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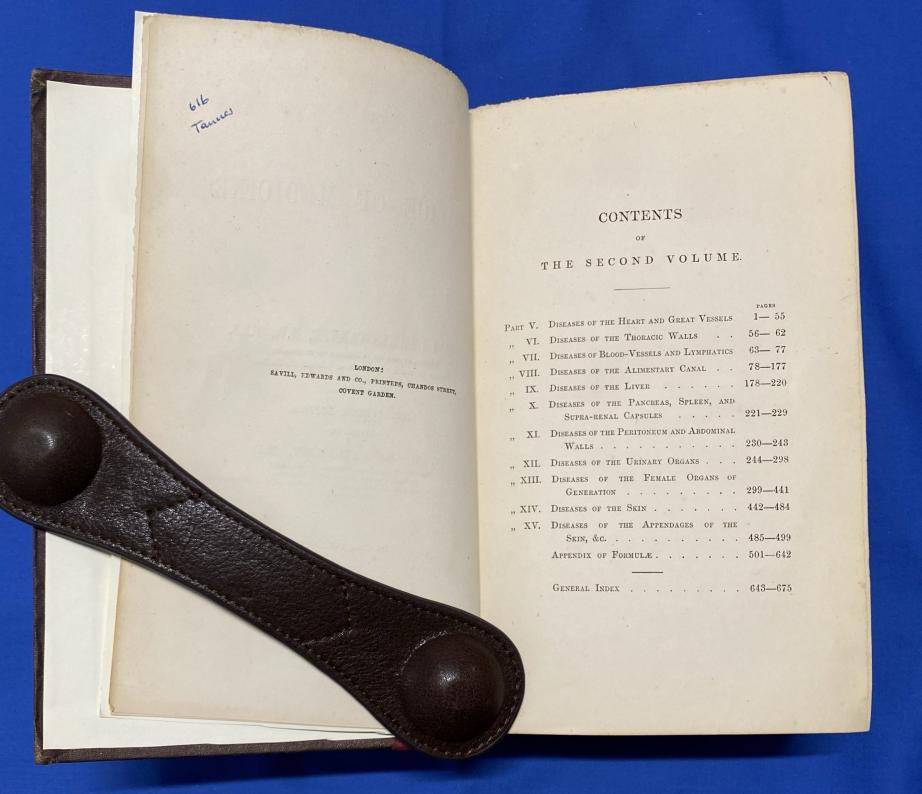
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unfrequently led to most disastrons consequences teamot with water; so that when the children complete site is the children co clusion of the meal known as "tea," the process At the course of the evening there may be something of them allowing the child to quench its thirs, it is not decay to pour the cold tea into a cup; but the spat is of them. drink. In allowing the child to quench its thirst it is not desired to the line. and a draught is given. This popular habit has necessary to pour the cold tea into a cup; but the special seed to the lips, and a draught is given. This popular land seed the opportunity presents itself; while unfortunately they are a valid themselves of the nurse's absence to do so when the the opportunity presents user; while unfortunately they was avail themselves of the nurse's absence to do so when the contains holling water, or they even experimentalism water. teapot contains boiling water, or they even experimentalize via the kettle. Most severe scalds of the fauces, glottis, and pharmatic contraction of the severe c the kettle. Most severe scales or the muces, glotte, and plarts have been thus produced; the spasmodic contraction of the contr have been thus produced; the spasmoole contraction of the on-strictor muscles of the pharynx preventing the passage of the a.:...downwards, and so saving the stomach, head strictor muscles of the pharynx preventing the passes of the fluid further downwards, and so saving the stomach. Is the guided by the primary of the primary fluid further downwards, and so saving the stomach. Is the treatment of these cases we must be guided by the principle. already laid down: opium, and soothing diluents (such as treads and water, or mucilage with liquorice, or linsed tea with long followed if nonexage has the control of the cont being especially required, followed if necessary by the buh When cedema of the glottis arises, relief may perhaps be given by making rather free scarifications; but if suffocation seems to be imminent, larryngotomy of tracheotomy must be quickly per formed. Unfortunately the operation does not often succeed owing to the prostrating effects of the scald upon the speen

V. FROSTBITE AND CHILBLAINS.

1. FROSTBITE.

Severe cold when long continued, produces insensibility, arrest of the circulation, and death of the part to which it is applied Where the whole frame is exposed to intense cold, the fital powers get much depressed. The heart's action gets diminished in frequency, and there is a strong desire for sleep. If this desire be gratified, the sleep soon passes into coma which will end in death. Examples of frostbite or gelatio [from Gelo = to freeze] are very rarely seen in this country; but the unfortunate children of drunken parents have suffered severely from it, after exposure to the keen night air of winter. The management of such cases consists in gradually restoring the circulation to the affected part; friction with snow or cold water, followed by the cautious use of stimulants, being the best means of effecting this restoration.

2. CHILBLAIN.

A chilblain, or mild degree of frostbite, is the result of a suspension of vitality in a limited portion of the skin from the aring of cold on the nerves and capillaries. The effect of the affected to the good of cold on the nerves and capitlaries. The effect of the affected to the affected as warmth returns to the affected as warmth returns and the toe or finger; warmth returns to the affected and the toe or finger is much itching and tingling, and the toe or finger is made there is much itching and swollen. This condition lasts and on examination to be red and swollen. there is much itching and tingling, and the toe or finger is much itching and tingling. This condition lasts.

This condition lasts. This condition lasts and swollen. This condition lasts the part then resumes its action continue. is gereal hours or even days, and the part then resumes its action continue, vesication action condition; or if the morbid action continue, vesication what is called a broken while the place, and what is called a broken while the place is a broken while highly condition; or if the morning action continue, vesication action continue, vesication is called a broken chilblain and what is called a broken chilblain and lies are of childhood.

The traducal variety a disease of containing dentity at the research of the chilled market to re-The freatment must consist in making gentle attempts to re-mer the normal circulation and tone of the chilled member by gar the normal circulation and tone of the chilled member by interest with powdered starch or stimulating liniments. For this the iodine ointment, or the iodide of lead ointment. Intropes with powdered started or standarding imments. For this powdered started or the iodide of lead ointment, or the iodide of lead ointment ointment of lead ointment of lead ointment ointment of lead ointment of lead ointment ointment ointment ointment ointment ointment proper the sound outstream, or the solution of the ointment of elemi, or the ointment of of the ointment of th pain mixed with an equal quantity of turpentine ointment, or the ompound camphor liniment, or the turpentine liniment of the Both Pharmacopæia may be prescribed; or the skin may be Into the chil
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June we please the state of the skin may be when the chilbut has alcerated, it must be at first soothed by water dressing of bread poultices mixed with goulard water; but subsequently or by preau pounds of the sale kindly) it is often advisable to apply stimulating miles it nears amony, and of resin mixed with a little tur-Penine. The constitutional powers will generally be found to be bow the normal standard. Hence tonic medicines (especially F. ps) must usually be required, and attention will have to be paid

In the way of prevention few remedies are more serviceable to the digestive organs. than cod liver oil, which should be taken once or twice daily through the whole winter. Warm clothing and nourishing food are of course indispensable. Thin and tight-fitting boots and glores are to be discarded during the cold months.

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