cure.

CHARLES GRAY, *Fitchburg.*

I commenced taking your medicine as soon as I received a box. Soon my leg was worse, and became so bad I could not sleep, but had to go on crutches. I had to stop taking it for a while; but, for a month past, it has gained every day. I have no doubt but it will perform a cure, although the sores have been on my leg thirty-six years, so that it will take a long time to cure. I am now comfortable, and that is something. Mrs. Day is likewise getting along finely; and all to whom I



sold the Discovery speak of it in the highest terms.

I am now on my third bottle, and improving fast. JONAS PARMENTER,  
*North Chester, Mass.*

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,*— This is to certify that my wife has been afflicted with a humor in her eyes for a number of years, and, when she got any cold in them, they would swell very bad, and sometimes gather and break; and in one or two instances she had to call a physician to have them lanced. Last summer, her eyes were so very weak and sore, she could do no housework for two months before we heard of your Medical Discovery, when I had but little faith in it, having tried so many things to little or no purpose. Her health was otherwise very poor, and I was afraid she would never enjoy good health again. I sent for a bottle of your Discovery, and, before that was all gone, she was much better. I got a second and third bottle, and her eyes are well, and her health otherwise improved. I have reason to be thankful beyond expression that my wife's health and sight are better.

J. NELSON BLAKE, *Castine, Me.*

My little boy is greatly improving; and I fully believe the Discovery will effect a thorough cure of his eyes. His eye-winkers, which had all fallen out, are beginning to present the appearance of a fine growth; and the inflammation and the humor are all gone.

REV. H. P. GUILFORD,  
*Danbury, Conn.*

### Cure of Eruption on the Head.

This is to certify that my three children were troubled with very bad scaly sores on the head, which ran in blotches over the whole of their heads, but worst around the ears. The oldest got it first, and it soon made its appearance on the others; and I am confident, three worse looking heads could not be found in Boston. I procured a bottle of Mr. Kennedy's Discovery, and a box of his Ointment. I am happy to say it has created a complete cure.

MRS. ANN DUNN, *Boston.*

### Cure of Boils and Constitutional Humor.

MR. KENNEDY. *Sir,*— You know the condition in which I was when I began your medicine. I don't think you ever saw a worse case. I had boils in regular crops, one after another in succession; frequently from two to three dozen at a time. By the use of your wonderful medicine, I got quite clear of them. I gave the medicine also to my children and I consider it to be true to its name,— the greatest medical discovery of the age.

JAS. CARVER, *Quincy.*

MR. KENNEDY, — I have been afflicted with Rheumatism in one of my hips for nearly four years. I tried all medicine that was recommended, besides applying to skilful physicians, but received no benefit until I heard of your medicine. I took one bottle, but did not receive much benefit from it; but, the second bottle I took, I received a great benefit from it, and I am now on my fourth bottle, and am happy to say that I am now nearly as well as ever I was.

MERRILL KYLE, *Five Islands.*

### Great Cure of Salt Rheum of nearly Forty Years' Standing, at Boston.

STATEMENT OF JAMES ROBINSON, ESQ.,

[The well-known Master Robinson of the Boston Schools.]

MR. KENNEDY, — In compliance with your request, I will endeavor to describe my sufferings, caused by a disease physicians call Salt Rheum. It commenced on the back of my left hand, in 1817, and soon after began to make its appearance on the inside of both hands, in the form of numerous small collections of watery matter, about the size of the head of a small pin, attended with an intolerable itching, accompanied with an inflammation, swelling, and severe pain. I had the advice of three or four of the physicians of Boston, at different times, and followed their directions, but found no permanent relief.

In the summer of 1819, I spent two weeks at a mineral spring in Shutesbury; next year,

I paid a quack twenty-five dollars for medicine which gave me no relief. In 1821 and 1822, my hands were very sore and painful, and at times so much swollen, that I was not able to make pens. One of my pupils, seeing my hands, said, "If you will call upon my uncle Simonds, he will tell you what cured his hands; and a similar application may cure yours." I called upon Mr. Simonds, and he directed me to get a quarter of a pound of saltpetre, put it into a junk bottle, and add to it one pint of vinegar, and wet my hands with the solution several times a day. — I followed his directions: the inflammation and swelling subsided; and in about three weeks my hands were healed. Applying the wash whenever there was any appearance of the disease prevented my hands from being very sore during a number of years; but, for the last eight or ten years, the wash has had but little good effect.

In 1850, I spent two weeks at a mineral spring in Clarendon, Vt., and found some relief. In the summer of 1853, I commenced taking your Medical Discovery, and, after taking three bottles, I again visited Clarendon Springs, and found a temporary relief. Soon after my return to Boston, the soreness of my hands increased; and I again commenced taking the Medical Discovery. After taking two or three bottles of it, my health was so much improved, that I gained several pounds in weight, and my hands were very much better. I continued taking the medicine until July last, when my hands were entirely free from any appearance of Salt Rheum, and have continued to be free from any appearance of it to the present time.

I have taken ten bottles of your Medical Discovery, and have reason to believe that it has effected a permanent cure. I would advise all who are afflicted with a similar complaint to take your great Medical Discovery, and to persevere until a permanent cure is effected. May you long live, and enjoy the pleasing satisfaction of alleviating the sufferings of thousands of the human family, is the sincere wish of your long-afflicted friend,

JAMES ROBINSON.

## Cure of Rheumatism.

STATEMENT OF J. MACOMBER, ESQ.,  
OF BOSTON.

Mr. J. Macomber, 98 Chambers Street, Boston, writes as follows: —

DR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — Having tested the extraordinary virtues of your medicine in the cure of most obstinate disease, I feel impelled to relate the particulars of my case, for the benefit of persons similarly afflicted. I am now fifty-five years old, and, previous to taking your medicine, had been afflicted with Rheumatism in its worst form, for twenty-five years. The disease was at first acute or inflammatory, but became at last a most obstinate chronic complaint, defying all attempts at cure. During the whole of the long period above mentioned, I was in more or less pain continually, and was confined to my bed, or obliged to hobble on crutches, at least six months in every year. The disease ran through my whole system, and, during the last five years, totally disabled me from business. I have spent more than five thousand dollars to physicians, and for medicines, without getting any benefit beyond a mere temporary relief. My disease baffled the skill of the best doctors, who gave up my case as a desperate one, the toughest they had ever met with in their practice, — in short, incurable.

About a year ago, I commenced taking your medicine, and have taken it daily ever since. When I began, I was so prostrated by the disease, that I could not stand up; but, within a fortnight after my first trial of the medicine, I experienced a sensible relief, both as respects pain and the use of my limbs. In nine or ten weeks, I could walk out and attend to business. I am now completely free from all soreness, stiffness, and pain, and have the perfect use of my limbs. My general health is excellent; and I have a good appetite and digestion. My recovery, of which I had about despaired, and which seems almost a miracle to me, I ascribe entirely to the use of your medicine, which I would not now be without for any money.

Hoping that other sufferers from Rheumatism, who have tried without benefit the

thousand and one quack nostrums of the day, may be persuaded by my statement to avail themselves of your remarkable Discovery, I send you this statement: the cases, I am sure, cannot be more seemingly hopeless than mine.

