

alarmed and applying for relief. He believes also that it is more satisfactory than camphor, lupulin, or the bromides in chordee, but must in this case be administered in large doses, frequently repeated.

BASEDOW'S DISEASE.—Prof. Hack (*Deutsche Med. Wochenschrift*) has succeeded in curing a case of Basedow's disease in a girl æt. 17, by cauterizing the hypertrophied mucous membrane on the inferior turbinated bones. He believes the disease was in this case at least, purely reflex, and cites parallel cases to sustain the reflex theory.

CIRRHOSIS OF THE LIVER.—Dujardin-Beaumetz recommends (*L'Union Médicale*) in this disease, the hippurate of calcium. He orders the following formula :

R Hippuric acid 3 vi
Lime water 3 xvi
Syrup 3 xx
Essence of lemon 3 i
S. One tablespoonful several times daily.

TINEA TONSURANS.—Dr. Van Harlingen (*Med. Times*) treats this disease as follows :

R Potassii iodidi 3 ss
Liq. potassæ 3 j M.

The hair is to be closely clipped and this sopped on to the scalp, with a pledget of lint, once daily ; when dry, the following solution should be applied at the same points :

R Hydrargyri. bichlor. gr. iij
Aquæ 3 j M.

FEVER MIXTURE FOR TYPHOID.—Dr. F. Peyre Porcher gives (*New Orleans Med. and Surg. Jour.*) the following formula for a fever mixture for typhoid :

R Spts. æth. nit. 3 ss
Pot. acetatis 3 i-ii
Pot. chloratis 3 i
Liq. ammon. acetat. 3 i
Tinct. aconit. 3 ss
Tinct. camph. co. 3 ii-ij
Aq. ad 3 iv M.

Sig.—3 ii every two or three hours while fever lasts.

IODOFORM IN TUBERCULAR MENINGITIS.—Cases of tubercular meningitis successfully treated by the use of iodoform are reported in the *Revue In-*

ternationale des Sciences Medicales for August. The cases were said to be typical ones of the disease. The treatment consists in shaving the head and applying an ointment consisting of iodoform fifteen grains to the ounce. This is applied twice a day and the head covered with a cap. Other symptomatic remedies such as iodide and bromide of potassium, chloral, antipyrin, etc., were also used.

CURIOUS COINCIDENCE.—Dr. Smith of Newcastle N.B., sends us a copy of the "*Courrier des Provinces Maritimes*," Oct. 28, which contains the following :—Some time ago a woman gave birth to twins. These two infants took sick the same day, at the same hour, and with a similar disease. They suffered much for eight days, and both died the same day and at the same hour. They were interred in the same grave.

COCAINE ADDICTION.—If any reader of the LANCET has met with a case of Cocaine addiction and will be kind enough to send the fullest details at command to Dr. Mattison, of 314 State St. Brooklyn, N.Y., he will reimburse him for any expense incurred, and give him full credit in a coming paper.

PILLS FOR AMENORRHEA.—De Mussy recommends (*Nouv. Remed.*) the following formula :

R Salicin 1 (grs. xv)
Pulv. rhei 0.50 (grs. viiss)
Confect. rosæ q. s.

M. Ft. pill no. x. Sig. One to three daily.

EAR-ACHE.—Panesi recommends the following for Ear-ache. Camphorated chloral 5 parts, oil of sweet almonds, 10 parts, and glycerine 33 parts. This is introduced twice a day on cotton as far into the ear as possible. A little of the liniment may also be rubbed behind the ear.

REDUCED MORTALITY IN CONFINEMENTS IN VIENNA.—The death rate in confinements at Vienna General Hospital has been reduced from twenty-eight per thousand in 1866, to two per thousand in 1886, and all this by the improvement in sanitation, and the introduction of the antiseptic system.

MORTALITY FROM ANÆSTHETICS IN ENGLAND.—The number of deaths reported in England from