

general body of our practitioners may be, the profession is not enlightened by their discoveries, or placed in possession of any improvement that may have been effected in treatment.—*Lancet*, Oct. 18.

—Another good tale is told, which raises the laugh on the side of the examiners. A group of young students were around the dissecting-room fire, cross-examining Tomkins, who had been up for his primary college the day before, as to the nature of the questions, and how he had done, etc., etc. Tompkins, who had been rejected three times previously, answered that had done very fairly, and thought it very likely he had “stumped” the examiners at last. “By-the-bye,” proceeded the hero of many exams, “there was one question I couldn’t understand; when I was leaving the hall he asked me if I knew ‘how many blue beans made five?’ Can any of you fellows tell me?” The roar of laughter which followed this recital was something terrific. I need hardly say that Tompkins was ploughed again.—*Students’ Journal*.

EXTRACT OF MALT.—“This invaluable preparation is rapidly gaining ground as a curative agent in all forms of chronic debility, from whatever cause. It is especially applicable in bronchial affections, in syphilis, and in the extreme debility with loss of appetite depending on chronic uterine affections. There are ten or twelve preparations of Malt Extract with other medicines. Of these I have used but three:—the simple Malt; Malt with Cod Liver Oil; and Malt with Citrate of Iron and Quinia. It is about four years since I began the use of Malt. In that time I have prescribed it frequently, and never without satisfactory results. I have never known it disagree with the stomach, except after having been taken continuously for a considerable time. Cod Liver Oil is frequently unbearable. I have met with patients who could not, under any circumstances take Cod Liver Oil pure, who could take with a relish Extract of Malt with Cod Liver Oil.

“Extract of Malt with Citrate of Iron and Quinia is one of our very finest tonics and fat-producers, and patients use it with a better relish than any of our bitter tonics.”—*From a paper on “New Preparations,” by Dr. H. D. Rodman, of New Haven, Ky., in Louisville Medical Herald, (Jan. 1880.)*