---

FROM ERASTUS H. DOOLITTLE, ESQ.

[Late of the Old Stage House, Elm Street, Boston.]

A sense of gratitude, combined with a desire to benefit those who are afflicted with the complaints which brought me to the verge of the grave, induces me to make a public statement of the facts connected with my case.

Some time during the month of September, 1853, I was attacked with a soreness of the throat, which was so painful, that I sought the advice of one of our most respectable physicians, who carefully examined the affected part, and pronounced it a common case of ulcerated sore throat, which he could cure in a short time. He attended me faithfully several weeks without doing me the least good; indeed, my system became more and more debilitated, and a cutaneous disease began to break out on my breast and arms. Through the advice of friends, I then consulted a famous "mesmeric medium" in this city. She very elaborately unfolded the nature of my disease, and pointed out its locality; but her advice and assistance afforded me no relief whatever.

I next visited a regular physician, whose wide reputation and usually successful practice gave me implicit confidence in his prescriptions. This eminent medical practitioner, after consultation with another distinguished physician, suggested to me that it would be necessary to perform a surgical operation in order to effect a sure and speedy remedy. I submitted to a most painful operation, and remained for three months under the treatment of these doctors. In the mean time, my case waxed worse and worse; and my body was almost covered with sores of the size of a pea, and of the color of a ripe cherry. These sores were so sensitive to the touch as to cause excruciating pain. My temples

throbbled and ached; and my eyes seemed ready to start from their sockets. I had pains in my bones, pains in my muscles, pains in my nerves, pains in all parts of my system. Having no appetite for food, no desire for the company of friends whom I dearly love, no wish to prosecute business, life to me was a burden; and its end was looked for as a termination to my sufferings.

While I was thus deeply afflicted, my physician frankly informed me that he did not understand my case, and could do no more for me. With the best intentions in the world, he gave me a letter of introduction to another physician, under whose treatment I remained for a long time without realizing the least help. Supposing my case a hopeless one, I resigned myself to my fate as well as I could, when a personal friend (Mr. Macomber, whose place of residence is Chambers Street) called to see me, and kindly furnished me with a simple statement of the facts in his case. He informed me that Dr. Kennedy's medicine had effected an almost miraculous cure in his case, and insisted upon it that I should discontinue doctoring, and try this famous remedy. I commenced taking that medicine on the fifth day of last April, and immediately began to experience its beneficial effects. My appetite was sharpened; my pains became less; the sores commenced healing; hope revived; and my strength returned so rapidly I was soon enabled to assume the management of my business. I am now so far recovered as to rise early in the morning, and remain at my business until night without any difficulty. Although but a mere shadow a few weeks since, I have now substance and strength enough to perform my daily duties. Under the blessing of God, I owe my recovery to the use of Dr. Kennedy's incomparable medicine.

ERASTUS H. DOOLITTLE,  
No. 116 Cambridge Street, Boston.

---

FROM REV. BRYAN MORSE.

[Addressed to the Editor of Zion's Herald.]

ADVICE TO THE SUFFERING.

BROTHER WISE, — I wish, by your permission, to occupy a little space in "The

Zion's Herald," for the benefit of suffering humanity. The subject which I wish to present to your numerous readers is one of vital importance. It is in relation to a remedy I think providentially discovered (others may say accidentally), which seems to me to be a sovereign balm for every disease resulting from an impure state of the blood; and I believe it is generally admitted, that all diseases that are not occasioned by accident have their origin in that life-sustaining fluid. I have always maintained a strong aversion to reading any of the ten thousand cure-alls that have been published to the wide world, believing that the owner and the printer were the only gainers by the process; and I do not think I should have read the one I wish now to notice, if it had not been for its singular heading; to wit, "The Greatest Medical Discovery of the Age." I soon learned that a warrant was pledged that a certain number of bottles would cure all those diseases that are consequent on a bad state of the blood; and having been a sufferer so long under the painful and distressing calamity, which is always attended with extreme itching, followed by the most excruciating smarting, I concluded to make a visit to Mr. Donald Kennedy, 120 Warren Street, Roxbury, Mass., and use what little skill I might have in detecting any unworthy motive that might have induced him to make such a publication; and I found him (as he appeared to me) to be a perfectly unpretending man, manifesting no wish, that I could discover, to deceive the public, and that his certificates were generally sent to him from the towns in the vicinity of his residence. I received of him seven bottles of what he calls his Discovery, and have taken four bottles, and am astonishingly improved in my general health. The Salt Rheum, which was inherited, and consequently constitutional, and has rendered me sickly all my days, up to seventy years of age, is so far overcome by this medicine, that I cannot doubt that my blood may be perfectly purified by its use. My humor was so exceedingly troublesome last fall, that I was obliged to swathe both my legs with cloths wrung out in cold water, and also lay six or eight thicknesses

on my stomach when I went to bed, to get any rest at all. My legs were so swollen, and my cough so distressing, that I could neither sleep nor rest. Before I had taken one bottle, my cough subsided, my appetite and strength increased; and I am in better health than I have been for many years.

After having commenced the use of this medicine, I called on Dr. Root, at the Marlborough Hotel; and he told me that I had three or four cancers on my face; and I expected to hear him say that I must adopt his practice, or I should fail of a cure: but, to my surprise, he magnanimously told me that I was doing well under the present treatment of my case.

I have been somewhat lengthy and circumstantial in this description of my case; but it is with a view to induce those who are suffering to try this medicine. This certificate is voluntarily offered, without solicitation from Mr. Kennedy.

In conclusion, I do not believe there is any impurity of the blood that will remain if proper attention is paid to the directions given on the bottles.

---

FROM REV. GEORGE W. BIXBY.

[*Pastor of the Baptist Church, North Fairfax, Vt.*]

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — Having been troubled for eight or ten years with a disease brought on by singing and speaking, and having tried many remedies without effect, I had almost despaired of relief. The first of May last, I left my field of labor, thinking that I would visit my friends in New Hampshire and Vermont, hoping that the journey, and respite from labor, would be beneficial to my throat and general health; but I was disappointed, for my throat became very much inflamed, so that with great difficulty I could eat or speak. A friend, who had been using your Medical Discovery with decided benefit, urged me to try the medicine. I did so; and, to my great satisfaction, I found it not only relieved my throat, but it improved my general health: my throat troubled me but very little, and my health is better than it has been for several years. I have taken a little more than one bottle; and,

judging from the past, I think one or two bottles will restore me to perfect health.

### Cure of Scrofula on the Face.

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,*—I think it my duty to you and to my suffering fellow-creatures, to make known the wonderful effects of your medicine, hoping that all who are troubled with humor will give it a fair trial. I am confident from my own experience, and seeing the effect of it on others, that a fair trial is all that is required to satisfy any one of its great curative powers.

