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The itch is caused by a minute insect that burrows under the scarfskin. The disease commences as watery pimples, which, becoming ruptured by scratching, become festering sores.

Treatment.—Administer a thorough, hot full bath, or a prolonged warm bath, using soft soap freely, then apply an ointment made of eight ounces of lard or glycerine, two ounces of flour sulphur, and one-half ounce of carbonate of potassium. Apply the ointment warm to all parts, then put the patient to bed and wrap him up well all night; be sure the patient keeps warm. In the morning, wash thoroughly in hot water with plenty of soft soap. Wash all the bedding used about the body, and boil it thoroughly to remove the Sulphur.