

PERMANENT CATHETERIZATION OF THE URETERS.

—This procedure seems practicable, as the following, from *Univ. Med. Science*, goes to show :

MM. Albarran and Lluria, at the last meeting of the *Société de Biologie*, reported that having tried their method on the cadaver, they had operated upon a dog and placed a catheter in each ureter, which the animal retained without any inconvenience. Professor Guyon recently performed a supra-pubic cystotomy on a young girl who had chronic cystitis; he introduced catheters made after the author's model, in both ureters, which performed their functions very satisfactorily for four days. The urine from one kidney was purulent and that from the other was perfectly clear; it came out drop by drop externally, and was received in two sterilized vessels. The bladder could then be curetted and dressed like an ordinary wound. The patient did not suffer in the least.

PHENACETINE IN RHEUMATISM.—The Berlin letter in the *Med. and Surg. Rep.*, for April 12th, contains among other good things a statement of Dr. Collischon's success in the treatment of acute articular rheumatism with phenacetine. Twelve grains should be given four times a day, or thirty grains twice a day. After the pain has disappeared it is advisable to continue the drug in small doses. It is similar to salicylic acid, inasmuch as it acts best in cases of marked febrile type while it is useless in muscular cases; and in the necessity for the use of large doses. On the other hand it does not possess the disagreeable after effects of salicylic acid.

TREATMENT OF CONDYLOMATA.—Dr. G. Finco (*Gazette Medica Lombarda*, June 21, 1890) recommends the following in the treatment of condylomata :

R—Collodion, 2.00 grams.
 Mercur. corrosiv., 0.02 "

The collodion should be poured into a small cup, the corrosive sublimate added, and the whole well shaken, as the sublimate does not dissolve in collodion. The largest condylomata may be touched with a small brush dipped into the mixture, following this with the local application of cold water. On the following days the others may be treated until all are removed.

MOUTH WASH.—Dujardin-Beaumetz is said to recommend the following to keep the teeth in good condition :

R—Acidi carbolici, gr. xv.
 Acidi boricæ, ʒ vj.
 Thymol, gr. viij.
 Ol. menth. pip., gtts. xx.
 Tinct. anisi, ʒ iʒss.
 Aquæ, O ij.—M.

This should be mixed with an equal part of water, and used two or three times a day.—*Bost. Med. and Surg. Jour.*

FOR WARTS.—Instead of the painful process of removing warts by nitric acid, which is perhaps the most usual method, the following formula is given (*Med. and Surg. Rep.*) :

R—Acid salicylic, gr. xv.
 Alcohol, ℥ xvj.
 Ether, ʒ j.
 Collodion, ʒ ij.—M.

Sig.—Apply daily to warts.

IVY POISONING.—Kite (*Med. News*) says that bathing the parts with "black wash" effects immediate relief and a prompt cure.

FISSURED NIPPLES.—

R—Balsam of Peru,
 Tr. arnica, āā ʒ ss.
 Oil of sweet almonds, ʒ j.
 Lime water, ʒ ss.—M.

Sig.—Apply a small quantity several times daily.

SUBINVOLUTION OF THE UTERUS.—Prof. Barton Cook Hirst, of the University of Pennsylvania, recently gave the following as the best combination to use :

R—Strychnine sulphatis, gr. ʒi.
 Quinine sulphatis, gr. ij.
 Ext. ergotæ, gr. j.

M. ft. pil. No. 1. Sig.—At one dose; to be repeated thrice daily.

OUR esteemed contemporary, the *American Lancet*, does not know what "hen sense" is. It is a "high grade" of sense—that kind of sense which will not permit the bird to scratch on the sidewalk for grain, where there is not even chaff to delude. The expression is common here, and was intended to convey our appreciation of the sound practical work of the *New England Medical Monthly*. The phrase is not classical, but is, we think, very expressive.