I had the Scrofulous humor on my face for twenty-five years, which was at times as raw and red as a piece of beef: at other times it would maturate, raise white blotches, and then peel off; and the water that at times discharged would cause another sore. How I suffered, and what I suffered, you could not believe unless you saw it. From year to year, I tried every thing that came along. I used to think if I let any thing slip, that was the very thing that would cure me, but all to no purpose. At the urgent request of a friend, I tried your Medical Discovery. The first bottle drove the humor out. If I was bad before, I was now ten times worse; but it was the first medicine that had any effect whatever. Nothing could start it before, good or bad. I reasoned to myself, that, if it kept on coming out, I would yet get well. So it has proved. I took six bottles of it. My face is now quite smooth. I can shave without the least inconvenience,—a thing I have not done before for twenty-five years. Numbers have taken it on seeing the effects of it in my case; and I am happy to say they all speak of it in the highest terms.

AZARELA HARRIS, *Providence, R.I.*

### A Terrible Humor,

*Causing the nails of the fingers to drop off, removed by Kennedy's Medical Discovery.*

*Dear Sir,*—I have been terribly scourged every year with a humor in my hands, which made me feel exceedingly uncomfortable, and caused the nails of my fingers to fall off. The joints cracked badly; and my hands were so completely covered with

the humor as to give the appearance of one great sore. At times, I suffered more than I can express. I applied a great variety of preparations which were reputed to be good for such a case as mine, but was not relieved by any of them. At length, I commenced taking your Medical Discovery, a few bottles of which entirely removed the dreadful disease which so long made my life a burden; and I am now enjoying good health. I cannot entertain any other than the most favorable opinion of a medicine from which I have derived so much benefit; and I hope that all who are similarly afflicted will make use of it with equal success.

Yours truly,

EDWARD LANG, *Roxbury.*

### A Running Sore upon the Leg,

*Which has long subjected the victim to intense suffering, cured by the Medical Discovery.*

MR. KENNEDY,—I was for a long time afflicted with a running sore upon one of my legs, the skin upon which became black and blue; and the flesh, in several places, was eaten through to the bone. I have suffered every thing from running sores all round the leg, which caused my ankle to swell so that I could not walk, and quite unfitted me to perform any kind of labor. I tried every thing which I thought might relieve me, but derived no benefit from any thing which I applied, till I commenced taking your Medical Discovery, which, I am happy to say, has entirely cured me. I feel as if it would be impossible to say too much in favor of your excellent medicine; and it will always afford me pleasure to recommend it, particularly to those who may be suffering from any disease like that of which I have been so effectually relieved by its powerful agency.

Yours respectfully,

EPHRAIM BRODBENT, *Roxbury.*

MR. KENNEDY. *Respected Sir,*—It is now two years since I began to use your Discovery; and, feeling that my health has been greatly improved by the use of it, I deem it my duty to inform you how much

I prize your valuable medicine. I had for a number of years been troubled with the Erysipelas, and had used a great many advertised medicines without success. I had almost despaired of ever recovering from the disease, when one day a friend gave me one of your circulars; and, after perusing it, I resolved to embrace the first opportunity I had in purchasing two bottles of the medicine. After using it, I found my health fast improving; and since then I have continued the use of it in my family. It gives me great pleasure to certify to this; and it is my impression that through your instrumentality a great deal of human suffering will be relieved.

I am, dear sir, very respectfully yours,

JOSEPH T. HART, *Charlestown.*

MR. DONALD KENNEDY. *Respected Sir,*—The first impulse of a man who has been restored from sickness to perfect health is gratitude to the hand that has healed him. Although personally you are unknown to me, and this correspondence is unsolicited by you, still I feel it a duty I owe to you as the discoverer of the Medical Discovery, and to the public generally, to make a fair statement of my experience in the use of your valuable medicine.

At the commencement of the present year, and, indeed, for some months previous, a terrible Scrofulous humor broke out upon my neck: large swellings ensued, so that my neck and face presented an even surface. I was then at Lowell, Mass., and, hearing of your Medical Discovery, I purchased a bottle. I felt that it was benefiting me, and, upon using a second bottle, found myself perfectly cured. All I can say is, that whereas I was sick now I am well.

In all gratitude I remain, yours truly,

J. L. CLARK, 23 *Lowell St., Boston.*

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,*—Last summer I applied to you, by letter, for advice respecting lumps or bunches, of a Scrofulous nature, on the left side of my wife's neck, which had been two years coming, and had grown to the size of an English walnut. Different physicians had attended

her, but without any success of abating or removing, up to the time I applied to you.

You very promptly sent her six bottles of your very valuable Medical Discovery; and I feel proud and overjoyed, in conjunction with her, to inform you that the above mentioned Scrofula bunches are reduced to the size of a pea, and we feel no hesitation in saying that one bottle more will effect a total disappearance of them.

Previous to my wife's commencing your Great Discovery, she was troubled with loss of appetite, loss of flesh, and about every ten or fourteen days was attacked by violent spasmodic fits, which rendered her system extremely weak and helpless, causing a general debility; and I do think, but for the use of your inestimable medicine, she would not be alive at this time. She now enjoys a good appetite, has regained her flesh, and is healthy and well, for which we want language to express our grateful feelings.

JOHN N. BERNARD, }  
ANNE BERNARD, } *Lancaster, Mass.*

*Dear Sir,*—When I first received your medicine, the manner in which it was introduced to the public, by means of *warranted* advertisements, led me to look upon it as one of many catchpenny nostrums of the day; and I was very cautious respecting recommending it, and indeed informed all who inquired about it that they must take the word of the proprietor's advertisement, and not mine, for authority respecting its virtues, adding that I did not *warrant* it to cure in any one instance. This is my rule as regards all new medicines whose qualities have not been tested. I am, however, happy to state at present, that, so far as I can learn, it has given universal satisfaction, and that public confidence in it is daily increasing. Many individuals whose standing is unimpeachable have given me permission to refer any inquirers respecting it to them; and in no case, although large quantities of it are in Fall River, has any complaint of its lack of efficacy been made to me since the first bottle was disposed of.

W. G. BENNETT, *Fall River.*

### Chronic Rheumatism, of a Bad Type, removed by Five Bottles of the Discovery.

*Dear Sir,*—I have long been the victim of a rheumatic affection, which so affected my joints as to render me almost helpless, and unfit me to perform any kind of labor. I used a great many kinds of medicine, in the vain hope of getting relief, but derived no benefit from any of them. The disease had obtained such a hold of my system, that it seemed impossible to remove it; and I feared that it would continue to afflict me so long as life remained. But, fortunately for me, I heard of your excellent medicine, and was induced to try it. I have taken five bottles, which, I am happy to inform you, has entirely cured me; and I am on my feet again, enjoying better health than I dared a few months ago even to hope for. My case has been a very bad one, my sufferings such as I am not able to describe; and I feel that a medicine which could restore such a diseased body as mine was to its present soundness and health deserves the confidence of those who may be similarly afflicted, and its discoverer an expression of their gratitude.

