

This forms a beautiful tonic, effective, agreeable, and pleasing to the eye.

A common form, much used in both public and private practice, is the following :

Quin. sulph..... gr. j ;  
Tinct. fer. perchlor..... m. x ;  
Ac. hydrochlor. dil..... m. iij ;  
Inf. quassia.....  $\bar{3}$  j ;

Often the iron is felt to be heating, and then a little sulphate of magnesia is of service. The following is a typical prescription :

Quin. sulph..... gr. j ;  
Mag. sulph.....  $\bar{9}$  j ;  
Liq. fer persulph..... m. v ;  
Ac. sulph. dil..... m. v ;  
Inf. quassia.....  $\bar{3}$  j ;

If this lies cold on the stomach, a few drops of the tincture of capsicum may be added.

For a permanent prescription, requiring to be continued for months, a pill is the best form. It admits of a large supply of material in a small space ; the nausea of the disagreeable taste daily for months is also avoided ; it does not affect the teeth ; and it can be taken after food without attracting the attention of others, often so trying to persons in weak health. The following is a very favourite form with me :

Ac. arsenic..... gr. j ;  
Fer. sulph. exsic.....  $\bar{9}$  j ;  
Pulv. capsici.....  $\bar{3}$  j ;  
Pil. al. et myrrh..... q. s.

In pil. lx, div. l semel aut bis in die

Taken immediately after a meal, this is a digestive and tonic pill of the highest value.

One beautiful preparation of iron should not be forgotten. It is often well borne when other forms are not tolerated, and consists of the recent addition of the tincture of iron to acetate of ammonia :

Tinct. fer. perchlor..... m. x ;  
Liq. am. acet.....  $\bar{3}$  j.

It is beautiful to the eye, palatable, and, in consequence of the decomposition produced, readily assimilated.—*Louisville Med. News.*

#### THE PRESERVATION OF LEECHES.

Put them into water to which has been added thirty drops per litre (quart) of a 3 per cent. solution of salicylic acid.

#### AS PARASITICIDES IN RINGWORM OF THE SCALP.

Dr. Tilbury Fox recommends the following formula :—

Sulphate of Copper ..... 20 grains.  
Oil of Cade (ol. junip. pyrolig.) . . . 3 drachms.  
Sulphur ..... 3 drachms.  
Ammonio-chloride of mercury ..... 20 grains.  
Lard ..... 1 ounce.\*

To be well mixed together.

Or, if the scalp be very irritable :

Oil of cade..... 3 drachms.  
Sulphur ..... 3 drachms.  
Tincture of Iodine..... 3 drachms.  
Carbolic acid..... 20-40 grains.  
Lard ..... 1 ounce.

Or this lotion which is cleaner than an unguent :

Perchloride of mercury..... 6 grains.  
Tincture of Cantharides .....  $\frac{1}{2}$  ounce.  
Strong nitric acid ..... 1 drachm.  
Distilled water to make..... 6 ounces.

The application of any of these must be thorough (preferably with a tooth brush) in order to produce slight suppuration of the follicles which contributes to the loosening of the diseased hairs at whose roots the fungus lies. The applications should be made night and morning. If non-irritating parasiticides be employed, Dr. Fox regards the simultaneous employment of epilation as a *sine qua non*.

#### A SYRUP FOR LUPUS (THIRY.)

Cod Liver Oil.....  $\bar{3}$  xij. ss.  
Syrup of Bitter Orange Peel....  $\bar{3}$  xij. ss.  
Syrup of Quinine.....  $\bar{3}$  vij. ss.  
Tannate of Iron..... grs. xv.  
Essence of Anise and of Orange  
Flowers ..... q. s.

Make a mixture of which three tablespoonfuls are to be taken in the day by persons affected with lupus of the face. Repeated applications of the acid nitrate of mercury.—N. G.—*L'Union Medicale.*

#### FOR HERPES ZOSTER.

R Carbolic Acid..... m iv.  
Gelatine .....  $\bar{3}$  iij.  
Glycerine .....  $\bar{3}$  ii.  
Aq .....  $\bar{3}$  ii.

Boil to a jelly.