

The author concluded by drawing attention to the care necessary in mixing the bromine with the spirits, which should be done very gradually, to avoid an explosion. He hoped others would try the agent he now brought forward, and give the results of their experience. He believed it to be a potent and useful remedy, and likely to prove of service, if not in the cure absolutely, at least in the arrest of the progress of cancer.—*Medical Times and Gazette*.

Miscellaneous.

A USEFUL HINT.

In Vienna the use of sulphate of iron as a deodorizer has had a most beneficial result. According to the *Presse*, the rats have been so effectually destroyed by the use of green vitriol, that recently Professor Hyrtl was unable to procure a supply of that animal for experimental purposes. There is no better or cheaper substance known as a deodorizer, or, as some people call it, disinfectant; and if it results in the wholesale destruction of these pests, we would advise its use freely in our city drains.

POISONING BY THE EXTERNAL USE OF BELLADONNA.

Two cases of poisoning by the external use of belladonna are mentioned in the London Hospital reports; the first that of a nobleman, for whom a liniment of two ounces, containing two drachms of liquor belladonna, was prescribed. The symptoms exhibited were a rapid pulse, great central excitement, and a widely dilated pupil. The other a case of a servant girl, who, for painful breasts sought advice, when a chemist prescribed 3 ss. of ext. belladonna in 3 j. of water. The same symptoms were observed. Both cases rapidly recovered on stopping the application.