Yours sincerely,

JOHN CHELESY, *Concord, N.H.*

### A Running Sore upon the Leg

*For sixteen years, to heal which more than two thousand dollars had been expended, cured by eight bottles of the Discovery.*

*Dear Sir,*—When I first saw your medicine announced, the very advertisement struck me favorably. I had been afflicted by a running sore upon the leg for sixteen years, and had expended more than two thousand dollars to procure something which would heal it, but without success. When I first saw the Discovery at Deacon Gault's, I made some inquiries respecting it; to which he replied, "It is a new thing, and I cannot say any thing about it." He said he had other things which were called good for humors. I told him I had tried every thing that had ever been brought into Concord, without receiving any benefit; and that, somehow or other, from the reading of your advertisement, I believed

your medicine to be a good article. It reads honest. I bought one bottle,—and the first bottle that was sold in Concord. I commenced taking it, and was soon convinced that it was something *good* or *bad*, and not mere slops, such as I had been taking. It soon seemed as if there was a bark-mill in full operation in my system. I told my friends, that, "live or die, this was *the* article for me," and that it would be the medicine of the day. They saw my sufferings, and advised me to give it up; but I persevered until I had taken eight bottles, when I was cured.

I have been the means of selling more than a thousand bottles in Concord, as everybody knew me, and knew how much I had suffered. Your medicine has had a greater sale in Concord than any thing ever known here; and I have offered to bet a barrel of flour against a single cracker, that three men could not be met, following each other in succession, one of whom had not used it.

Allow me to say, in conclusion, that it is not possible for me to use language which will convey to others any adequate idea of my sufferings till I began to take the Discovery, or of the great cure which has been wrought in my case by its healing agency.

Yours gratefully,

JOHN W. WILKINS, *Concord, N.H.*

### Wonderful Cure of Salt Rheum and Erysipelas.

[Case of Mr. Osborne.]

One of the most remarkable cases of Salt Rheum I ever knew was that of Mr. Osborne of Waltham. He called to see me in November, 1856, and asked how many bottles it would take to cure him of Salt Rheum. His case appeared quite trifling: I told him three or four bottles. He replied, that he had already taken ten without the least benefit. I was surprised at this, and told him I would give him ten more for nothing, and ten more after that; that I never was beat on Salt Rheum, and would not be. He commenced it again, and, when on his sixteenth bottle, he called to see me,—and such a looking sight! I am used to humors of all kinds. I take

as much pleasure in examining cases of bad humors as a botanist does a rare and beautiful flower, and yet I never saw such a sight as Mr. Osborne was. He said this was nothing to what it had been. On his twelfth bottle it broke out; on the thirteenth it was impossible to describe it; now, on his sixteenth, his whole body had turned as near the color of liver as any thing, full of scabs and running sores, and a few spots of clear skin looked as shining as polished marble.

In his left side, embedded in the flesh, was something that looked like a black snake, ten or twelve feet long, coiled around in every direction: you could scrape the scales from it as you could off a fish; in fact, his whole side was nothing but scales. I asked his opinion what it could be. *Well, he rather guessed it was a snake working his way out.* I questioned him as to his former state of health: he replied that he was twenty-three years old, and never recollected of a well day until he got on the twelfth bottle, yet no one ever suspected the cause: he was called lazy and shiftless and good for nothing, but they could not call him that now: he could do as much work as any man of his *weight* in Waltham.

The above is the worst case of Salt Rheum and Erysipelas I ever saw. Since he gave me the above statement, I hear that he is in perfect health. I tell you of his case to let you know what perseverance can do: you must never give up, even if the number specified on the bill does not cure you.

DONALD KENNEDY. *Dear Friend,*—Although a stranger to thee, I feel that I may address thee, having been greatly benefited by the use of thy Medical Discovery. I had long been troubled with a Canker in the mouth and stomach, and, reading thy advertisement in a Boston paper, I wrote to a druggist in Fall River, and procured some. I had taken about two-thirds of a bottle, when I found myself entirely cured of the Canker: consequently, the object of taking it being accomplished, I discontinued the use of it.

I had for many years been afflicted with

retention of urine,—a difficulty which had gradually increased, and become most distressing to me, but for which I supposed there was no remedy, as I attributed it to the infirmities of old age, being now in my seventy-third year. I therefore had never thought of seeking any remedy for this affliction; but, not long after I began taking your medicine, my mind was drawn to the fact that I was not troubled with this difficulty; but still I supposed it only a temporary suspension of the evil. But now, after four months, I find myself entirely free from that troublesome affliction, and I can attribute the cure to no other than the use of thy Medical Discovery; and so great is the relief to me, that I recommended it to our physician in Perth Amboy.

ARNOLD BUFFUM,

*Perth Amboy, N.J.*

[The above is only one out of a great number of certificates which I receive for the cure of the same affliction.]

### Cure of Dropsy.

Mrs. Newhall, No. 32, Baumbury Street, Charlestown, was cured of a severe Dropsy of several years' standing, by five bottles of Medical Discovery.

### Blind restored to Sight.

A lady of Rockport, Mass., who was blind for three years, caused by humor in the eyes, is perfectly cured by the use of your Medical Discovery.

J. O. LANGLEY.

### Cure of Scrofula Lumps on the Neck.

I was troubled with Scrofula lumps on my neck for fourteen years, and had despaired of having them cured, as all the doctors said there was no cure for me. About a year ago, having heard of your Medical Discovery, I commenced using it, and applying your Scattering Ointment: the swelling has now entirely disappeared, and I am perfectly clear of any ailment.

JAMES W. HUGGINS,

*Milton, Mass.*



### A Whole Family Cured.

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — I shall ever feel grateful that I have been made acquainted with your Medical Discovery. During a period of years I had been a subject of much suffering in the form of Piles and bad humor in the worst form. My whole system was painfully affected: my ears, eyes, and neck were in a most pitiable condition, and, having tried a great many remedies, I received no benefit until I tried your Discovery. I am entirely cured by the use of a few bottles.

My wife was badly afflicted with palpitation of the heart, and general debility. My daughter also was troubled the same way; and by the use of your Discovery both are entirely cured.

I rejoice to think the Discovery has afforded so much relief in my family. It is destined to be an angel of mercy wherever a knowledge of its great medicinal virtues shall be possessed by the afflicted. With my best wishes for your success in your efforts to alleviate human suffering,

ABRAHAM DUNCAN,  
*Sharon, Ohio.*

### Cure of Ulcerated Sore Leg.

Your medicine has performed an extraordinary cure of ulcerated sore leg of many years' standing, that has baffled the skill of the best physicians in this section of the country.

You will send a supply immediately, as the demand is great.

HAUFFMAN & NELSON, *Druggists,*  
*Urbana, Ohio.*

### Cure of Pruritus.

Mrs. Frank, of Fruit Street, Boston, was for fourteen years troubled with universal inflammation of the skin, accompanied with hard red pimples and an intense itching, which rendered her life miserable. She was perfectly cured by eight bottles of Discovery.

### Cure of Humor on the Head.

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — I feel as if I ought to tell you what your medicine has

done for me. I have the witness, both inward and outward, that it has done me more good than all the medicine I ever took. My health is now of the first order. All languid feelings, pains, and aches have fled away, and I have an uncommon clearness of feeling that I never felt before during all my past life.

In regard to my outward appearance, my head, which was most affected with this dry scaly humor, there came out very thick, small sore pimples, that discharged matter, and on different parts of my body came out many of those awful sores that Job was troubled with so much.

I have now taken twenty-four bottles of your Discovery. What I bought and paid for can be easily counted; but the great good it has done me can never be estimated. I have been doctored by the physicians in the country without any benefit, as I stated to you in my letter last June, and nothing has ever done me any good until I took your Discovery.

