

Major Carroll G. Bull, N.S., M.C., claims to have succeeded in obtaining a serum that greatly attenuates or even cures gas gangrene. Its employment so modifies the course of the disease that operations may be safely undertaken.

The Medical Record of 9th February has a very sensible article on the folly of too much refinement in the classification of mental diseases, and contends that more attention should be devoted to histopathology, psychology, the endocrinous glands and psychotherapy.

It has been found that an ointment containing 25 to 30 per cent. of calomel, as recommended by Metchnikoff. This ointment is applied at once after intercourse, or even before it. In Egypt this plan has been found to be most efficacious and has reduced the incidence of venereal diseases to a negligible amount.

The marriage law in the State of New York contains these words, which both parties must swear to: "I have not to my knowledge been infected with any venereal disease, or if I have been so infected within five years I have had a laboratory test made within that period which shows that I am free from infection from any such disease."

The New York Medical Journal in an editorial contends that venereal diseases should be put on the list of contagious diseases and granted no privileges. They are more dangerous than smallpox and not nearly as respectable.

Dr. Henry Maudsley died in England at the age of 83 on 23rd January. He was a noted authority on mental diseases. In 1908 he gave \$150,000 to the London Asylum Board for the furtherance of the treatment of mental diseases.

It has been decided in the United States by court that a license to practise osteopathy does not confer the right to remove tonsils or to give medicine in connection with the operation.

It is expected when the United States army is up to full strength there will be 24,000 medical men in service.

Major Gilbert Royce, M.D., who has been in the C.A.M.C. for over two years, has been made commandant of the Canadian hospital at Bromley, Kent, England.

Dr. Graham Chambers has completely regained his health, and is now chief in medicine of the Moore Barracks Hospital, Folkestone, Eng.

W. William Gunn, of Clinton, who was doing surgical work overseas for a period of two years, has returned and resumed practice.

The Ontario Government has introduced a bill to limit the spread of venereal diseases. It is intended to enforce treatment and provide detention where necessary.