## Selections.

## Treatment of Bronchopneumonia.

How to care for a baby with bronchopneumonia is summarized by Northrup in the following:

1. Castor oil to clear the field of operation. It is the first aid to the injured.

2. Fresh air, cool and flowing. It reddens the blood, stimulates the heart, improves digestion, quiets restlessness, aids against toxemia. Regulate the temperature of air of the room inversely to that of the child. The patient's feet must always be warm, and the head cool.

3. Water, plenty, inside and outside. Temperature of the water as indicated by child's temperature.

4. Quiet and rest. Tranquillizing influences about patient. Undisturbed sleep.

5. Correct feedings to avoid fermentation and gas in abdomen. If there is need, high hot salines.

6. Antipyretics. Water. No coal tar products.

7. Heart stimulants. Fresh. air, hot foot baths. Relieving tympanites and crowding. Hot foot-baths and hot salines can be given in a cold room. Both can be given under the bedclothes.

Drugs.—Whiskey and strychnine. These are the first drugs mentioned in this paper, unless that household remedy, castor oil, be included. Promote general comfort in every rational way.

How to kill a Baby with Pneumonia.—Crib in far corner of room with canopy over it. Steam kettle; gas stove (leaky tubing). Room at 80 F. Many gas jets burning. Friends in the room, also the pug dog. Chest tightly developed in waistcoat poultice. If child's temperature is 105 F. make a poultice thick, hot and tight. Blanket the windows, shut the doors. If these do not do it, give coal-tar antipyretics and wait.—Med. News and Jour. Am. Med. Asso.

## Serum Treatment of Puerperal Fever.

Peham relates that the experience at Chrobak's clinic with Marmorek's serum were not favorable, but that Paltauf's antistreptococcus serum has shown an unmistakably beneficial action. It is derived from horses inoculated directly with fresh streptococcus cultures from puerperal processes and other severe streptococcus infections in man, with no passage through animals. Twenty-six cases of puerperal infection were injected with the Paltauf serum and all those patients with pure strepto-