

have expected a cure to be effected. The corrosive sublimate acted as an abortive in acute forms, and in cases where some corneal lesion was present, and in which nitrate of silver would be consequently ill borne, it acted well in every respect. He never uses a stronger solution than 1 in 2000, or 1 grain in 4 oz. of water.

CALCIUM CHLORIDE IN ENLARGEMENT OF THE LYMPHATIC GLANDS.—Dr. Arthur Davies writing to *The Practitioner*, January, 1885, says that experience has shown him the great value of this agent in removing the enlargement of lymphatic glands, and especially when of a scrofulous nature. He instances one case of undoubted lymphadenoma in which "a gradual improvement took place under the exhibition of large doses of the drug. In other cases, complete cures were effected, and the whole paper goes to show that this drug can be depended upon if properly administered. He advises it to be given in small doses three times a day, the dose to be gradually increased and continued for long periods. One patient, a male, aet. 37, took 40 grs. three times a day for the greater part of a year, though he began with a 10 gr. dose, which was gradually increased. No untoward symptoms were developed. He considers it useless in cases of scrofulous diathesis where suppuration has already commenced.

DELEGATES TO THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—The rates given to the Delegates to the American Medical Association meeting, May 4, in St. Louis, have been fixed by the different Railroad Committees of the country, at one and one-third fares for the round trip. Delegates must pay full fare coming, and will receive on application, from the Agent at starting point, a certificate, which when signed by the Chairman of the Local Committee of Arrangements will entitle them to the reduced return rate. No reduced return ticket will be issued unless the purchaser can show a certificate issued by the Agent from whom he purchased the going ticket, and signed by the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements.

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A NEW HYPNOTIC.—Dr. Jasch, of Vienna, has introduced another new drug—*urethran*, to the notice of the profession. It was Dr. Jasch who

brought forward thallin, and though urethran was first used by Schmiedeberg, the credit of first thoroughly testing it belongs to the former gentleman. It is an ethyl-ether and has for its formula $\text{NH}_2 \cdot \text{CO}_2 \cdot \text{C}_2 \cdot \text{H}_5$. It is a white, crystalline body, easily soluble in water, having no odor and a not unpleasant taste. Dr. Jasch experimented first on animals and then upon some twenty patients, making over a hundred separate tests. He found that fifteen grains acted as a sure hypnotic, that it did not produce nausea or any unpleasant after-effects. Its action resembles that of chloral but is milder. It does not affect the peripheral sensory apparatus, and does not therefore directly relieve affections of that apparatus. It produces natural sleep, is without danger, and he therefore thinks will be a useful drug, especially in the treatment of children's diseases.

THE TREATMENT OF PEDICULI.—Mr. W. Frazer, F.R.C.S.I. recommends the expressed oil of stavesacre as having in his hands "proved by far the most safe and speedy remedy" in *P. capitis* as soon as the embryo has escaped from its chitinous envelope. It can be applied diluted with six to twelve parts of olive or almond oil, and the mixture, if considered desirable may be perfumed with any of the aromatic essential oils, such as lemon, bergamot, lavender or rose. It is applied in the same manner as ordinary hair oil, and if liberally used a single application will kill every pediculus. The encapsulated ova which escape will become developed within a week or ten days, and an occasional application of the medicated oil at short intervals will destroy the entire race.

ONTARIO MEDICAL COUNCIL ELECTION.—Since our last issue we have been informed that Dr. Henry, of Orangeville, has come forward as a candidate for the representation of the territorial division of Saugeen and Brock in the Medical Council. There are therefore two candidates in the field: Dr. Herod of Guelph, and the above named gentleman. A spirited contest may be expected.

EFFERVESCENT ENEMATA IN INTESTINAL OBSTRUCTION.—The *London Med. Rec.* says that Dr. Vondrodsky details a case of intestinal obstruction of five days' duration, in which all the usual means of cure having failed, success followed the