

ICE IN DYSPNŒA.—In a letter to the *Lancet*, Dr. Dawson says he has had excellent results from the application of ice to the temples and wrists in cases of acute attacks of dyspnœa in advanced phthisis. He thinks that the lowered temperature checks tissue change, with a corresponding relief to the defective lungs.

TOOTH-ACHE.—It is said that a solution of pilocarpine, two grains to the ounce of water, injected into the temporal region, will cure neuralgia caused by bad teeth. From an eighth to a quarter of a grain seems sufficient to check the pain in the course of an hour.

ROSE COLD.—It is said that a few drops of a 4% solution of cocaine will give relief in rose cold, by its astringent action upon the vessels, as well as by producing insensibility.

M. GINJEOT states that of all measures applied locally to boils the best results are obtained from tincture iodine. He paints the boil with a thick coating, and sometimes a single application is sufficient to cause the inflammation to subside; it is better, however, to make the application several times a day for several days. He does not recommend the early opening of boils, but if evacuation of pus be necessary antiseptics should be used.

EDUCATORS will be interested in the announcement that D. C. Heath & Co. have in preparation a series of Monographs on Education. Number one of these series will be a *Bibliography of Pedagogical Literature*, carefully selected and annotated by Dr. G. Stanley Hall, Professor of Psychology and Pedagogics, Johns Hopkins University.

The following have been recommended in Angina Pectoris:

R Amyli Nitritis . . . ℥ xx
Spt. rect. . . . Fl. ʒj. M.

S. Three to five drops on sugar, every four hours.

Also

R Nitro-glycerin . . . ℥j.
Spt. vin. rect. . . . ℥c. M.

S. One drop on sugar, every four hours.

A death certificate returned to the proper authorities by a Cincinnati physician gives the cause

of death as follows: "She died with Liver disease and New Monei."

PROF. VIRCHOW has recently completed his 30th year as teacher of pathology in Berlin. He has been in active practice since 1844.

A MURAL monument is to be erected to Dr. Austin Flint, in Bellevue Hospital.

Books and Pamphlets.

A TEXT-BOOK OF PHARMACOLOGY, THERAPEUTICS AND MATERIA MEDICA. By T. Lauder Brunton, M.D., F.R.S., Lecturer on Materia Medica, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London. Philadelphia: Lea Bros. & Co.

This work has been in preparation for a number of years, and was advertised from time to time as being in press, but it was purposely delayed by the author in order to enable him to experiment on certain doubtful points regarding the mode of action of drugs, and to give the results of his investigations. The work is well and carefully written, and coming from so eminent an authority, will be fully appreciated by the profession. The physiological and therapeutical action of various drugs on the animal economy have been thoroughly tested by the author, and the results are embodied in the work. Physiological and pathological questions are discussed more fully than is customary in ordinary text books. In the second part of the work on general pharmacy the author has classed together the various pharmaceutical preparations and given lists of them for reference. We commend the work to the special attention of our readers.

A SYSTEM OF PRACTICAL MEDICINE, by American Authors. Edited by Wm. Pepper, M.D., LL.D. Prof. of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania. Vols. III and IV. Philadelphia: Lea Bros. & Co.

The two volumes of this excellent work just published are quite equal to the standard of the two preceding ones and will be heartily welcomed by the profession. The work so far has met with a very hearty reception and is creditable alike to the authors and to American medicine. We regret that we have not sufficient space at our disposal to give it the notice that its merits demand. We can only say that those who subscribe for the work