

tin. Happy are we "Canucks" who have no Patent Rights to pay.

LIQUID SILEX.—To restore thickened Silix to its proper consistency. Put a few drops of warm water in it.—*Dental Office and Laboratory.*

D. D. S.—A degree of D. D. S., means nothing, unless it is backed up by Brains, Instruments, Office and Labor.

LUBRICATING OIL.—One of the best Lubricating Oils, is made by mixing equal parts of Sweet Oil and Coal Oil. This mixture gums less than most oils, and wears well.

USE OF PAPER FOR SURGICAL DRESSING.—Dr. Addinell Hewson, (*Penn. Hosp. Reports*), struck with the fact that paper had been used in the place of lint as a surgical dressing, in the recent campaigns of the Prussian army, tested its practicability at the Pennsylvania Hospital, and, after numerous experiments, has settled on the common newspaper as being the best and cheapest substitute for lint, linen rags, or muslin.

The advantage of economy is no small consideration, as a yard of good patent linen costs thirty-three cents, while a sheet of paper which equals that article in usefulness as a surgical dressing, costs only one cent.

Dr. Hewson uses also, Manilla paper, coated with a thin layer of yellow wax, in the place of oiled silk. In this way a saving of from four to six hundred per cent. is gained; besides affording the advantage of discarding everything appertaining to the dressings each day, by which one source, at least, of renewing contaminations experienced in the employment of oiled silk is avoided.—*Cincinnati Lancet and Observer.*

It is proposed, by the New York Medical College for women, to educate a body of professional nurses to attend freely, or for a moderate charge, persons living in boarding houses and like places, who are not able to secure regular attendance.—*Medical and Surgical Reporter.*

ANTIDOTE FOR CARBOLIC ACID.—Next to the stomach-pump, in poisoning with this acid, the best antidote is large doses of olive or almond oil, with a little castor-oil. Oil is a solvent, and therefore a diluent of carbolic acid, and may be used to stop the corrosive effect of the acid, when its action on the skin is too violent.—*Journal of Cutaneous Medicine:*