

TREATMENT OF TRACHOMA.

To the Editor of the CANADA LANCET.

SIR,—I can fully endorse all you say in favor of what you call "the new treatment of trachoma." I have had five years experience of this mechanical method, and I am satisfied it reduces the length of the treatment to less than one-third that required by the usual method.

After applying cocaine solution—16%—two or three times within fifteen or twenty minutes, I evacuate the contents of the trachomatous bodies by means of the blades of the ordinary iris forceps. The process is a combination of squeezing and stripping, care being taken of course not to lacerate the infiltrated palpebral conjunctiva. I do not usually resort to scarification, but I do not doubt it would be advantageous to puncture the larger "sago grains" before submitting them to pressure.

The treatment is followed up by either the copper sulphate or the plasma Hyd. Ox. Rub. I prefer the latter.

Respectfully,

A. M. ROSEBRUGH.

Toronto, Sept. 18th.

THE DETROIT GYNÆCOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

At the August meeting of the above, Dr. Jenks announced the sad news of the death of our honored corresponding Fellow, Dr. George A. Tye, of Chatham, Ontario.

The President, Dr. Imrie, appointed a committee to draw up suitable resolutions upon the death of Dr. G. A. Tye, and at the September meeting, the following were offered and adopted:

Whereas, this Society has learned of the recent death of Dr. George A. Tye, of Chatham, Ontario, one of its distinguished corresponding Fellows, who has met with us on several occasions and has furnished valuable contributions to our transactions; we desire, not only, to pay a tribute to his memory, but also to express as far as possible our appreciation of his many sterling qualities as a man, and of the enviable distinction he had attained as a physician and surgeon.

Resolved, That we deeply deplore his loss to the profession he had so long adorned.

Resolved, That we recognize in the character of Dr. Tye, the attributes of an accomplished physician and valued friend.

Resolved, That the family and friends of our late brother, have our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble and the accompanying resolutions be forwarded to the family of our deceased brother, and, for publication, to the medical journals of Ontario and Detroit.

E. W. JENKS, M.D. } *Committee.*
H. A. GERRY, M.D. }

After the reading of the resolutions an eloquent and touching tribute was paid to Dr. Tye as a friend, a physician and a Fellow of this Society.

(Signed) H. A. GERRY, M.D.,

Secretary.

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INFANT DIETARY.

To the Editor of the CANADA LANCET.

SIR,—I am in receipt of a letter from Thomas Leeming & Co., of New York, agents in America for Nestlé's Food, objecting to a statement made by me in the article on "Infant Dietary," in last month's LANCET. The objectionable sentence is as follows: "Henri Nestlé will tell you that his food is better for the child than the mother's milk." It was not intended to be taken literally, nor do I think that anyone would take it so. It was used in the introductory part of the paper, and was quite apart from that portion which dealt separately with the prepared food.

Some years ago a big pamphlet was distributed extensively in New York City, advertising Nestlé's food. In an address delivered to the New York State Medical Society in 1882, Dr. Jacobi, the President, discussed the pamphlet, and spoke very freely in reference thereto. The objectionable phrase used by me was an inference drawn from statements made by Dr. Jacobi. He may have been wrong in hinting at such a possible statement by Henri Nestlé; however, I have never seen the statement made in any advertisements of Nestlé's Food, and therefore desire to withdraw the statement as attributed to Henry Nestlé, to prevent any possible misunderstanding.

Yours truly,

W. J. GREIG.

Toronto, Sept. 28th, 1891.

EXCISION OF SYPHILITIC CHANCER.—In a recent issue (Aug. 1891) we made a note on the Abortion of Syphilis by excision of the initial lesion. We now give the following from a paper by Julian,