

CHLORAL IN THE TREATMENT OF FURUNCLES.—A tampon saturated with the following mixture is said to be useful in the treatment of this affection :

R.—Chloral 10 grammes
Aqua.
Glycerine, aa. 20 grammes
—*Journ. of Cut. and Genito-Urinary Diseases.*

FOR HEMORRHOIDS.—

R.—Atropinæ sulphat . . . gr. iv.
Acid. tannic gr. vj.
Morphinæ sulphat . . . gr. vj.
Cocainæ hydrochlorat . . ʒ ss.
Vaselin ʒj.

M. et ft. ung.

Sig.—Apply a small quantity to the hemorrhoid after each stool.—*Rev. de Ther. Gen.—Doctors' Weekly.*

GLYCERIN FOR BURNS.—“According to Dr. Grigorescu, of Bucharest, glycerin is a perfect and lasting analgesic in the case of burns. Applied at once to the burned surface, it occasions at the instant of application a slight feeling of burning, followed by complete relief from pain. Where the wound is large, it should be kept constantly moist with glycerin. By means of this application inflammation is almost entirely avoided, and sloughing takes place gradually, leaving a much less marked scar than is the case with ordinary dressings.”—*Druggists' Circular and Chemical Gazette.*

Miscellaneous.

THE NEW REGIUS PROFESSOR OF PHYSIC IN THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE.—The appointment of Dr. Clifford Allbutt as Regius Professor in the University of Cambridge (in succession to the late Sir George Paget) will certainly come as a surprise to many. Dr. Allbutt is a distinguished physician and a clinical teacher of no small repute. He is a graduate—in both Arts and Medicine—of the university in which he now becomes professor, and has also been an examiner in Medicine. A few years ago, however, Dr. Allbutt relinquished all his appointments and gave up an extensive consulting practice at Leeds in order to accept a Commissionership in Lunacy. This office precluded him from private practice, and he fixed his abode in the metropolis. Dr. Allbutt now en-

gages for a second time in a career in which he has already attained eminence. He is an original and outspoken thinker, and gave offence to many by his vigorous onslaught on some forms of specialism in the Goulstonian Lectures delivered before the College of Physicians in 1884. A man of very wide views himself, Dr. Allbutt may be trusted to worthily fill the post Sir George Paget adorned for so many years, though he is in many respects a marked contrast to his distinguished predecessor.—*N. Y. Medical Record.*

DR. JAMES STARTIN writes (*Brit. Med. Jour.*): “My attention has lately been drawn to some obstinate cases of local eczema occurring on the foreheads of men, especially young men; and, on looking for a probable cause, I found that the ordinary leather lining of hats—that is, the part that comes next to the skin on foreheads more particularly in the high hat—is whitened and glazed with arsenic and other irritating substances. Many times I have been puzzled to know why the ordinary remedies prescribed for this peculiar cutaneous eruption, simulating eczema in every respect, would not benefit the disease.”—*Maryland Medical Journal.*

MEDICAL COUNCIL OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.—At the medical examinations held on 3rd, 4th, and 5th ult., there were six successful candidates, namely: Dr. Ferguson, Vancouver; Dr. Sproule, Victoria; Dr. LaBan, Nelson; Dr. Gordon, Vancouver; Dr. Duncan, Victoria; and Dr. Lambert, Yale. One candidate was rejected. The following are the officers elected for the year: President, Dr. W. A. DeWolf Smith, New Westminster; Vice-President, Dr. J. M. Lefevre, Vancouver; Registrar and Secretary, Dr. G. L. Milne, Victoria. The examinations are held three times a year—September, January, and May.

THE number of persons to whom anæsthetics were administered in the metropolitan hospitals of Sydney during the year 1891 was 1986. There were two deaths, one at the Moorcliff Eye Branch under chloroform, and the other at the Prince Albert Hospital under a mixture of chloroform and ether.

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