THE CANADA LANCET.

MEDICAL PREPARATIONS

THE NEURASTHENIC INVALID.

Like the poor, the neurasthenic is "always with us," and while the stress and strain of modern life and living continue, the physician will be called upon to treat the more or less chronic invalid who exhibits all sorts of bizzare symptoms, in endless and kaleidoscopic variety. It is, of course, an easy matter to advise the physician to search out and remedy the operative cause of the disorder, but it is not always as easy to do this, especially when no organic changes are discoverable. While purely symptomatic treatment may be unscientific, it is usually essential, in order to gain and retain the confidence of the patient. There is, however, one pathologic finding in a large majority of cases, and that is anemia of greater or lesser degree. In some instances this may be found to be the essential cause of the neurotic symptoms. In any event, this condition should be corrected, and for such purpose there is no better remedy than Pepto-Mangan (Gude). When a hematinic is indicated for a nervous, cranky man, or a finicky, more or less hysterical woman, Pepto-Mangan is peculiarly serviceable, as the patient cannot consistently object to the taste, which is agreeable to every one. The digestion is not interfered with in the least, constipation is not induced, and the blood-constructing effect of the remedy is prompt and certain. It is always worthk of trial not only in the anemia of the neurasthenic invalid, but also in all conditions of blood and tissue devitalization.

THE VALUE OF GLYCO-THYMOLINE IN TREATING INTES-TINAL DISTURBANCES.

The condition of the alimentary canal in all disease of that tract is one of either congestion or depletion of the villi.

Auto-infection follows a condition of depletion, and while this condition is not the direct cause of the "self-poisoning," the restoration to normal conditions would undoubtedly prevent septic absorption.

The condition in diarrhœal diseases is one of stasis, with a great amount of exudation of serum, the villi being greatly distended.

In either case a return to normal conditions is most readily effected by an agent producing an exosmotic action—in the one case to deplete and in the other to promote the exudation necessary to wash out the intestines and prevent auto-infection.

That Glyco-Thymoline will do this effectively has been demonstrated time and time again—and many clinical reports from many physicians testify to its great power as a curative agent in all such cases.