

that they were all related. The patients presented the usual symptoms of acute anterior poliomyelitis, and in addition horses, dogs, and fowls in the vicinity of the epidemic died from the disease, as was shown by *post-mortem* examination.

**MENORRHAGIA.**—(*Rokitansky*):

R—Extracti ergotæ, . . . . ʒ iss.  
 Acidi salicylic, . . . . gr. viij.  
 Aquæ cinnamomi, . . . . ʒ vj.  
 Syr. cort. aurant. amar.,  
 Spts. juniper, . . . . āā ʒ iss.—M.

Sig.—One teaspoonful three times a day.

**FOR CHRONIC ECZEMA OF THE FACE.**—This is a modification of Hebra's ointment, *N. Y. Med. Abs.* Compound stearate of zinc, and ichthyol, 20 parts.  
 Acid salicylic, . . . . . 5 "  
 Glycerin, . . . . . 10 "  
 Albolene (white) . . . . . 50 "

To be smeared over the affected part.

DR. BERTRAM SPENCER, of Bloor St., Toronto, has been appointed Associate Coroner for the County of York.

### Books and Pamphlets.

**MANUAL OF CHEMISTRY.** By W. Simon, Ph.D., M.D., Professor of Chemistry in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, etc., etc. Fifth edition, revised, with forty-four illustrations and eight colored plates. Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co. Toronto: Carveth & Co. 1885.

The fifth edition of this popular work is a considerable improvement on preceding editions. The book is one for the student, and the author has certainly spared no pains or labor in the bringing it up to date; the advance of chemical science as well as the new Pharmacopœia making many changes and alterations necessary. The division of the book into seven parts is as before. A number of experiments have been added as an aid to laboratory work, which may be readily performed by students at a comparatively small cost. The decimal system has been adhered to in all weights and measures, and Centigrade with Fahrenheit in temperature. The work is an excellent one for

students and teachers of junior classes in chemistry.

**THERAPEUTICS, ITS PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE.** By H. C. Wood, M.D., LL.D., Professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics in the University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Company. Toronto: Carveth & Co.

Dr. Wood's work is so well known to ninety-nine-hundredths of the medical men and students of the United States and Canada that we need only mention that the edition has been thoroughly adapted to the new Pharmacopœia, and that such new remedies as seemed necessary to the author have been thoroughly discussed. The non-official remedies in use have been duly considered; effete material has been carefully eliminated, and the numerous discoveries of recent years have been incorporated. Dr. Wood's book was a lamp to our feet years ago, in the then weary maze of *Materia Medica*, and we are sure the present volume will come as a boon to many a student now struggling with the same difficulties we then encountered.

**A MANUAL OF MODERN SURGERY, GENERAL AND OPERATION.** By John Chalmers Da Costa, M.D., Demonstrator of Surgery, Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia; Chief Assistant Surgeon, Jefferson Medical College Hospital, etc. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders. Toronto: Carveth & Co.

On looking over the many huge volumes of surgery in our libraries, and on reading any particular branch of the subject, we find that we must peruse many pages before we arrive at our desired point of information, the labor being oftentimes tedious, particularly if one be busy and have not much time at his disposal. In lieu of this, the above named volume meets a long-felt want, for it is a time and labor saving one, being scarcely eight hundred pages in all, and not weighty, so that one can easily carry it with him when desired. It contains all the essentials of surgery, devotes a part to Bacteriology, and a large space to Fractures, Dislocations and Amputations. Orthopedic Surgery is given a fair discussion, a special lecture is given on Diseases and Injuries of the Rectum and Anus, Anæsthesia and Anæsthetics, and Bandaging. In all the book is well worth its cost and no one would regret having given it a careful study.