THERAPEUTIC NOTES

LOCAL TREATMENT IN GYNECOLOGY.

Henry T. Byford says that often iodine and phenol are applied to the cervix uteri when not indicated; that abstraction of blood from the cervix in chronic hyperemia of uterus and adnexa is useless and injurious; that glycerine and ichthyol tampons sometimes act as irritants and not of very great efficacy; that the copious high temperature douche is of no practical use except as a cleanser. Medicated douches have a certain value when employed intelligently.

GASTRIC SUPERACIDITY.

G. W. Hall (Boston Med. and Sur. Jour.) observes that hydrogen peroxide lessens the hydrochloric acid in the stomach. Patients with hyperchlorhydria get great or total relief from their symptoms. He says it does not appear to benefit cases with active ulcer.

It is an efficient hemostatic in epistaxis, why not in hemorrhage from ulcer of stomach?—Ed.

PERNICIOUS ANEMIA.

Muktedir (*Deut. Med. Wochen.*) gave a tablespoonful of glycerine in a man of 30 years with pernicious anemia, infected with syphilis four years previously. This was given three times a day at first and later on up to 70 gm. The patient seemed to be apparently cured, and the only by-effect was a transient diarrhea.

FLATULENCE.

Le Progress Medicale recommends: Mag. carb, one drachm; pulv. rhei, one-half drachm; ol. menth. pip. minims, twenty; for twenty pills. Two pills to be taken after each meal.

GONORRHEA.

The Schindler treatment consists in the use of atropine in doses up to 3 mgm., in rectal suppository or direct distillation. If atropinism supervenes the drug must be stopped. In addition, strong solutions of protargol (3 to 5 per cent.) cocaine added to deaden the pain. By this the duration of treatment is shortened.