

**CHOREA-NEPHRITIS.** — Thomas (*Deut. med. Woch.*) reports a case of chorea with nephritis occurring in a lad, aged 14, who some years previously had suffered from scarlet fever not followed by dropsy. Nine months before the onset of the chorea the urine contained no albumen, and the patient's health was good. Arsenic had to be discontinued owing to digestive disturbance, and therefore he was treated with tonics. Somewhat later general dropsy supervened. The urine contained albumen and numerous hyaline casts. The second aortic sound was loud and the pulse somewhat tense. There was no reason to believe that organic cardiac disease was present. After a week's time the albumen disappeared and the dropsy gradually diminished. With the disappearance of the nephritis the choreic movement ceased. Thomas thinks it possible that the nephritis began at the same time as the chorea. He believes also that the cause of the disturbance in the co-ordination centres producing the choreic movements lay in an intoxication brought about by the urinary constituents. *The British Medical Journal.*

**TREATMENT OF THROMBOSIS OF THE VULVA.**— Bouilly and Charpentier (*Rev. Gever. de Clin. et de Therap.*) recommend the observance of the following rules in the treatment of thrombosis of the vulva: 1. *During pregnancy*: resolvent and cold applications; interference only in the case of rupture. 2. *During confinement*: a rapid termination of the labor by means of the forceps or by version, if there is hæmorrhage, the pouch formed is to be opened, removing the clots, followed by the introduction of antiseptic tampons. 3. *After delivery*: expectant treatment; but, if necessary, the thrombus is incised, and the cavity is then washed out and dressed antiseptically. *Medical and Surgical Reporter.*

**A NOTEWORTHY FACT.**—It is a noteworthy fact that not a single case of small-pox occurred during the year 1890 in the British army. If this be not evidence of the protection afforded by re-vaccination against a malady once so common—and still disastrously fatal in armies where this precaution is not vigorously enforced—then logic and reason are mere accomplishments! — *Medical Review.*

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