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## CLASS-ROOM NOTES-

[From the College and Clinical Record.]

Prof. Wilson believes that the salicylates are almost specifics in *Rheumatism*.

Prof. Wilson in the treatment of *Diphtheria* with the mercurials prefers calomel.

Prof. Graham says children require a different treatment in cases of *Appendicitis* from adults.

Prof. Hare thinks *Croton Chloral* is infinitely preferable to chloral in sleeplessness due to pain.

Prof. Keen says that a dose of *Digitalis* administered before an operation will often avert a shock.

Prof. Hare says *Croton Oil* should never be employed as a purgative except in cases of extreme necessity.

Prof. Hare believes that *Digitalis* only manifests an action on the nervous system taken in poisonous doses.

The Normal Salt Solution, Prof. Keen states, is about a teaspoonful of salt dissolved well in a pint of sterilized water.

In cases of severe *Chordee* Prof. Keen states that if leeches are applied they will prove effective in reducing it.

Prof. Wilson says it is a common occurrence in cases of *Scarlet Fever* that the rash will not appear around the margins of the lip.

Prof. Keen says that *Lupus Exedens*, which appears most commonly on the face, is not tubercular, but an affection of the epithelial type.

As a *Disinfectant for Urine* in cases of gonorrhœa, Prof. Keen recommends either salol or boracic acid in ten-grain doses three times a day.

Prof. Keen says there is at present no positive symptom known by which we can diagnose between a *subdural* and an *extradural* hemorrhage.

Prof. Graham pointed out the fact that in cases of *Empyema* occurring in children, the pus is very often absorbed, but that in adults it is never absorbed.