DAVID DEARBORN,  
*North Hampton, N.H.*

### Cure of Erysipelas.

A lady living about a mile from here, who has been troubled for many years with the Erysipelas, — swelled limbs, bad sores, scales and scabs on her leg, — has been entirely cured by the use of seven bottles of your Discovery.

Yours truly,  
N. H. PARMLEE, *Pittsford, Vt.*

### Cure of Ulcerated Sore Leg of Seven Years' Standing.

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — About seven years ago, my mother by accident knocked the skin off of the fore part of her leg, below the knee. This, though at first very trifling, became very sore and painful, — so much so, that she was compelled to lay by. After the trial of almost every thing that could be thought of, the sore healed up, but only to break again worse than ever. It continued to break and heal for about five years, during which time every thing that came along was tried without any benefit. At last, one of your circulars

was thrown into the door; and, after looking over it, I persuaded my mother to try it, which she did, and with *perfect success*; and now she is as well as ever she was, and after the lapse of two years nothing of the kind re-appeared; for the which we return to you our best thanks.

Yours, DONALD McCATHRAN,  
*Navy Yard, Washington.*

Your Medical Discovery is performing a great many wonderful cures in this section. We know of a cure performed, which, considering the circumstances, is more remarkable than anything you publish in your circular. The case was so hopeless, that the man had given up all expectations of living, and even gone so far as to give directions for his funeral.

KENNY & GREENE, *Rome, N.Y.*

### Cure of Neuralgia in the Stomach.

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — I feel it my duty to inform you of the wonderful effect your Discovery has had in my family. Last summer, my wife was taken with the Neuralgia in the stomach, so bad that a great many times we thought she was dying. It came on at first very light, so that a little Elixir of Paregoric would still it; but it grew worse, and we became alarmed. Her physician gave her ether: that would quiet it for a few hours, then her suffering and pains were intense, and her strength failed rapidly; and the disease gained on her so that the ether had no effect.

When she had these spells (and that was every day), we had to hold her hands to keep her from biting her own flesh. She would tear the bed-clothes, and scream so that we could hear her a hundred rods from the house, when doors and windows were all closed. I proposed to the doctor that she should try your Medical Discovery, to which he consented. She had one of those bad spells that day, after taking the medicine: from that hour her sufferings were less and less. She has taken seven bottles, and it has been three months since she took the last, and she is now as well as ever. The doctor says it was the

Medical Discovery that cured her, and not him. I remain, EDW. P. MOORE,

*Londonderry, N.H.*

### Cure of Ulcerated Sore Leg.

MR. KENNEDY. *Sir,* — One of my neighbors has been using your Discovery to cure a child of a bad leg, with a running sore of several years' standing, which the doctor thought incurable; and amputation was regarded as the only ultimate relief. The child, though scarce able to walk before, now runs at play apparently well. The change is attributed to your Medical Discovery. The ankle had become crooked, as well as troublesome from discharges: it is not only healed, but is gaining its proper shape. Yours, W. W. ATWATER,

*Burlington, Vt.*

### Another.

*Dear Sir,* — We have much pleasure in informing you of the benefits received by the little orphans in our charge from your valuable Discovery. One in particular suffered for a length of time with a very sore leg: we were afraid amputation would be necessary. We feel much pleasure in informing you that he is now perfectly well.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH,

*Hamilton, C.W.*

### Cure of a Humor in the Face of twenty-eight Years' Standing.

During twenty-eight years, I was afflicted with a humor on my face and head, by some called Salt Rheum, by some Scurvy, and others dry Scrofula. I spent all the earnings of my life trying to cure it. I never got any thing to do me the least good until I took your Discovery. I have taken seven bottles, and am now perfectly cured.

LYDIA HODGEN, *Boston, Mass.*

### Cure of Chronic Rheumatism.

Mrs. Paulena Williams of Haverhill, Mass., was for fifteen years afflicted with Rheumatism: ten out of the fifteen she was entirely helpless, not even able to rise out of her chair without assistance. Her

limbs were swollen, and joints stiff. She had applied to all the physicians within her reach, without any benefit. She concludes her letter by saying, "I have taken sixteen bottles of it, and am now as well as any woman of my age (fifty-seven). The pains and swellings of my limbs have disappeared. I can walk as well as I ever could in my life."

### Cure of Pimples on the Face.

Trusting to the virtues of your Discovery, my sister has taken it for the cure of black heads, and followed the directions, inwardly and outwardly, as required. By the frightful appearance the bathing of her face with it has produced, she has discontinued applying it outwardly. Her face being completely masked by a mass of corrupted matter, it is for a removal of this I ask your advice. J. C. SALEM, *Mass.*

*Answer.* — That is the effect intended by applying the medicine outwardly. She will discontinue applying it until the face becomes perfectly smooth; then, if there are any black heads left, she will bathe her face with it again, and follow it until the face becomes smooth.

### Testimony of a Druggist.

Your medicine has performed the most remarkable cures in the annals of medicine, and is considered the best article ever introduced into this section of the country.

S. B. WEST,

*Susquehanna Depot, N. Y.*

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — I am now going to inform you of my trouble, of forty years' standing. It first made its appearance on my mouth, in small spots; it then extended itself over all my body, always getting worse, until at last I was a perfect victim. I applied to many physicians in the north of Scotland, which availed me nothing. I came to this country twenty-two years ago, and I had applied to physicians here for some years, all to no purpose. I then heard of your medicine, and used some bottles of it. At first I found but very little good in them, as I was get-

ting but a few bottles now and then, until last summer I got twenty bottles of it at once: altogether I drank forty-five of them. My joints seemed as if they were tied together, so that it was with great difficulty that I could move them. I have now the pleasure, thank God! to inform you that they are as supple as they were when I was thirty years of age. I did not get as much ease for twenty years as I have since October last, through your medicine and ointment: the medicine has cleared it out of my blood, and the ointment has cleaned my skin.

The neighbors can now witness my change. I have now the pleasure to inform you that I am perfectly cured, thank God! and return you my most sincere thanks for your valuable medicine.

JOHN FRASER.

[From the Boston Daily Ledger.]

### The Blind receive their Sight

BY USING KENNEDY'S MEDICAL DISCOVERY.

Blind! with what horror does this word strike upon the ear, bringing before the eye one of the greatest calamities that "flesh is heir to." The very idea of a human creature being deprived of witnessing the beautiful light of heaven, denied the contemplation of the works of Nature, and forbidden to look upon the face of friends and kindred, is distressing. With what joy, then, should we hail a remedy, that, as will be seen by what follows, restores sight to those who are blind!

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, residing at No. 170, Federal Street, Boston, are the parents of an interesting little girl, some twelve years of age, whose remarkable cure from blindness is such as cannot fail to interest all who have friends or relations situated as was the subject of this little sketch.

