

fewest number of deaths occur between the hours of nine and twelve in the evening. And that the period of the greatest mortality is between one and eight o'clock in the morning. He therefore urges the necessity of feeding and supporting our patients, when much prostrated, during these morning hours, which are evidently fraught with so much danger to them.—*Med. Times.*

PERSULPHATE OF IRON IN HEMORRHOIDS.—Dr. Geo. S. Cartwright, Assistant Surg. U. S. V., highly extols the efficacy of the persulphate of iron employed as an ointment in the treatment of hemorrhoids. It is especially beneficial, he states, in ulcerated hemorrhoids, or in those whose constitutions are debilitated from diarrhoea, long marches, and excessive fatigue of any kind. Of several cases which he relates illustrative of the advantages of this remedy, we select the following:

“Major —, U. S. A., of full habit, has been the subject of slight hemorrhoids for several years, for which he has employed ointments of galls, tannin, opium, &c., with temporary benefit. For the last twelve months he has been obliged to travel a great part of the time in a rough vehicle. On examination, found a small tumour, external to the sphincter, about the size of a large pea; when at stool it would protrude to the size of a small walnut, and could with difficulty be returned.

Lead water was directed to be applied to the part, and at night the following ointment:

Persulphate of iron, half a drachm;
Simple Cerate, one ounce. Mix.

The effect of this application was almost immediate, relieving the pain and cauterizing the part. It was also permanent, for he was able to ride on horseback, or take active exercise within two weeks after commencing the use of the iron, without the least inconvenience. It is now two months since he first commenced the use of it; and he has not had any return since. *Am. Jour. Med. Science.*

To Correspondents.

Musk.—In ordering the best grain musk from any respectable house, you will receive the pure musk from the pod, triturated into a powder. All other grades are made by rubbing this powder with exhausted roasted-coffee grounds in proportion to the prices quoted.

In making the essence, the musk should be rubbed in a mortar with a little loaf-sugar, to facilitate its division. If the musk appear dry, a drop or two of weaker ammonia may be added to it.

Some druggists prefer the diluted alcohol, to a stronger spirit, for making the essence, affirming that the addition of the water renders the essence much stronger.

Erythema.—The receipt given in last month's issue for camphire, was not for camphire, but for burning fluid.

Medical Works published in Great Britain, from the 1st November to the 1st December, 1864, with their sizes, numbers of pages, London publishers' names, and prices in sterling.

Brinton (W.)—Lectures on the Diseases of the Stomach. 2nd edit. 8vo. pp. 370 (Churchill) 1s. 6d.

Clinical Lectures and Reports by the Medical and Surgical Staff of the London Hospital. Vol. 1. 8vo. (Churchill) 7s. 6d.

Esch (A.)—Dental Surgery. 2nd edit. 12mo., pp. 78 (Clements) 1s.

Guy's Hospital Reports. 3rd series, Vol. 10. (Churchill) 7s. 6d.

Holmes (T.)—A system of Surgery Theoretical and Practical, for making by various Authors. 4 vols. Vol. 4, 8vo. pp. 1082. (Longman) 3s.

Magnus (K. D.)—Lectures on Public Health. 12mo. pp. 274 (Hurdwicke) 2s. 6d.

Noad (H. M.)—A Manual of Chemical Analysis. Qualitative and Quantitative, for the use of Students. Post 8vo. pp. 609. (Churchill) 10s.

Noad (H. M.)—Manual of Chemical Analysis. Part 2. Quantitative Post 8vo. (Reeve) 10s. 6d.

Nunn (T. W.)—Observations and Notes on the Arteries of the Limbs. 2nd edit. with engravings. 8vo. (Churchill) 2s. 6d.

Smith (John)—Handbook of Dental Anatomy and Surgery. 12mo. pp. 131. (Churchill) 3s. 6d.

Squire (B.)—Coloured Photographs of Skin Diseases. Parts 1, 2, and 3. (Churchill) 3s. 6d. each.

Tunstall (James)—The Bath Waters; their Uses and Effects in Chronic Diseases. 3rd edit. Post 8vo. (Churchill) 2s. 6d.

