

of borax, one ounce to the pint. Dry without friction, and freely apply the benzoatic oxide of zinc ointment, then bandage the part firmly with old dry muslin which has been previously wet with a saturated aqueous solution of borax. Over this apply a bandage of oiled silk, in such a manner as to exclude the air perfectly. Let the bowels be kept regular. In the majority of cases eczema may be promptly cured by the simple exclusion of the air. Eczema of the fingers will generally yield in a few days if the air be excluded by the ordinary rubber cot.—*Med. Review.*

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With this number we commence our ninth volume. Very few of our subscribers have seen fit to discontinue, and these few are compensated for by more than double the number of new names. The fact is, few men in practice now-a-days can afford to be without a medical journal, so as to keep abreast of the times, and this one is furnished at so cheap a rate as to be within the reach of all. That the RECORD is appreciated, letters from readers attest, and not the least portion acceptable is the selected matter which has been found of considerable value by many. Every physician should keep himself informed of matters relating to the profession especially in his own country, and this we endeavor to render available by acquiring information from every possible source. Subscriptions are acknowledged in the usual manner by the date placed on the label after the address, which indicates the year up to which the RECORD has been paid for. Those in arrears will please consult the same for the amount due

us, and if they will kindly take the hint and remit, we certainly will not feel very much hurt. A word to the wise is sufficient, and therefore we expect the remittances to roll in.

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Owing to the absence of the editor in chief, who managed the details of the RECORD, we had the misfortune to overlook the index for vol. viii., which should have accompanied the last number. It will be sent with this, and therefore the omission will be remedied.

WOMAN'S HOSPITAL.

It was announced some time ago in these columns that the Woman's Hospital had been removed to the large and commodious building known as the Western Hospital. Formerly the Hospital was almost entirely conducted as a Lying-in, and was managed solely by its Medical Board. Since its removal, however, advantage has been taken of the provisions of the charter so as to include a Board of lay gentlemen as Governors, and this has been followed by the very best of results. It is seldom that any institution acquires such an energetic Committee of Management; all its members have worked with a will to place the Hospital in effective working order. The results are shown in the funds collected and the donations in kind received, a fact which also shows that the objects of the Hospital are generally appreciated by the public, and that it was really required. Though much has been done, yet it is not as fully equipped as desired, but this will only be a matter of time. In the meantime the departments are fully organized: one flat being devoted to obstetric cases, having twelve beds; another flat to special diseases of women, having eight beds. There are also eight private wards and an out-door service. Medical attendance on the public wards is provided for by a staff of attending physicians. The Committee of Management by a wise liberality permit any properly qualified physician to attend their patients in the private wards, being the only public institution which allows of this privilege with the exception of the New Hospital of Notre Dame, which, as we are informed, has lately extended the same to all practitioners. Fears were at first entertained that this Institution would be found too far away from the centre of the city, but experience proves the