At the age of ten months, *little Margaret* (as she was called) was taken by her parents to the office of the city physician, at City Hall, Boston, where she was vaccinated by this personage, as was then customary. A short time after the operation had been performed, the eyes of the child began to be much inflamed; and, from the complaints of the little sufferer, it was

plain to see that she was fast losing her eyesight. In her childlike simplicity, she would call upon her mother *to take the sand out of her eyes.*

As time elapsed, the complaint increased; and discharges of a matter and humorous character proceeded from the eyes. The afflicted parents, scarcely knowing where to turn, applied to Dr. Cutter, the clairvoyant, for advice in the matter. We do not pretend to argue upon or discuss the science upon which he bases his conclusions, but would simply state, that he gave as *his* opinion, that the trouble arose from the use of impure vaccine matter in the process of vaccination.

Physician after physician was applied to, each having his own method of practice, but each, in his turn, being unable to give relief, or restore the sight of the little blind girl. It was pitiable to see the little creature tottering about the room, thus deprived of sight, and sometimes falling over the body of a favorite Newfoundland dog as he lay stretched upon the carpet.

It was finally decided to apply to the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary. This was accordingly done; and, after a careful examination of the case by the doctors connected with that establishment, it was decided by them, that, "*although she might be temporarily relieved, a perfect cure could never be effected.*" A system of blistering, bleeding, and bathing now commenced, as one recommended one thing, and another differed. But all efforts seemed to be fruitless; and the suffering patient continued to rock sightless, as she had done for years, in her little rocking-chair.

Eleven years had thus passed, when, *two months ago*, Mr. Roberts, upon taking up a paper, discovered the certificate of an acquaintance of his who had been cured of blindness by *Kennedy's Medical Discovery*. No time was lost in procuring the desired remedy; and when we called to see its results, a day or two since, the happy mother produced the *second* bottle they had purchased, with its contents but *partly used*, and told us, if we wished to see her daughter, we must come "between school-hours," as the sight that had been restored to her was employed in the pursuit of knowledge.

Any one wishing to converse with the parents of the child, or to see for themselves *she that was blind*, can do so by calling as before directed.

This evil was undoubtedly produced by a *humor* introduced into the system, and proves conclusively that the Discovery is the great *Humor Remedy of the age.*

---

MR. KENNEDY. *Dear Sir,* — My brother has been troubled with sore legs: from the knee down to the ankle, it was nothing but a mass of corruption. He tried every thing that could be heard of, but all to no purpose: it did no good. He saw your advertisement in the papers; and the descriptions of some cases suited his: so he resolved to try it; and from the time he began to take it the sores began to get well; and now, after the use of two bottles, they are all dried up. He says, *if this is any use to you*, you are at perfect liberty to use his name. Truly yours,

HENRY WILLIAMS, *Huntingdon.*

---

[From the Norway, Me., Advertiser.]

### Dr. Kennedy's Medicine.

We are requested by Major Doughty of Greenwood, in this county, to publish the following fact in relation to Dr. Kennedy's wonderful medicine.

Major Doughty states that his wife was afflicted with a fever-sore on one of her ankles for about twenty-five years, which, most of that time, deprived her of the use of the limb. In October last, she commenced using Dr. Kennedy's medicine, has taken four bottles, and is now, and has been for the last three months, in the enjoyment of perfect health: the fever-sore is entirely healed up, and the ankle sound and healthy as the other.

Major Doughty feels, under God, that he is indebted to the wonderful properties of Dr. Kennedy's medicine for this cure, and is desirous that the public should become acquainted with the fact.

---

### Cure of Bad Humor in the Eyes.

MR. KENNEDY, — I was for eight months one of the greatest sufferers from a humor in the eyes, accompanied with the most se-

vere headache. I had sixteen leeches to my head in one week: as soon as one blister was healed, I had to put on another; at last, I was so reduced I could not stand. The only posture in which I could have any ease was to sit, and lay my head on my knees. There I sat, day after day, and week after week. A friend procured me a bottle of your Discovery. I began to mend the first week. I used four bottles of it. My eyes are now as well as ever.

SUSAN RILEY, *Boston.*

[From the Boston Daily Ledger.]

## A Living Monument to the Great Power of Kennedy's Medical Discovery.

### *History of the Old Apple-Man.*

For the past seven years, our citizens, and visitors to the great metropolis, have noticed, as they passed to and fro over the stone steps that connect Brattle Street with Cornhill (in rear of No. 35 of the former street), an old man, whose tempting array of apples, nuts, and other fruits in their season, has more than once tempted their appetites, and drawn from their pockets many a shining penny.

It is this personage, Mr. John Sullivan, or perhaps better known as the Old Apple-Man of Boston, who has been raised up to testify to one of those frequent yet astonishing cures, performed by *Kennedy's Medical Discovery*, that are now of daily occurrence in our midst.

As he has stood at his stand, he has taken frequent opportunities of speaking to his customers of the good that has been afforded him; but owing to his convenient locality, in the very heart of the city, it has been thought expedient to place his narrative before the public, through the press, that all who wished might easily satisfy themselves, from the mouth of a *reliable witness*, of facts invaluable to those of the public who are suffering from diseases that are warranted to be cured by Mr. Kennedy. As no eloquence is of so much avail, or any system of argument so potent, as the statement of *facts*, we have in this case, as in all cases where the medicine has been introduced, relied solely upon

them, — *not placing our witnesses at great distances*, where the expense of reaching them would render our readers incapable of visiting them, but within five minutes' walk of the offices where such papers as the notices might appear in were located.

The facts in this case are as follows: Mr. Sullivan, either from exposure in the open air to the cold of winter, the heat of summer, or other cause, four years after commencing business, was attacked with a malignant humor, that finally settled in his eyes, causing the TOTAL LOSS OF HIS SIGHT; and our citizens for many days missed the old apple-man at his accustomed stall. His little savings of the few past years dwindled away in the purchase of useless medicines, or were expended upon physicians whose prescriptions were of no avail, and whose advice was of equal value.

As a final resort, on the second day of June, 1857, his wife led him by the hand, sightless as he was, to the residence of Mr. Kennedy, in Roxbury. Here he received wholesome advice, and returned home with a bottle of the Discovery. Now, mark the result of the *first* bottle. We are particular to have even our *dates* stated, that no room whatever shall be left for cavil or doubt.

From day to day, the soreness in his eyes abated, and the glad light of the sun again penetrated the eyes of him that was blind. Upon the twenty-eighth day of June, 1857, the first bottle was exhausted; and he now starts for one more bottle that is to complete his recovery: but this time no wife has to lead him, for his *eyes* are the guide of his path.

It would have caused the hardest heart to have heaved a sigh of gratitude, and the sternest of our race to have shed a tear of joy, could they have seen this old man, as, with eyes wet with the moistened tear of thankfulness, he took the hand of Mr. Kennedy, and with childlike simplicity said, "The *first* time I visited you I did find you, but I could not *see*: this time, I *could see*, but, not knowing the way, it was a long time before I found you. God bless you, sir, for what you have done for me!" Our readers are at liberty to call upon the patient, at his apple-stand before mentioned,

to see the result of the *second* bottle. He is now *cured*, and his appearance and words will corroborate our testimony.

It is needless to say that the old Brattlestreet church-bell above his head does not bring more joy to our citizens, as it merrily peals forth its notes upon the 4th of July, than does the mention of the twenty-eighth day of June to the old apple-man when he remembers his deliverance from that worst of enemies, Humor, through the agency of *Kennedy's Medical Discovery*.

[From the Providence Tribune.]

