

mortem examination disclosed the presence of obstruction of both ureters by calculi, with beginning hydronephrosis on the left side.—*Medical News*.

Guaiacol in Diabetes.—Clemens (*Allg. Med. Centr. Ztg.*, No. 12; *Wien. Med. Pr.*, No. 10) speaks favorably of the action of guaiacol in the treatment of diabetes. The dose employed was from six to ten drops, three times a day, in a tablespoonful of milk or cod liver oil. It was found that a distinct influence was exerted upon both the elimination of sugar and the excretion of urine. The remedy was well borne, and its use was followed by improvement in the general condition.—*Medical News*.

Guaiacol Topically in Acute Tonsillitis.—Raymond (*Medical Record*, No. 1220, p. 364) reports successful results from topical applications of pure guaiacol in the treatment of acute tonsillitis. The application is somewhat unpleasant and attended with moderate irritation, which is not

prevented by the previous application of cocain, but the duration of which is, as a rule, but brief. Relief of pain follows almost immediately, and in cases presenting febrile symptoms a slight decline in temperature may be observed. The applications were made with a cotton swab dipped in pure guaiacol. A 50 per cent. solution in oil of sweet almonds is less efficient. The therapeutic effect appears to be more pronounced in cases of superficial or lacunar tonsillitis than in the phlegmonous variety of inflammation.—*Medical News*.

Perityphlitis.—Mannaberg (*Centralbl. f. inn Med.*, March 10th, 1894) has frequently noticed, in some 100 cases of perityphlitis treated in Nothnagel's clinic, an accentuation of the second pulmonary sound. In upward displacement of the diaphragm owing to increased abdominal contents, meteorism, ascites, etc., this accentuation is well known. This, however, is not the explanation in perityphlitis, as frequently there was no distension to speak of. The cause of it is unknown at present.—*British Medical Journal*.



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