

Isr  el observed convulsions in two cases and deep coma in the case of a girl 11 years of age. Temporary albuminuria and decrease in the quantity of urine have been noted by several observers. Among minor symptoms may be mentioned sneezing, œdema of the eyelids, restlessness, retention of the urine, etc. Undoubtedly the most important of all these symptoms mentioned is the lowered blood pressure and the coma and convulsions. Fortunately such effects are rare indeed, but it is necessary to be always on our guard, especially when prescribing it in typhoid, as much harm may result from its indiscriminate employment in this and other febrile diseases. Neither the dose or condition of the patient are certain guides,—individual susceptibility is very various and cannot be estimated. In children its administration should be especially watched, as in them the danger of serious nervous symptoms are more frequent.

THE PATHOLOGY OF CHRONIC ALCOHOLISM.

The extremely interesting discussion at the Pathological Society of London on the demonstrable changes brought about by alcohol on the various organs of the body, has terminated. The discussion was introduced in an able manner by Dr. Payne. Drs. Buzzard, Savage, Hadden, Sharkey, Ormerod and others contributed valuable information. The frequency of changes in the liver and peripheral nervous system, as compared to all other organs and tissues, was especially insisted on by nearly all the speakers. The interstitial origin of the hepatic changes found nearly general acceptance, while there was considerable diversity of opinion as to whether the peripheral neuritis had a parenchymatous or interstitial beginning. The infrequency of central nervous changes was prominently brought forward. The discussion will well repay a close and careful study.

COMPRESSED TABLET TRITURATES.

During the past decade the improvement in our methods of the administration of drugs has been great indeed. The most recent, and we believe the most important, improvement of all is the use of the tablet triturates, introduced by John Wyeth and Brother. In this form we have for some time prescribed