

Dr. Naegele gives one grain of *tannin* night and morning.

Ganglion.—To break what is commonly called a ganglion, and thus disperse the tumour which is often disfiguring to the wrist, and about which we are often consulted, it is only necessary to flex the wrist so as to make the skin tense; then let the surgeon seize the hand with both of his and place both the thumbs, one above the other, on the ganglion. It is rarely that such pressure does not succeed in its object, whereas the usual way of placing the thumbs side by side, by the law of the diffusion of pressure in fluids, the two counteract each other, and there is great loss of force.

Glandular Enlargements.—An ointment of black oxide of copper is thought of great value by Prof. Hoppe, of Basle, (*Deutsche Klinik*) to discuss the various forms of glandular enlargements, so often occurring in practice. He has specially tested its virtues in indurations of the neck and of the salivary glands, goitres, and mammary enlargements.

Hydrocele.—Prof. Langenbeck, of Berlin, not being satisfied with the effects of the iodine tincture as an injection in hydrocele, has recently been employing chloroform as a substitute, with the happiest results. He finds that it produces adhesive inflammation more quickly and more surely than the old remedy. After withdrawing the fluid of hydrocele, he injects about one drachm of chloroform, which remains for a short time, and then is allowed to escape.

Porrigio.—This obstinate affection, often met with on the scalp in children, is attacked at Guy's Hospital with a prescription styled *Unguentum Metallorum*, and prepared by mixing equal parts of zinc ointment, of the dilute nitrate of mercury, and of the cerate of acetate of lead. It has been very efficacious in porrigio, impetigo, and even in favus.

Syphilis—Secondary.—M. Desmartis, of Bordeaux, declares that after a careful comparison of the effects produced by the different preparations of mercury, he has come to the conclusion that the cyanuret of mercury is of superior value, more especially in syphilis. He states that it never irritates or salivates, and where all the preparations of that metal had failed to produce benefit, that the cyanuret would restore to health, patients whose condition had seemed hopeless.

PERISCOPE.

New method of introducing medicines into the system, more especially applicable to painful local nervous affections.—Dr. Alexander Wood has been led to introduce solutions of morphia and Batley's sedative solution into the cellular tissue, as near as possible to the affected nerve, by means of the small perforating syringe, constructed by Mr. Ferguson of Giltspur street, for injecting aneurisms with perchloride of iron. Dr Wood narrated nine cases in which he had employed this method of treatment, in all with perfect safety, in some with complete, in others with partial success. As to the *modus operandi* of this method of treatment, he endeavored to show, from the experiments of Müller and others, that the