## THE CANADA LANCET.

## THE INTESTINAL PARASITES.

Messrs. Battle & Co. have just issued the eighth of their series of twelve illustrations, of the Intestinal Parasites, and will send them free, to the physicians, on application.

PNEUMONIA.

"The pneumonia season is rapidly approaching. Soon the various journals will be full of the statistics of past years in regard to the prevalence and fatality of this disease. The pathology and etiology will be thoroughly gone over, but, judging by the past, most writers will have very little that is encouraging to say as regards treatment.

"Several points, nevertheless, must be kept in mind. Whatever drugs are used internally (and this depends very much upon the individual case), the patient must have plenty of fresh air. Do not be afraid of his taking cold on account of the cold air blowing across his It is now considered that this is impossible. face. Also, whatever drugs may be used, keep the body warm with suitable clothing, and use externally some preparation which will cause a comparative lessening of blood-pressure in the lungs. Cold applications, beside lowering the vitality of the patient, cause a depletion of the superficial vessels, and, consequently, increase the hyperemia in the lungs 'themselves. Our attention, then, would be drawn, per contra, to hot applications. To the most of these there are very great practical objections, such as their inconvenience, their tendency to grow cold very rapidly, and the fact that they must frequently be renewed, thereby disturbing the patient's rest to his manifest detriment.

"We have found but one form of hot application which seems to us to entirely fill the bill, and that is Antiphlogistine. By its means the vitality of the body is conserved, the blood is attracted to 'the surface, and away from the lungs (its hygroscopic action remarkably enhancing this effect), and the tone of the heart's action is maintained. Besides this, its frequent renewal is not necessary, and the patient's rest is not thereby disturbed. Practically we know 'that by its use the patient is much more comfortable, the fatality is much decreased, and, if abortion of the disease is possible, we believe it can be accomplished better by this means than by any other."—Kansas City Medical Record, October, 1905.