

we consider the large number of deaths from chloroform published week after week, any means for contributing to the safety of chloroform administration should be gladly welcomed.

THE Hamilton Medical and Surgical Society held their seventh annual dinner in Newport's Dining Hall, on Thursday the 16th ult., at which all the members thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The toast list of the evening embraced:—The Queen and her Representatives, The Hamilton Medical and Surgical Society, Our President, Our Guests, The Ontario Medical Council, Our Absent Friends, The Army, Navy and Volunteers, and The Ladies.

ETHER INJECTION FOR NEURALGIA.—Dr. Kunes, of Antwerp, has conceived the plan of using subcutaneous injections of ether in the treatment of neuralgia. He prefers to use Hoffman's anodyne, containing equal parts of ether and alcohol. He injects as near the seat of pain as possible, a quantity equal to what an ordinary Paravaz syringe will hold. Often a single injection has sufficed, but in a certain number of instances, two or three have been found necessary.

PURPERAL FEVER.—At a recent meeting of the Obstetrical Society of London, in a discussion regarding fever in childbed, opened by Boxall, it was concluded that bi-chloride of mercury remained the best antiseptic known, but that its routine use in douches was not necessary. In several hospitals of London, salufer had been tried as an antiseptic, but found inferior to corrosive sublimate.

A SOLUTION FOR NASAL CATARRH.—According to *L'Union Médicale*, the following solution is used successfully in the London Hospital:

R.—Ammon. muriatis, ʒ j.
Sodii chloratis, ʒ iiss.—M.

Sig.—Add a teaspoonful to a glass of water, to be used twice daily as a nasal douche in post-nasal catarrh combined with deafness.

PUNCTURE AND COLLODION IN HYDROCELE.—Leroy recommends that one-third, or one-fourth of the fluid be withdrawn by means of an aspirator, after which the whole scrotum is painted with a thick layer of collodion, which is to be re-

newed every twenty-four hours. A cure results in from 12 to 15 days. M. Broquet has also employed this treatment with success in three cases.

COMEDONES.—McCaskey (*Weekly Med. Review*), uses the following application in the treatment of comedones:—

R.—Ether sulphuris, ʒ viij.
Ammon. carb., ʒ i.
Boric acid, gr. xx.
Aque. ad. ʒ ii.—M.

Sig.—Apply locally, twice daily.

NITRO-GLYCERINE IN ASTHMA.—Dr. Hofman has recommended subcutaneous injections of nitroglycerine in doses of $\frac{1}{16}$ to $\frac{1}{8}$ of a grain. In angina pectoris and severe asthma he claims that the effects of these injections are remarkable. No objectionable after-effects have yet been observed.

TANNIN IN BURNS.—Mikasky, in *Rev. de Therap.*, recommends tannin in superficial burns, as follows:

R.—Tannin,
Alcohol, āā ʒ j.
Etheris sulph., ʒ i.

WE learn from Dr. Powell that Dr. Nicholas Seine has signified his intention to read a paper at the next meeting of the Ontario Medical Association. Dr. Howard Kelly, of Baltimore, will also be one of the American guests who will read a paper.

BY an error in our December issue, the name of Dr. W. E. Almas was included in the list of those who recently took the triple diploma, Ed. Dr. Almas took the L.R.C.P. Lond. examination and holds that diploma.

SALOL-COLLODION.—Dissolve four parts of salol in four parts of ether, and then add thirty parts of collodion, and apply it to the affected parts in acute rheumatism and it will be found to give rapid relief from pain.

DR. J. H. PARSONS, late of Meaford, Ont., has returned from Europe, where he has been devoting himself to the special study of the eye, ear, throat, and nose. He will soon begin the practice of his specialty in the city.