

CREASOTE IN DIABETES.—The *Lancet* says, two cases of diabetes have been treated with excellent results by Valentini, by means of creasote administered internally. In one case, four drops per diem were given at first, this quantity being afterwards increased to ten drops. Under this treatment the sugar disappeared, and did not return when the patient began to eat starchy food. The other patient was given six drops per diem, and did equally well.

SULPHONAL FOR NIGHT SWEATS.—This drug has been lately brought forward by Battrich, (*Thera. Monats.*) for night sweats. He gives cases, showing conclusively that its action is certain in most cases. His dose is about $7\frac{1}{2}$ grains. He considers the effect of sulfonal as equal to that of atropin, but that it is wholly free from unfavorable side-effects. Moreover its effect is lasting, the sweats of the second night being much less profuse without sulfonal.

FOR HYSTERICAL VOMITING.—The following is said, Ewald, *Rév. de Thérap.*, to be useful in the above :—

R.—Hydrochlorate of morphia, . . . 3 grs.
Hydrochlorate of cocaine, . . . 5 grs.
Tincture of belladonna, . . . 75 m
Cherry-laurel water, . . . 3vjss.—M.

SIG.—M. x-xv. each hour.

CAPILLARY PULSATION.—S. Lazarses-Barlow, of Cambridge, in a paper in the *London Pract.*, discusses the diagnostic value of capillary pulsation in heart disease. It is best observed on the mucous surface of the lip and beneath the nails. It is nearly always present in disease of the aortic semilunar valves, especially in regurgitant, and when present indicates that disease. This is important in doubtful cases, as by it we can tell whether to give digitalis or not.

LEAD POISONING.—It is sometimes very difficult to arrive at the source of the lead introduced into the system, even when its characteristic effects are well marked. We notice in an exchange that two cases which had defied detection for some time, were found to have been caused in one, by the attendant biting off of tin foil, covering the stalks in bouquets at a florists, said tin foil containing about 8% of lead; in the other by drinking beer from bottles which had been cleaned with shot.

ONTARIO MEDICAL COUNCIL EXAMINATIONS.—We beg to call attention to the notice in our advertising columns, in reference to the examinations to be held at Toronto and Kingston in September next.

BROMIDE OF POTASSIUM IN OVARIAN ACNE.—Dr. A. Jamieson (*London Pract.*) draws attention to the coincidence between acne and ovarian irritation, and its attendant menorrhagia. He treats such cases with bromide of potassium, which relieves the ovarian trouble and cures the acne.

LEONARD, of Detroit, says *The Times and Reg.*, started the idea of publishing the names of the frauds who obtain credit from medical journals for advertising and then decline to pay their bills, with an impudent, "What are you going to do about it?" The law is a tedious, troublesome, and expensive remedy, and these men know it. But there is another method which they dread, and that is *publicity*. Drs. Leonard and Daniel have rendered medical journalism and honest advertisers a service by exposing these persons.

A. R. SMART, M.D. (*Toledo Med. and Surg. Rep.*), advocates ingi-puncture for internal hæmorrhoids. After forcibly dilating the sphincters, the base of each tumor is perforated one or more times by a wire of the size of a knitting needle, heated to a dull red. The patient is put to bed for from five to seven days after the operation, and on the second the bowels are opened with a gentle enema. In four or five weeks hardly a trace of the tumors will be found; no loss of tissue and subsequent contraction; only small indurations, which will subsequently disappear.

The following is said to be (*Med. Summary*) an excellent cough syrup for children :

R—Syrup. ipecac., f5ij.
Syrup. scillæ, f5ss.
Syrup. acaciæ,
Syrup. pruni Virginia, āā . . . f5j. M.

SIG.—A teaspoonful as required.

TOBACCO HEART.—It is said (*People's Health Jour.*), that ten out of twenty candidates for cadetship at West Point were recently rejected on account of tobacco heart brought on by cigarette smoking.