### Kennedy's Remedy for Humors.

While we are opposed to quackery in all its forms, and are unwilling to do any thing which will encourage it, or mislead the people, we are willing to award to all the popular medicines which are worthy of it the merits due their virtues and efficacy. The medicine discovered by Dr. Kennedy of Roxbury, for the eradication of humors from the system, having been tested by several of our friends, and proved itself to be all that is claimed for it, we feel called upon to publish the fact, that all who are similarly afflicted may avail themselves of so valuable a remedy. The increase of diseases of the character intended to be cured by this medicine, by errors of diet, and the breathing of impure air in imperfectly ventilated rooms, or owing to the vitiation of the blood, is happily met by the Discovery of Mr. Kennedy. It is prepared from an herb common in our pastures, whose properties became accidentally known. It is free from all deleterious ingredients, and is safe under all circumstances. It is sold in this city by Balch & Son, and other druggists.

### Remarkable Cure of a Scrofulous Sore Leg of Five Years' Standing, by Kennedy's Medical Discovery.

The many testimonials that are constantly being received by the proprietor of the above medicine render it impossible for him to place before the public so extensive an array of evidence; and he is therefore

compelled to select from among them such as he deems most conclusive and convincing in their statements.

The case we are now about to present is not, however, taken from a written testimony; but the subject of it called personally at the establishment of Mr. Kennedy, in Roxbury, and in the presence of several witnesses testified to the following facts. It may be also stated that the lady did not call for the purpose of speaking of its virtues in her own case, but to bring with her a friend afflicted with *humor in the eyes*, well convinced that the Discovery could not fail of speedily removing the evil.

Mrs. Gilmore, a lady who some two years since resided in Rockport, Me., was troubled for some *five years* with a *scrofulous humor*. It was first noticeable in the earlier stages of the disease by an itching sensation, and did not attract much attention; but it soon began to be so troublesome as to convince the patient that something was working in her system, and coursing through her veins, that needed removal.

The leg from the ankle, extending up nearly to the knee, became greatly inflamed. A great weakness and general debility was caused of the whole system; and it seemed as if her very blood was clogged in her veins by the mass of corrupt matter they contained. The pain and suffering she endured can only be imagined by those who have suffered from similar causes; and we hope that none of our friends may be called upon to witness in their own bodies the awful working of a scrofulous humor.

Month after month, and year after year, did Mrs. Gilmore linger on, now trying this remedy, and then another, consulting first this physician and then that; while the disease was daily gaining ground, and discovering with fearful rapidity new and alarming symptoms. The flesh was covered as it were with scales, and became dry and peely. It then took another appearance, in the form of a *running sore*, just above the ankle-bone of the left leg. This continued to enlarge, and actually eat into the very bone.

The inflammation increased. The flesh became soft and flabby; its color became of a blue and brownish appearance; and

we can compare it to nothing else than a piece of diseased and putrified liver, that has been thrown from some meat-stall as offal. The leg was actually one mass of corruption, dead and unserviceable, although attached to a human body; and the sore continued to discharge its contents of impure matter.

Walking and any attention to the active duties of life were now out of the question; and the patient was carefully removed to the residence of her daughter, in Boston. Here it was that she received immediate relief, and first commenced taking the Medical Discovery. At the commencement of its use, the running of the sore did not immediately stop, but speedily run off the humor that was in the system: it then healed up.

The inflammation in a few days subsided; the flesh turned first to a yellow hue, and then to its original color; and in *two months* that system was cured of one of the worst of humors, and Mrs. Gilmore became a willing convert to the all-healing power of *Kennedy's Medical Discovery*.

This lady is now residing in Tremont Street, Roxbury, and will be happy to state to any one the good she has received from the *Great Humor Remedy*.

#### Cure of Ulcers on the Head.

MR. KENNEDY, — I had ulcers on my head, accompanied with a severe headache across my temples: when I bent my head, it seemed as if it would split. I tried every remedy that money could buy: I did not value one dollar, nor a hundred, to get rid of it. I am now happy to say your Medical Discovery has made a complete cure of me.

WM. COBURN, *Dedham*.

#### Cure of Sick and Nervous Headache.

This is to certify that I was troubled with a sick-headache of the most distressing kind. I had to take an emetic regularly every fortnight as the only relief; but I found my strength and constitution torn and wrecked by it, my appetite failing, and a sinking, gone feeling in the pit of my

stomach, and a general debility of my whole frame. The opinion of every one was that I was going into consumption. One of my neighbors, who was using your Medical Discovery, advised me to get a bottle. I did so; and, before I used half a bottle, I got clear of an emetic. I began to mend fast. By three bottles, my health is perfectly restored.

MARY H. BASSETT, *Roxbury*.

#### Cure of Canker.

MR. KENNEDY, — No pen can write what I suffered from a nursing sore mouth and canker: none but a mother who had it can possibly believe what it is; and none but those who have used it can possibly believe the efficiency of your Medical Discovery in curing it.

ELIZABETH CROSS, *Cambridge*.

#### Cure of Boils.

I suffered from boils, and humor of the skin. By the use of the Discovery, I am clear of it.

WM. BIRD, *Dorchester*.

#### Cure of Rheumatism.

MR. KENNEDY. *Good Sir*, — I never expected to write such a letter as this, to say that I am clear of the rheumatism. I hardly know what to make of it, after suffering such excruciating pains for years. At every coming storm, my whole body and joints were in the greatest possible torment man can bear; and, somehow or other, it always appeared to me as if nobody pitied a man with the rheumatism. However, I ask no man's pity now, on that score. I can do as good a day's work as I ever could. I had three bottles of your Medical Discovery, and now feel like another man.

MOSES SMITH, *Brighton*.

#### Cure of an Ulcerated Sore Leg.

MR. KENNEDY, — I sit down to write to you to inform you of the wonderful cure which your Medical Discovery has effected in my case. I was afflicted over four years with what is commonly called *milk-leg*. I need not try to describe it, as none but

those who are similarly afflicted can form any idea of the suffering caused by this slow and painful disease. My limb would at times swell to an enormous size, causing the most intense pain. It seemed at times as if the flesh would burst: when the swelling subsided, I experienced relief. In this state I continued four years, — from one physician to another, and from one patent medicine to another, without any relief.

It is an old saying, and a true one, that "misfortunes never come single." After having suffered four years with this disease, the Rheumatism set in, which deprived me entirely of the use of my limbs. I was confined to my bed for several months, and as great an object of pity as you can conceive. In this state, a friend advised me to try your Medical Discovery; and, as a last resort, I did so, and gradually began to get better. I used three bottles of it, and two boxes of your Healing Ointment, and one box of your Salt Rheum Ointment, to allay the itching. I am happy to inform you that I am now as well as ever I was.

MRS. M. BARNETT,  
155 Cedar Street, New York.

### Cure of Fever-Sore.

Dr. Bowler of New York states that a patient of his had a fever-sore for several years; that she was attended by himself and several of the most eminent physicians of New York, without any apparent benefit; and that she took a few bottles of the Medical Discovery, which effectually cured her.

Mr. Ketchum of the Metropolitan Hotel, New York, writes that he had a humor on his face for years, which at times disfigured him so that he could not appear in public. He has taken twelve bottles, and is now perfectly cured.

