

TREATMENT OF CYSTITIS.—Lanne-longue recommends in acute and chronic cystitis daily irrigation of the bladder with boric acid solution, followed by immediate injection of ten grms. of a two per cent. solution of iodoform in liquid paraffine; or after the washing out with the boric solution, profuse irrigation of the bladder with the following mixture:

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Iodoform	50.0
Glycerine	40.0
Gum Tragacanth	0.30
Distilled Water	10.0

Sig.—One teaspoonful to one litre of boiled tepid water. To be shaken well before injection.

You must remember that, in treating chronic gastritis, regimen is of the first importance. If the patient is given to alcoholics these must be remanded; if to gormandizing this must be stopped, for without such regimen you will do yourself harm and your patient no good. Otherwise you should have nothing to do with the case unless you regard reputation less than *revenue*: science less than *shekels*.—*Robinson*

Packing the womb with iodoform gauze, in metritis and subinvolution following labor, accomplishes four needful ends, viz.: pressure tending to produce absorption; lessening of blood supply by some cause; drainage and, lastly, antiseptis.—*Ford*.

INTERTRIGO.—Dr. W. de Garmo (*La Semaine Medicale*, No. 12, 1893), recommends the following powder as superior to all other measures in the intertrigo of children and adults:

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Powdered starch, grs.	20 (ȳiv.)
Prepared chalk, grs.	60 (ȳij.)
Burnt alum,	} aa grs. 8 (ȳij.)
Powd. boric acid,	
Carbolic acid, grs.	2 (gtts. xxx.)
Essence of lemon, grs.	1 (gtts. xv.)
Mix and reduce to an impalpable powder.	
Use as a dusting powder. — <i>Pritchard</i> .	

THE VALUE OF THE HANDS AND OF THE FINGERS.—Surgeons have often to estimate the chances of saving injured hands, and the comparative values of hands and fingers. According to a scale of value furnished by the Miner's Unions and Miners' Accident Insurance Companies of Germany, the loss of both hands is valued at 100 per cent., or the whole ability to earn a living. Losing the right hand depreciates the value of an individual as a worker 70 to 80 per cent., while the loss of the left hand represents from 60 to 70 per cent. of the earnings of both hands. The thumb is reckoned to be worth from 20 to 30 per cent. of the earnings. The first finger of the right hand is valued at from 14 to 18 per cent., that of the left hand at from 8 to 13.5 per cent. The middle finger is worth from 10 to 16 per cent. The third finger stands least of all in value; although, like other useless members of the community, it is surrounded by riches, its value is only from 7 to 9 per cent. The little finger is worth from 9 to 15 per cent. The difference in the percentages is occasioned by the difference in the trade, the first finger being, for instance, more valuable to a writer than to a digger.—*Med. News*, July 22, 1893.

TREATMENT OF HEMORRHOIDS.—Hot sitz baths daily, and application on pledgets of cotton, every three or four hours of the following:

R	Potass. iodidi	3-7.5
	Iodi puri	0.50
	Glycerine	60.0

In London alone during 1892, diagnostic errors were responsible for the sending of between four and five hundred patients not suffering from contagious diseases, to contagious disease hospitals. This was recently acknowledged by the President of the Local Government Board to the House of Commons, and is a matter of record.