Walker (J. W.)—On Diptheria and Diptheritic Diseases. 12mo. pp. 82. (Churchill) 3s.

William (J. W.)—Skin Diseases of Constitutional Origin, their Etiology, Pathology, and Treatment. 8vo. pp. 125. (Simpkin) 4s. 6d.

Blakiston (Peyton)—Clinical observations on Diseases of the Heart, and Thoracic Aorta. Post 8vo. pp. 322 (Longman) 6s. 6d.

Clark (Stewart)—Practical Observations on the Hygiene of the Army in India, with a chapter on Prison Management. 8vo. pp. 159 (Smith & E.) 6s.

Fry (J. P.)—All Statutes relating to Lunacy, with commentaries. 12mo. pp. 732 (C. Knight) 15s.

Millar (James)—Surgery. 8vo. pp. 1416. A reprint. (Longman) 25s. The edit. of last March was 39s.

Quain's Anatomy. Edited by W. Sharpey. A. Thomson and J. Chalmers. 7th edit. Part I, containing the Bones, Joints, and Muscles. 8vo. pp. 349 (Walford) 10s. 6d.

Royle & Headland.—A Manual of Materia Medica and Therapeutics. 4th edit. 12mo. pp. 770 (Churchill) 12s. 6d.

Saxaria (H.)—The Handbook of Dialysis, or Corpulency and Leucæmia scientifically considered. Translated by L. F. Simpson. 12mo. pp. 170 (Longman) 3s. 6d.

Smith (W. A.)—On Incontinence of Urine arising from Irritability, Weakness, Inflammation, or Diabetes. 2nd edit. Post 8vo. pp. 19 (H. K. Lewis) 3s.

Wilson (Erasmus)—The Student's Book of Cutaneous Medicine and Diseases of the Skin. Part I. Post 8vo. pp. 278 (Churchill) 5s.

Periodicals received since 15th November.

London Medical Circular to 8th November; British Medical Journal to 28th November; London Medical Times to 28th November; Boston Med. and Surg. Journal to 8th December; Australasian Med. and Surg. Review to 21st July; Cincinnati Lancet and Observer, November; Philadelphia Med. and Surg. Reporter to 16th October; Philadelphia Dental Cosmos, December; Chicago Medical Journal, November; Chicago Medical Examiner, October; Canada Medical Journal, December; Bulletin Med. and Surg. Journal, November; London Pharmaceutical Journal, December; American Druggist's Circular, December; London Chemist and Druggist, November; Loudon Publishers' Circular to 1st December.

Books and Pamphlets received.

Ophthalmic Review. A Quarterly Journal of Ophthalmic Surgery and Science. Edited by J. Zachariah Lawrence of London, and Thomas Windsor of Manchester, April, July and October, 1864. Published by R. Hurdwicke, 152, Fleet-street, London. From Dr. Lawrence.

On Rheumatism, Rheumatic Gout, and Sciatica. Their Pathology, Symptoms and Treatment. By H. W. Fuller, M.D., Cantab., F.R.C.P., Physician to St. George's Hospital, &c. 3rd edition, 8vo. pp. 448 Lindsay and Blackiston, Phila. 1864. From the Publishers.

Gonorrhœal Wounds and other Injuries of the Nerve. By A. W. Mitchell, M.D., G. R. Morehouse, M.D., and W. W. Keene, M.D., Acting Asst. Surgeons, U.S.A., in charge of the Ward for Diseases of the Nervous System, Tennerlane Hospital, Philadelphia. Post 8vo. pp. 173. J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1864. From the Publishers.

Glaucoma. Its Symptoms, Diagnosis and Treatment. By H. D. Keyser, M.D. Being notes taken while attending the Clinical Lectures of Professor Von Graefe during the winter of 1862-3, in Berlin. Post 8vo. pp. 88. Lindsay and Blackiston, 1864. From the Publishers.

A Comprehensive Medical Dictionary. Containing the Pronunciation, Etymology and Signification of words used in Medicine and the kindred Sciences, with a classification of Remedies; and concise Directions for Writing Prescriptions with explanations of the Latin terms and Phrases usually employed in them. By J. Thomas, M.D. Post 8vo. pp. 716. J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1864. From the Publishers.

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