

nim of creosote three times daily, combined with asafoetida and rhubarb pill, of each two grains.

TO DISGUISE CASTOR OIL.

Rub up two drops oil of cinnamon with an ounce of glycerine, and add an ounce of castor oil. Children will take it and ask for more.—*Druggists' Circular.*

FOR CHAFING OF INFANTS.

Take of powdered starch two parts, white oxide of zinc one part. Make a fine, well-mixed powder. Dust the abraded places with the powder, after proper cleansing.

FORMULA FOR CORYZA.

℞ Pulv. cubeb., ʒij;
Pulv. cupri sulph., gr. ij.—M.

In one box. Snuff up a small pinch about every two hours till relieved.—*Thomas Barrows, M.D., in Medical and Surgical Reporter.*

REMEMBER that a raw egg will clear your throat of fish-bones. Put one in a little hot wine, add some sugar, and the fish-bones will slip down all the easier. P.S.—You can take the egg, wine, and sugar, anyhow. They're good as a preventive; and you don't know what moment you may get a fish-bone in your throat.—*Druggist's Circular.*

HECTIC FEVER OF PHTHISIS.

The following prescription, known as Heim's pill, and recommended by Niemeyer, has been used with excellent results at Charity Hospital, New York:—

Pulv. digitalis, ʒss.;
Pulv. ipecac.,
Pulv. opii, aa grs. v.
Ext. helenii, q. s. u. f. pil. no. xx.

Consp. pul. rad. ind. flor. S. One pill three times daily.

THE USE OF CHLORAL AS A TOPICAL APPLICATION FOR BED SORES.

M. Martineau has found that the sloughing of the integuments over bony parts can be treated, if not prevented, by the use of a solution of chloral, 1 in 100 parts of distilled water. He lays this on with a feather and lint, and in a few days the wound heals.—*The Dublin Medical Press and Circular.*

LIQUOR PICIS ALKALINUS.

Dr. L. D. Buckley, of New York, gives the following formula for this preparation, which was originally devised by his father; ℞ liquid pitch ʒij;

caustic potash ʒj; water fʒv. Mix and dissolve for external use. This mixes with water in all proportions, and only moderately discolours the skin. It dries rapidly and leaves very little stickiness. He has used it in all degrees of strength, and regards it as the best preparation of tar.—*Archives of Sci. and Pract. Med., Feb., 1873.*

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A SMALL POX HOSPITAL.

The absolute necessity which exists for an hospital in Montreal specially devoted to the reception of small pox patients has been gradually dawning upon the public for at least the past ten years. When the present detached building at the Montreal General Hospital was proposed to be erected for the reception of small pox and other contagious diseases, there were many who raised their voices against it; and not a few to-day point to a realization of the views they then advanced. It is only within the last few years, however, that the City Council have had the idea brought before them, that upon them devolved the duty of providing the necessary accommodation for small pox patients. One year and a half ago the Health Committee seemed to realize that this idea was correct, and the initiatory steps were taken to place it in the old Military Hospital building fronting the St. Lawrence on Water Street. The uprising of not only those in the immediate vicinity, but of the entire population within a radius of at least half a mile, as well as the decline of the disease, the result of the house to house vaccination which was then set on foot, shelved the matter, till this fall the reappearance of the disease brought the matter again before the Council. After discussion it has been recommended that the sum of \$50,000 should be set apart to provide the necessary accommodation for small pox patients, but how to utilize the amount is the matter which is now giving rise to a very considerable discussion. For some reason, which we probably can imagine, but for which we can have no sympathy, the Health Committee