

weaker during inhalation. Unpleasant after-effects and vomiting are very rare.

**TO REMOVE FISH-BONES OUT OF THE LARYNX.**—In cases where it is impossible to remove fish-bones or bone splinters out of the larynx with the ordinary methods, such as fish-bone catchers, sponge or œsophageal probang, or with the assistance of cocaine, Dr. Schliep recommends the drinking of vinegar. He based his trials on the decalcifying power of the vinegar, and found that after fifteen to twenty minutes fish-bone became quite soft. Fragments of bone require a little longer. A 1 to 5 per cent. solution of muriatic acid has also been tested as to its decalcifying properties, and found that it is more powerful than the vinegar, and would be preferred were it not that its effect upon the stomach had to be taken into consideration.—*Zahnärztliches Wochenblatt*.

**DI-ODOFORM** is a new preparation which may displace the iodoform. It possesses the qualities of iodoform, and with the advantage that it is odorless. It is a combination of iodine and carbon, and contains 4.62 parts of the latter and 95.38 of the former. It is insoluble in water, slightly in alcohol and ether, but easily dissolved in chloroform and benzine.—*Monatsschrift für Zahnheilkunde*.

**PORCELAIN AMALGAM CROWN.**—Dr. V. Nuki, of Temesvar, Hungary, makes a very simple crown. He prepares the root same as for any crown, then takes an impression and grinds a plate or rubber tooth to fit. With pivot and tooth in position, he packs a good amalgam around the pins and pivot and builds up palatine part of crown; when the amalgam is hard, he polishes it and cements it into the root. These crowns can only be used for bicuspid.—*Correspondenz Blatt*.

**NO WONDER.**—Dentist: "If you don't sit still I cannot fill your teeth; I am excited already." "But why should you be?" "I must also go to a dentist to have a tooth filled."

**AFTER** the cuspidor is washed and wiped dry, rub it with an oily rag. This will permit the blood and saliva to run off easily without leaving any trace on the funnel top.

**PAIN AFTER EXTRACTION.**—Dr. Wilson recommends as a never-failing remedy the inhaling through the nose of a strong solution of ammonia.

**A NEW USE FOR GUTTA PERCHA.**—Gutta percha can be softened almost to a liquid in boiling water to which a little glycerine has been added. In this softened state it will not only absorb tannin and chloride of iron, but also benzine, carbolic acid, salts of mercury, and other hæmostatic and antiseptic remedies. It will retain its efficiency indefinitely. After the gutta percha is saturated