formularies.

EFFERVESCING DRAUGHT.

Seventeen grs. of citric acid or half an ounce of fresh lemon juice will neutralize 25 grs. of pot. bicarb.; 20 of pot. carb., 20 of sodæ bicarb.; 35 of sodæ carb.; 15 of ammoniæ carb.; 13 of magnes. carb.

FOR CHRONIC ECZEMA.

Sulphate of iron one in ten of distilled water applied by means of wet compresses to chronic eczema is highly spoken of in the Revista Medica de Chili by Dr. Mariana, quoting from Prof. Percy.

Kumys.

Take five quarts of fresh cow's milk, half a pound of white sugar, and heat to 86° to 90°F, then add two drachms of compressed yeast and stir for a few minutes. Bottle in champagne bottles, but do not fill them to the cork. Shake a few times during the next three or four days.

ICE CREAM AND BEEF JUICE.—As an excellent dietary article, this is praised by Dr. J. J. Tucker in the Chicago Journal. His formula is—

| R. Cream, | 120 | grams |
|---------------------|-----|-------|
| Sugar, | 30 | ٠, |
| Extract of vanilla, | 8 | " |
| Beef juice. | 8 | " |

Any confectioner can make it, or it may readily be prepared at home, with a freezer. Its uses are obvious.

SALICYLIC ACID MIXTURE.

| R. Acid salicylic | ξi. |
|------------------------|------|
| Spts. ætheris nit | 3vi. |
| Soda bicarbgr. | 70. |
| Spts. lavandulæ co | 3ii. |
| Aquæ | |
| Syrup aurant cort. ad. | ₹vi. |
| M Sig | - |

A teaspoonful every three or four hours. The acid and the spirits of ether should be mixed in a bottle, then add the soda, and afterward the water gradually till the effervescence ceases, and then the lavender and syrup.

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(To the Editor of the CANADIAN JOURNAL OF MEDICAL SCIENCE,)

THE HAMILTON MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of the above society was held at the Royal Hotel on 2nd July. The Vice-President, Dr. Malloch, in the chair. There was a large attendance of the members. After the minutes were read, a resolution of condolence was passed, expressing regret at the death of Dr. J. B. Laing, an old member of the Society.

Dr. Mullin presented a patient who had fallen from a scaffold six weeks previously and sustained a compound fracture of the lett tibia, opening into the ankle joint, also a Colles' fracture of the left forearm. The bones were found to be firmly united, and the wounds almost entirely healed, except to a small extent superficially. The fractures were treated antiseptically under a Lister's spray. The temperature never rose above 100° F.; the patient suffered neither pain nor swelling in the affected parts. The result was considered very satisfactory by all present.

Dr. Malloch presented a patient on whom he performed Symes' operation nine months previously. The patient had a very useful stump.

Dr. Ryall presented the subject of vomiting in pregnancy, and then at times more or less failure of controlling it by the usual remedies. The members present discussed the subject and their various modes of treatment.

Dr. Mills presented pathological specimens of fatty liver and kidney, and enlarged bronchial glands; a portion of nutmeg liver where the inter-cellular veins were very much enlarged; also a portion of an ovarian cyst. The meeting then adjourned.

A. Wolverton, Sec. H.M. & S.S.

CINCHONAANDITS ALKALOIDS.—"Quinetum," "quinquinine," "cinchoquinine," "subsulphate of quinine," are equally good medicines. Quinine is costly; cinchoquinine is about half the price of quinine but double that of quinetum, quinquinine is about midway in price between, quinetum and cinchoquinine.