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THE USE OF RADIUM IN SKIN DISEASE.

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I. A year ago, as a result of preliminary research work which had been entrusted to me a year and a half before, a centre for the study of radium was made at Paris. Because of the results I had obtained it appeared interesting to group closely together the different scientific departments in order to develop the study of radium. So it came about that in this same centre of study were united a physical laboratory, a chemical laboratory, a laboratory of physiology and of experimental medicine, and two departments devoted to the application of radium—the one for internal pathology, the other for external pathology.

It is to Dr. Dominici, whose work of ten years ago on "the cell" has caused him to be well known, that the laboratory of physiology and of experimental medicine and the department of internal pathology have been entrusted. Already he has succeeded, in addition to other work, in establishing the action of radium on "arthritis blennorrhœa," and his works have been the subject of a communication with the Academy of Medicine, under the auspices of Professor Robin.

But I shall not proceed on this subject, desiring to devote this article to the question of cutaneous radio-therapeutics, with which I am more at home.

II. The radium which I have used comes from the manufactory at Nogent-sur-Marne. In this manufactory, the radium is ex-