## JOTTINGS.

In fetid bronchitis the patient should inhale constantly the fumes of nascent chloride of ammonium. Place a soup plate containing 3 ounces of sulphuric acid on the floor of the room. Into a saucer placed near, pour 2 ounces of strong ammonia. When a tablespoonful of common salt is sprinkled upon the acid, the room is filled with dense fumes of chloride of ammonia. This is also a valuable procedure in the treatment of chronic bronchitis.

OPIUM NARCOSIS.—In opium narcosis first empty the stomach with stomach tube to prevent further absorption; then give a cup of strong, hot coffee. The latter allays nausea and acts as a physiological antidote. Keep the patient aroused by walking and the application of water, and give atropine sulphate, gr. I-50, and strychnine sulphate, gr. I-30, hypodermatically.

NEURASTHENIA.—Rest, regulated diet and exercise are indicated; bathing is of great value, as increasing elimination and for its tonic effect upon the nervous system. The salts of lithia are of service; Vichy or Hunyadi water may be used in some cases. Of tonics, the phosphorus containing compounds are our main stays. Strychnine is of value, but must be used with care. Suggestion and psychotherapy often accomplish a great deal. Morphine should not be used.

SOME APPLICATIONS OF HOT WATER.—Headache almost always yields to the simultaneous application of hot water to the feet and back of the neck. A towel folded, dipped in hot water, wrung out rapidly and applied to the stomach acts like magic in cases of colic.

There is nothing that so promptly cuts short congestion of the lungs, sore throat or rheumatism as hot water when applied promptly and thoroughly.—*Med. Mirror.* 

According to *Medical News*, a Philadelphia oculist of wide fame was recently traveling homeward from Pittsburg, when he noticed a fellow passenger, a lady, in evident distress with her eyes. Thinking that she was suffering from the presence of a cinder or other foreign body, he went to her seat and offered his services, saying that he was an oculist. She replied, quite haughtily, that she could wait until she reached Philadelphia, when she expected to consult a specialist "of some repute." The doctor humbly asked her pardon and resumed his seat. Within a few minutes of reaching his office the same young lady walked into his consulting-room.