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Sanguis Bovinus Exsiccatus. DEFIBRINATED BULLOCK'S BLOOD, (DESCICATED). This article was first introduced by Dr. A. H. Smith, Physician to St. Luke's Hospital, New York, and subsequently investigated by F. E. Stewart, Ph.D., M.D., of the same city, who utilized the product by desiccation. Popularly employed as a remedy for consumption, etc., by invalids who drink it at the abattoirs, as it flows from the freshly slaughtered animals.

As a *sustaining and supporting* measure it supplies nitrogenous tissue waste, obviates the tendency to death by asthenia, and forestalls a degree of prostration dangerous to life.

As a *restorative* agent, it is indicated in the slow convalescence from fever, in wasting diseases of various forms, consumption and the like, in cachectic states from various constitutional poisons, as syphilis, scrofula, etc., and in all cases where impaired blood, nerves or digestion, give rise to the anæmic condition, with its resulting general debility, hypochondriasis, or other functional disorder.

As a *curative* agent, in atonic dyspepsia, anæmia, and various derangements of nutrition and secretion.

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Bromide of Ethyl. (HYDROBROMIC ETHER)—chemically pure. The new anæsthetic. This article has been used for producing anæsthesia, with very satisfactory results, proving to have very important advantages over chloroform, ether, and other agents heretofore in use. It is powerful, rapid in action, and, in short, it possesses many advantages over the above agents.

Although comparatively a safe anæsthetic, we would still advise care in its use by those unfamiliar with its properties, and will be pleased to furnish circular containing report of case by Dr. J. Marion Sims, in which dangerous effects followed its use.

Jamaica Dogwood. (PISCHIA ERYTHRINA). The reports which have already been received of the effects of this drug more than justify our action in placing it before the profession of this country. Making due allowance for the enthusiasm which its action has aroused, we would only say, that, whereas, we a short time since merely asked the profession to submit it to a trial, we are now justified in recommending it as a substitute for opium in many painful affections. Its advantages over opium lie in its not constipating or locking up the secretions, and in its leaving none of the unpleasant constitutional effects associated with the administration of opium.

Manaca. (FRANCISCEA UNIFLORA.) This drug is officinal in both Brazilian Dispensatories in which it is classed among alteratives of the more active and positive kind. So marked is its effects in the syphilitic cachexia, that it has been called *mercurio vegetal* by the Brazilians. It is recommended also as an anti-rheumatic, relieving the pain and materially shortening the natural course of the disease.

We ask for it a thorough trial, under the belief that it will prove a valuable addition to the list of remedies commonly employed in rheumatism. It is regarded by the Brazilians as almost a specific in the chronic form of the disease.

Extract Duboisia. We are just in receipt of a direct importation of this rare and expensive drug. Duboisia, although scarcely two years before the profession of this country, has already largely supplanted atropia, formerly regarded as indispensable as a mydriatic in the practice of ophthalmology. Its action on the eye is similar to that of atropia, dilating the pupil and paralyzing the muscles of accommodation, but is much more prompt, and is attended by none of the disagreeable effects of that salt, irritation of the conjunctiva, dryness of the throat, and in children, hallucinations, delirium, etc.

Gelatine Products. We would ask the especial attention of the medical profession and pharmacists to our line of gelatine and gelatine-coated preparations, comprising Empty Capsules, Improved Rectal Suppository Capsules, and Gelatine-coated Pills. Our facilities for the manufacture of these articles are unsurpassed and the perfection to which we have brought them is due to the sparing of no expense in the securing of the best methods and the most experienced skill. We confidently ask a comparison of our Gelatine preparations with those of any other maker. We have but recently added Gelatine-coated pills to our stock, preferring to delay manufacturing them until we should be able to perfect a process through which the objections to gelatine-coated pills, as heretofore offered, might be entirely overcome. Our process is the result of years of experiment, and the expenditure of much capital. We claim for it complete freedom from the objections which attached to all the methods previously employed.

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