

between the government and a private individual for the extermination of rats on all ships coming from plague-infected ports," and in Havre and Marseilles systematic destruction of rats is carried out rigorously in accordance with a ministerial decree of May 4, 1906. At Hamburg and Bremen, the most important German ports, the disinfection of vessels and their cargoes is done with sulphur dioxide.—*Lancet-Clinic*.

The Vomiting of Pregnancy Treated by Adrenalin.

Rebaudi (*Gazz. degli Osped.*) speaks highly of his experience in the treatment of a severe case of hyperemesis gravidarum of more than two months' duration by means of adrenalin in small doses. Various remedies had been tried, and artificially-induced labor was seriously contemplated. In whatever way the drug acts—whether by neutralizing the toxins produced in pregnancy, by toning up the nervous and muscular system, as an antitonic, as a stimulant of tissue change, or as a regulator of the vasomotor system, or in any of the other methods which have been theoretically suggested—the author is convinced of its great therapeutic success in the cure of obstinate vomiting of pregnancy.

The Tuberculin Treatment of Dispensary Patients.

In the *Boston Medical and Surgical Journal* Hawes and Floyd give the following summary and conclusions as a result of their study of this subject:

1. Out of 143 patients with various forms of tuberculosis treated with tuberculin during the past four years, 19 have died, 16 have shown no improvement, while 108 have been benefited to a greater or less degree.

2. In no instance have they been able to see that tuberculin has done the slightest harm; reactions have been rare and invariably of a very mild type.

3. In incipient pulmonary tuberculosis, especially in children, tuberculin is a factor in increasing body resistance and in maintaining this resistance so as to prevent relapses. In more advanced pulmonary disease tuberculin will often alleviate distressing symptoms, prolong life, and occasionally help to arrest the process.