

B. S., an infant, aged eight months, was recently treated by me for acute eczema of the scalp. The little fellow was suffering greatly from the itching and consequent loss of sleep. Rubber tissue was sewed into a tight-fitting hood of light cotton material. Zinc ointment (3ss-3j) was applied, and the hood tied on closely and kept on day and night. The scalp was cleaned daily with sweet oil and the ointment and hood re-applied. The relief was evident, and in five days the eruption had disappeared.

In conclusion, I would state that doubtless this method has been used by others. As far as I am concerned it is original. I do not believe, however, that its advantages are generally known, and hence deem it worthy of report.—*The American Jour. of Medical Sciences.*

Cancer of the Uterus.

Pozzi (*La Gynécologie*) concludes his paper read before the International Medical Congress with the following deductions: 1. The surgical treatment of uterine cancer rarely insures relief extending beyond two years. 2. Hysterectomy is not justifiable if the uterus is fixed by indurations in the surrounding tissues. 3. The importance of infection of the lymph nodes has been exaggerated, since recurrence usually takes place in the cicatrix; hence extirpation of the glands, even when it is supposed to be complete, seems to have little influence on the return of the disease. 4. Abdominal hysterectomy is a more serious operation than vaginal, on account of the greater risks of infection, and should be reserved for special cases in which the vagina is narrow, the uterine wall softened, or the cul-de-sac extensively involved; also when the uterus is unusually large or complications are present—fibroids, pregnancy, pyometra, or pyosalpinx. In a few instances the abdominal route may be preferable, in order to dissect out the uterus from the diseased tissues. 5. Vaginal hysterectomy is accordingly preferable on account of the smaller risk, the ease with which it may be performed in the early stage of the disease, and the fact that even a palliative operation is preferable to a "pseudocurative" one in which the chances of an immediately fatal result are so great.—*American Jour. of the Medical Sciences.*