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MRS. MACKINNON'S MASSAGE INSTITUTION, 20 Walmer Road, Toronto. Telephone, Colloge 7895. Mrs. Neil MacKinnon, for many years a specialist in all branches of massage, having received her training in the Old Country, has within the past few months opened an institution in this city at the above address. All forms of massage, including electrical, electric light, and needle spray baths are administered in this institution under her personal supervision. The location of her institution is one of the best that could be desired, and there is a beautiful conservatory with a southern exposure. There is a masseur in attendance for male patients. The rooms are large and sunny, the appointments being especially tasty and well adapted for carrying on such work. Physicians are invited to visit and inspect for themselves.

To cure practically any case of bed sores: wash frequently with a solution consisting of two drams of ammonium chloride, 4 ounces of water and 12 ounces of alcohol. Dry gently and powder with stearate of zinc. Of course the patient's position should be changed frequently and rubber air cushions should be used whenever required.—*Med. Rev. of Revs.*

Painting with iodine as a means of sterilization of the skin prior to operation has now become a regular procedure. This same method is now applied successfully to the vagina prior to vaginal operations. By the aid of two specula the vaginal walls are held apart and thoroughly swabbed with ether, and then with tincture of iodine. The cervix is included in the operation. Care must be taken not to leave any iodine in the vagina. The results are said to be much superior to the ordinary methods of douching.—*Med. Rev. of Revs.*

IVY POISONING.—Dermatitis venenata, always very unpleasant and occasionally dangerous, presents as long a list of possible medicaments as is claimed for pertussis or pneumonia. Recent studies have demonstrated the cause of the irritation, and it is now known