DEAR SIR, — We received the two dozen of Medical Discovery forwarded March 30, and place that to credit of new account. The Discovery appears to give great satisfaction. We have heard of a child being cured of a *very bad* eruption of the skin, which had baffled the skill of some of the

most eminent physicians in this neighborhood.

Yours truly,

HARRISON SNYDER, *Lansinburg, N. Y.*

### Cure of a Singular and Rare Humor.

Dr. Dyott of Philadelphia states the case of a rare and singular disease of the skin, in that of a young lady of Delaware. This disease is so rare in this country, that she came yearly to the Medical College, to be the subject of a lecture on her disease, and to give the students an opportunity of seeing a perfect type of so rare a disease.

At every lecture, her case was pronounced incurable; that from the most remote antiquity no remedy was ever known to have the slightest effect on this disease. Somebody advised her father to try the Medical Discovery. He bought of me in all seven bottles: he now says another bottle will effect a perfect cure of her.

P.S. — I made diligent inquiry to find out the nature of this disease; but Mr. Dyott did not take the names of the parties, and of course it would be useless to go to the Medical College.

### What the Sisters of Charity say.

Read what the Sisters of Charity say of Dr. Kennedy's Medical Discovery, — those holy women, whose lives are consecrated to doing good, and who are unceasing in their efforts to find cases of sickness and destitution among the poor.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL, EMMETTSBURG.

DEAR FRIEND, — I fear that you will be heartily tired of my handwriting, and wish I would not trouble you any more with it; but I must thank you, and that most sincerely, for the boxes of Discovery, which arrived safe and sound, and received such a hearty welcome. You are indeed very kind to us, and we pray for you every day of our lives. What a happiness it is for us to feel that we can, by this sweet agency of prayer, render honor to our heavenly Father, and insure blessings to his children by the blood of his precious Son! May that divine Saviour bring you into his fold, guard and tend you all your life, and at its close introduce you into the eternal taber-



nacle! Take care, my dear doctor, and do not miss either, or the way.

Our sisters unite in grateful remembrance to you.

Ever yours, truly,

SISTER LUCIA MAY.

---

ST. VINCENT SCHOOL, TROY, N.Y.

KIND FRIEND, — Your donation of remedies arrived in good order, and we are most grateful for it. The fame of your Discovery and Ointment is spreading rapidly. Several times this week I recommended it to people to buy it. Many are the blessings you receive from those who are cured. May our good God bless you, and reward your charity to the poor orphans!

Respectfully,

SISTER MARY VIRGINIA JOYCE.

---

ST. SIMEON'S, NEW ORLEANS.

DR. KENNEDY. *Kind Friend*, — Allow me, on the part of our whole family, to renew our thanks and the best wishes of the season. May this year be one of happiness and prosperity to you and yours; and may you, after having spent a life of usefulness and benevolence to your fellow-beings, enjoy that eternal bliss which is the reward of charity such as yours! We have been using your remedies for a number of years with the greatest success: indeed, we all agree in pronouncing yours a wonderful discovery. Sister Mary Francis, who had been suffering for a number of years with an affection of the throat, took one bottle, but it seemed to increase the malady: she continued, however, and took four bottles, after which she was entirely relieved, and is now, thanks to God, who made you what you are, perfectly restored to health.

The Rheumatic Liniment works like magic; and many a time when the poor head, racked with pain, feels its soothing effects, we hear the grateful ejaculation, "God bless Dr. Kennedy!" We have nothing to offer to you in return for your kindness but the prayers of the poor; and you know God always hears them.

Most gratefully yours,

SISTER CANDIDA.

ST. VINCENT ASYLUM, WASHINGTON, D.C.

KIND FRIEND, — It gives me much pleasure to inform you that our scrofula cases are improving rapidly. One of them who has been in the infirmary several years is now attending school. Her sores are all healed, and the skin quite smooth. The sore eyes are also improving rapidly. I am indeed under many obligations to you for your kindness and charity, and sincerely pray that you may receive a rich reward from our Lord.

SISTER M. BLANCHE.

---

ST. VINCENT HOUSE, DONALDSONVILLE.

Permit us, dear sir, to offer you our sincere thanks for your many favors, since we cannot speak our gratitude for the many proofs of kindness and charity that you have manifested to our community. Allow us to assure you that we will not fail to ask Him who understands the language of the heart to repay you as we would. Your Medical Discovery has become proverbial among us as well as many of our missions. From Michigan to that cradle of disease New Orleans, the name of Dr. Kennedy will ever find a place in the list of our creditors whose claim can only be redeemed from the treasures of Him who has given his own promise as a pledge of security to those who give to the poor.

The orphans of Louisiana will join those of other places in begging that Providence, in its wise but mysterious dispensations of the pleasures and pains of this life, may in your case so sweetly mingle both, that your share of sorrow may lose its bitterness, and that your happiness below may be but a shadow compared to the happiness that waits you above.

With respect and gratitude,

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY.

---

From the Rev. Isaac Stowell.

BETHEL SPRINGS, TENN.

In my travels around the country, I find many afflicted ones, and always recommend your Medical Discovery, having seen the good effects of it in many cases.

# NOTICE.

---

IN the first edition of this pamphlet, I invited the afflicted to write to me in complicated cases, and said that I would reply, and give such directions as my judgment would dictate.

In the second edition, I must say that I am now getting old and nearly worn out. "I am in the sear and yellow leaf, with fleece as white as snow," and unable to answer any more letters on sickness.

In this short treatise on Diseases of the Skin, I have avoided all scientific and obscure words, and endeavored to make my language as plain and simple as possible; so that the most common understanding can get my full meaning. I wish you to follow my directions in every case; then you will be able to cure yourself without any outside advice or assistance. In return, I want you to speak well of Kennedy's Medical Discovery when you are cured; give it your influence; recommend it to your friends; send the pamphlets to the sick, wherever you think they will do good. The measure that you measure to others, the same will be measured back to you.

I have given the Medical Discovery to persons of all ages and conditions of life,—from the infant on the breast to the old man of eighty,—and never yet heard of the slightest injury done by it. All you require to do is to guard the bowels that they do not get too open. It is a very easy thing to graduate and regulate the quantity to be taken. Many people prefer mixing it with milk: it takes off the intense bitter taste in the mouth.

# NOTION

In the first edition of this pamphlet I said that I  
would write to you in compliance with your request  
and give such directions as my judgment should  
require.

In the second edition I must say that I have now given  
you a new work out of my mind in the form of a  
book which I have written as a new and original  
contribution to the literature of the world.

In the third edition I have added to the first two  
a third part which I have called the "Third Part"  
and which I have written as a plain and simple  
exposition of the principles of the human mind  
and the nature of the human soul.

I wish you to follow my directions and to give  
your attention to the points which I have  
mentioned in this pamphlet.

I have written this pamphlet for you and for  
all those who are interested in the study of  
the human mind and the nature of the human  
soul.

I have written this pamphlet for you and for  
all those who are interested in the study of  
the human mind and the nature of the human  
soul.

I have written this pamphlet for you and for  
all those who are interested in the study of  
the human mind and the nature of the human  
soul.