

lot of women and men who overcrowded the jail, numbering, as they did, nearly half of all the prisoners sent to that institution."

The report then goes on to state that if the present jail was improved in ventilation and the rooms rearranged and better lighted, it would meet the needs of the city for many years. It would be necessary, however, to find accommodation elsewhere for drunkards, the insane criminal, and the indigent.

RABIES.

In the *Southern California Practitioner*, March, there is an article by Young on Rabies in which among other things he calls attention to the fact that cases have followed bites by skunks. In 1875, Janeway reported ten cases on the Kansas frontier due to bites by this animal and the writer reports five cases of rabies developing among eighteen cases of bites by skunks in Arizona from May '07 to May '09; the majority of these reported cases were treated by Pasteur treatment, but there were five deaths.

The fact that this animal is almost universal in North America, that it is usually inoffensive apart from the odor and that so many cases are traceable to it makes it important that all cases in which it bites should be treated as possible cases of rabies.

A VERY GRAVE ERROR.

The experience of many of the best men of the profession, not only of the United States, but abroad, has established the clinical value of antikamnia tablets. Among those who have paid high tributes to their value and who occupy positions of great eminence, may be mentioned Dr. J. Acheson Wilkin and Dr. R. J. Blackham, practitioners of London. They have found these tablets of value in the neuralgias and nervous headaches resulting from over-work and prolonged mental strain, paroxysmal attacks of sciatica, brow-ague, painful menstruation, la grippe and allied conditions. Indeed, the practitioner who has such cases as the latter come under his observation, and who attempts their relief by opiates and stronger drugs, when such an efficient and harmless agent can be used, commits a grave error.

Experience goes to prove that two antikamnia tablets in an ounce of sherry wine, taken every two to four hours, will carry the patient through these painful periods with great satisfaction.—*Medical Reprints*, London, Eng.