

mining the daily elimination of nitrogen in the urine and faeces. It was found that under the influence of petroleum the retention of nitrogenous matter in the system was increased. As is well known, the only method of determining the influence of any agent upon nutrition is by determining the daily body elimination of nitrogen in the urine and faeces; if a patient's retention of nitrogen is increased, the most important element of the tissues is conserved, and nutrition is correspondingly improved. Furthermore, the facts that petroleum passes through the intestines in its original form, and that it is a solvent of many remedies administered for their antiseptic and astringent influence upon the intestines, indicate a useful field for petroleum as a vehicle. The bulk of experimental and clinical evidence tends to show that petroleum is entitled to a wider field of application in medicine.

PHOSPHAGON.—While most of the compounds of phosphorus contain the substances necessary for the stimulation of lecithin production, they are therapeutically unsuitable because the nervous system is able to utilize only such phosphorus as comes to it in true organic combination. Phosphagon is a true lecithin-producing combination of phosphorized organic compounds obtained from three sources,—1st, carefully selected and thoroughly aseptic animal tissues,—2d, germinating seeds containing a form of phosphorus identical in composition with that in mother's milk,—3d, phosphorus synthetically prepared in our own laboratory. The lecithogenic and protogenic phosphorized compounds existing in Phosphagon are in shape for immediate appropriation and utilization by the nervous system, and are readily convertible into tissue lecithin, nuclein, protagon, etc. Phosphagon is thoroughly palatable and is invariably well tolerated. To each fluid ounce has been added 16 minims Tr. Nux Vomica, because of its well known tonic effect upon muscular fibre.

Phosphagon is a vitalizing nerve food and tonic in cases of Neurasthenia, General Nervous Debility, "Brain Break," Hysteria, Hystero-Epilepsy, etc. It is also of much value in Tuberculosis, Diabetes, and wasting diseases, Rachitis in children, Mental Over-exertion, Phosphatic Albuminuria, Sexual Atonicity, and in fact, whenever it is necessary to administer a lecithin-producing agent to make good any excessive drain upon the nervous system.