

DR. CHIBRET, a French oculist, reports to the Academie de Medecine that, having been obliged to remove a diseased eye from a young girl, he replaced it with one taken from a rabbit. At the time of his statement fourteen days had elapsed, and the eye had retained its vitality and was doing well.

M. LEO ERRERA considers india ink, on account of its harmlessness and its intense coloration, a valuable aid in the study of certain microscopic organisms. He has kept infusoria, etc., alive for several days in a solution of that ink, the carbonic matter having little or no effect upon the life of such objects. For making durable preparations ink diluted with water is gradually replaced by ink diluted with glycerine. Many organisms which are distinguishable with difficulty in clear water are easily observed in water charged with india ink.

EXAMINATION QUESTIONS.

WE last month gave some specimens of the way young Canadian genius wrestled with examination questions. In this number we publish a few similar flashes of genius from over the sea. They were furnished to the *Pall Mall* (pronounced *pell mell*) *Gazette* by a correspondent, who vouches for their authenticity.

Ques.—How do we get the seasons?

Ans.—The earth goes round on its axis. The earth's axis is a pole put through the centre of the sun, which turns it round, and thus we get the seasons.

The equator is a line running through the centre of the earth. At one end is the tropic of Cancer and at the other is the tropic of Capricorn.

The Nile is the only remarkable river in the world. It was discovered by Dr. Livingstone, and rises in Mungo Park.

Constantinople is on the Golden Horn; a strong fortress, has a university, and is the residence of Peter the Great. Its chief building is the Sublime Porte.