

1. The cinchona preparations have not a fixed and definite influence in causing contractions of the uterus.

2. An oxytocic action is occasionally produced by these remedies. This action depends upon idiosyncrasy; and, as in the other idiosyncratic reactions to cinchona, it is impossible to foretell, in any given subject, its manifestation.

3. There is some evidence that this action is only exerted under large doses or in debilitated subjects.

4. Cinchona and its derivatives should be employed during pregnancy with great circumspection, and should be at once withheld upon the supervention of symptoms indicating a uterine-motor influence.

FOR HÆMORRHOIDS.—Kossobudski (*Deutsche Med. Woch.*) gives the following formulæ for the treatment of hæmorrhoids. For the external variety:

R.—Chrysarobin	12 grains.
Iodoform	5 “
Extract of belladonna . .	9 “
Vaseline	1 ounce.—M.

Sig.—Wash the parts with a 2% solution of carbolic acid or a 1% solution of creolin several times daily and apply the ointment.

For the internal variety he uses the following suppositories, which cure most of the cases after two or three months' use:

R.—Chrysarobin	1½ grains.
Iodoform	⅓ grain.
Extract of belladonna . .	1 grain.
Cacao butter	30 grains.—M.

TO PREVENT MIGRAINE.—Dr. Hammerschlog, (*All. Med. Cent. Zeit.*) (*Med. Pract.*) employs the following combination for the prevention of attacks of migraine, and states that hitherto it has always proved successful:

R.—Caffeinæ citrat. . . .	gr. xv.
Phenacetin,	gr. xxx.
Sacch. albi,	gr. xv.—M.
Fiat. pulv. Div. in capsulæ—X.	

Sig.—One to be taken, in the intervals of the attacks, every two or three hours.

Phenacetin does not act so promptly when given alone. This treatment should be continued until

a decided remission occurs, which will usually be in a short time.

COCAINE IN VOMITING.—Dr. Everson, in *N. W. Med. Jour.*, says, in vomiting in pregnancy $\frac{1}{8}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ grain, three times daily, will generally be sufficient. A formula which has proved useful in my hands in the latter affection is the following:

R Cocain. hydrochlorat.	gr. $\frac{1}{8}$
Ext. nucis vomicæ	gr. $\frac{1}{6}$
Pulv. asafetida	gr. ij M.
Fiat. capsula, j.	

Sig.—Three times a day, half an hour before eating.

Cocaine will be found of value where other remedies fail. I have found it successful in those cases of vomiting of pregnancy in which the so-called specifics, oxalate of cerium, etc., have failed.

SHARP PRACTICE.—Prof. Billroth (*Times and Register*) stipulated to perform an operation on a Russian Jew, in a small town, for 5,000 marks. On making the journey, he was informed that the Jew was dead, but to render him some equivalent for his loss, an offer was made for him to treat five hospital patients at 1,000 marks each. He accepted the offer, and before starting homeward learned that one of the patients whom he had just treated was the supposed dead man, who had received the Professor's services for one-fifth the original fee.

SALICYLATE OF SODA SUPERIOR TO QUININE IN CONTROLLING FEVER OF TUBERCULOSIS.—Professor Jaquoud, of Paris (*Jour. of Am. Med. Association*), considers the salicylate of soda as the best antipyretic in febrile tuberculosis, given in a maximum dose of two grammes in twenty-four hours. A daily dose of one gramme may be continued for a long time, taking the precaution to give the patient a large quantity of water after each dose. In the light of present facts he considers it inadmissible to give the sulphate of quinine in these cases.

FEMALE PHYSICIANS IN ENGLAND.—There are at present (*Med. News*) 73 female physicians in England holding diplomas and licenses to practise. London possesses 22, other cities 34, and 17 in India are also included. The new Hospital for women has a staff composed entirely of “lady doctors,” although the consulting physicians are of