

carried out by the patient himself without the aid of a second person, has given very good results.—*Revue Chirurgicale*.

THE TEMPERATURE OF ANTISEPTIC SOLUTIONS.—According to Dr. Aki, heat increases the antiseptic power of bichloride of mercury, at the same time diminishing its poisonous and corrosive effects. The following are his conclusions: (1) The antiseptic power of any solution of the sublimate is increased when raised to 40°C. (2) A 1 in 20,000 solution, and even a 1 in 10,000 solution, warmed to 40°C., might be used in penetrating wounds of the lung, of the pleura, and the peritoneum, without danger. (3) A temperature of 40°C. stimulates the reparative power of the tissues, and accelerates the curative process. On the other hand, a 1 in 1000 cold solution is less antiseptic than a solution ten times as weak, because the warmed weak solution penetrates farther. (4) Raw surfaces unite more quickly when a warm 1 in 500 solution is used, it being less corrosive, than when a cold solution is used.—*Lyon Méd.*

A DEODORANT FOR IODOFORM.—The disagreeable odor that the hands take from the handling of iodoform can be destroyed by using spirits of turpentine. It suffices to rub the hands well with the turpentine and then to wash them with ordinary soap and water. Sputulas, mortars, graduates, or anything that has come in contact with iodoform, may be treated successfully in the same way.—*Revue Chirurgicale*.

SALOL.—Dr. Paul Cornet comes to the following conclusions about salol: (1) Salol is decomposed in the intestine. (2) Salicylic acid is found in the stomach two or three hours after the ingestion of from 2 to 3 grammes. (3) Salol is not entirely decomposed in the intestine. Some is found in the fæces.—*Prog. Méd.*

PEDICULI PUBIS IN THE HAIR OF THE HEAD.—Pediculi pubis have, as a rule, no other habitat but the hair of the genital organs, except when the hair is crisp in other parts. Sometimes they are found, and then chiefly in children, in the eyebrows. According to M. Heisler, the authors are all agreed that they are never found on the head. He reports one case in a boy of fourteen, where they were found in abundance on the eyelashes, eyebrows, and on the head; the hair was covered with nits. The hair was short, blonde, and not curly.—*Lyon Méd.*

THE INFLUENCE OF THE TRANSFUSION OF THE BLOOD OF DOGS VACCINATED AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS ON TUBERCULOUS INFECTION.—MM. Héricourt and Ch. Richet have found that tuberculous material from birds would immunize dogs against human tuberculosis. If the blood of such an immunized dog be transfused into an infected dog, amelioration, and sometimes even cure, results. None of the control animals lived over 32 days. Four of those treated as above lived over 57 days, and two are still living after 105 days.—*Prog. Méd.*

THE ACTION OF DIGITALIN ON THE PULMONARY CIRCULATION.—M. Heger says that though digitalin has a most energetic effect on the left ventricle and on the aorta, it does not in the same way act on the right heart and the pulmonary artery; that though digitalin relieves pulmonary stasis and depletes the lung, it does this not by its action on the right heart, but by its tonic effect on the left ventricle.—*L'Union Méd.*