

## ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE PROFESSION.

## TREATMENT OF BALANITIS.

Dr. W. R. Chichester states that he has obtained good results from the employment of the following (*Med. Rec.*) :

R	Atropiæ surphatis,	gr. i
	Zinci sulphatis,	gr. ij
	Acid. boracic,	gr. v
	Aquæ destillat.,	ʒj

M.

Sig. Apply two or three times a day with a brush.

He further states that this is open to any modification which the case suggests.

MIXTURE FOR DISSOLVING DIPHTHE-  
RITIC MEMBRANES.

Caldwell is stated by the *Medical News*, to recommend the following solution for this purpose :

R	Papain	ʒ ijss.
	Hydronaphthol,	grs. ij.
	Acid. muriatic.,	gtt. xv.
	Aq. destillat.,	ʒ ij.
	Glycerini,	ʒ ij.

M.

Sig. Apply to the affected parts every half hour by means of an atomizer.

## COPPER IN CHLOROSIS.

Luton has recommended the following formula, from the use of which Dr. Liègeois has obtained excellent effects in chlorosis :

R	Neutral acetate of copper	gr. ʒ
	Crystallized phosphate of so- dium	gr. ʒ
	Liquorice powder,	
	Glycerin,	āā q. s.

M. ft. tal. pil. No. 12.

Sig. One pill immediately before the morning and evening meal.—*St. Louis Med. and Surg. Jour.*

## CYSTITIS IN WOMEN.

The *Journal de Médecine de Paris* gives the following prescription for cystitis in women :

R.	Citrate of potassium,	½ ounce
	Fluid extract of triti- cum repens,	} of each 1 "
	Tinct. of belladonna	
	Fluid extract of buchu,	½ "
	Water, a sufficient quantity to make	4 "

A teaspoonful in a wineglassful of water three times a day.—*Med. News.*

## CRAYONS FOR ENDOMETRITIS.

Terrier recommends the following :

Powd. Iodoform,	10.
Powd. Gum Tragacanth,	.5

Glycerine and distilled water enough to make 10 crayons.

These are recommended in mild cases, when dilatation and exploration do not seem necessary. Either salol or resorcin may be used instead of iodoform, and in the same quantity. If the bichloride be preferred, it may be ordered as follows :

Mercuric Chloride,	.5
Talc Powder,	25.
Tragacanth Powder,	1.5

Glycerine and distilled water enough to make 50 crayons.

The vagina is first disinfected by bichloride solution (1:1000), then the crayon introduced and maintained in place by a tampon of iodoform cotton.—*Gazette de Gynécologie*, January 15, 1891.

PRESCRIPTIONS FOR CONSTIPATION  
OF PREGNANCY.

The following prescriptions are given by the *Revue Général de Clinique et de Thérapeutique* for this condition :

R.—Rhubarb,	2½ drachms.
Boiling water,	4 ounces.

Make into an infusion and add carbonate of magnesium 2½ drachms, and manna 1 drachm. Order a tablespoonful of this every hour.

R.—Phosphate of sodium,	6 drachms.
Distilled water,	4 ounces.
Syrup of raspberry,	6 drachms.

A dessertspoonful of this may be given every half hour or hour.

Finally, if acidity of the stomach exists, the following may be given :

R.—Calcined magnesium,	2½ drachms.
Manna,	1 drachm.
Distilled water,	8 ounces.

A tablespoonful every hour until a purgative effect is produced.—*Med. News.*

## CANTHARIDAL COLLODION.

The following method of preparing cantharidal collodion is noted by the *Revue Général de Clinique et de Thérapeutique* :

R.—Cantharidin,	15 grains.
Castor oil,	1½ ounces.
Acetone,	1½ "
Tincture of cannabis indica,	2½ drachms.
Collodion,	1½ pints.

The cantharidin is to be powdered and dissolved in the castor oil with the aid of heat. After it is cooled the acetone and the collodion, and finally the tincture of cannabis indica, are to be added.—*Med. News.*