

Well-Known X-Ray Man Leaves Toronto City Hospital.

Mr. B. J. Fenner has resigned from the staff of the General Hospital X-ray department, of which he has been a prominent member for the past ten years. For four years previous to that time he was doing similar work at the Hospital for Sick Children. Mr. Fenner is exceedingly well known to the medical men and has been associated very notably with the development of X-ray work in this city.

Garlic As A Medicine

A report by French doctors to the Biological Society declares that garlic supplies a valuable remedy for arterial tension. The root can be either chewed, eaten with salads or steeped in spirits. If used with the spirits, it is allowed to steep for three weeks and then injected intravenously at the rate of 30 drops daily.

Many experiments have shown that a week's treatment reduces the blood pressure to practically normal.

People of Thirty Centuries Ago Just as Healthy as To-day.

Paris,—With all the world's scientific progress, health conditions to-day are neither better nor worse than they were 3,000 years ago, according to Dr. Robt. Jaures, who, has just published the results of an examination of numerous Egyptian mummies that were buried along the Nile.

Not only were there then existent diseases that are now attributed to microbes, but also there were malformations, Potts disease rickets and flat feet, as well as corns and bunions.

In some of the bodies Dr. Jaures found distinct evidence of tubercular lesions in lungs, while microscopic examinations of hardened tissues revealed cirrhosis of the liver, abscesses and gallstones.

Not the least interesting discovery by Dr. Jaures was the fact that the ancient Egyptians were more sure-footed than the people of to-day, as was indicated by the fact that out of a thousand mummies examined, not a single case of fracture of the foot or leg was found.

Supply of Radium for City Hospital

There has recently been delivered to the Toronto General Hospital through the Bank of Toronto, a shipment of radium from the Radium Chemical Company of Pittsburgh. The radium is contained in tubes and in needles. The latter are hollow, and when used are buried in the growth which is being treated. In order that none of the precious element be lost, the needles are sealed up after the measured quality of radium is introduced into each. In this way none can be lost unless the whole needle is lost, but as each of them is worth \$1,200 they are very carefully guarded, and no chances are taken of losing them. The tubes are of two sizes, the large one containing over \$6,000 worth of radium. Each of the small tubes contains about \$2,500 worth. These can be used separately or together, and in some cases the entire quantity is used in the same case, but this is not often required.