

that there is a little layer of starch next to the body; then the cloth is sewn on tightly, making a perfectly skin-fitting bandage. The relief is prodigious. Private patients come back the next day, expressing their perfect satisfaction. I never touch the dressing, leaving it on for a week. This is my sole local treatment, and has been for a great number of years, and I don't ask for anything better.—*Columbus Med. Jour.*

**PATENT MEDICINES.**—The following formulæ of patent and proprietary medicines we take from the *Therap. Analyst*:

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R Podophylli, - - gr. iss.  
Aloes soc., - q.s. grs. iijss.  
Muc. acaciæ.

M. ft. mass in Pil. No. 12 div.  
Sig. 4 to 8 at night.—*New Idea.*

Castoria.

R Senna, - - ʒiv.  
Manna, - - - ʒj.  
Rochelle Salts, - - ʒj.  
Fennel, - - - ʒiss.  
Aque bullientis, - ʒviiij.  
Sugar, - - - ʒviiij.  
Ol. gaultheria, q.s.

M. Pour the water on the ingredients. Cover and macerate until cool, then strain and add the sugar and wintergreen.—*Ind. Pharmacist.*

**FOTHERGILL'S ANTI-RHEUMATIC PILLS.**—The late Dr. Fothergill used the following combination in a large proportion of his cases of chronic rheumatism:

R.—Arsenious acid 3 grains.  
Powdered guaic 3 drachms.  
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Pill of aloes and myrrh 3 drachms.

Mix and divide into 120 pills. One pill was ordered three times a day, in connection with a diet rich in fatty foods. Also, a general tonic treatment was in most cases found advisable at the outset.—*Med. News.*

**NOT EVEN JOB WAS THUS TRIED.**—A Gascon, ill with retention of urine, was suffering greatly, and his physician exhorted him to exercise a little of Job's patience. "Oh!" exclaimed the Gascon, "Job be ——! Job could always draw his water; I cannot!"

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### OPENING EXERCISES IN THE MEDICAL COLLEGES.

The medical colleges of Toronto are well filled with students who are now engaged in the routine work of the present session. The opening exercises in all were attended with a success that was exceedingly gratifying to the friends of the various institutions.

Dr. J. E. Graham and Professor Ramsay Wright spoke for the Medical Faculty of the University of Toronto, on the evening of October 1st, in the Biological Department, and extended a cordial welcome to the large body of students assembled. The admirable addresses of these gentlemen, were especially interesting on account of what they had to tell us about the various universities of Europe which they had visited during last summer. It was a great source of satisfaction to the many friends of the University to learn that we are working in the lines of the best universities of the old and new world in both a scientific and practical way.

Dr. Charles Sheard delivered the opening address for Trinity Medical College. The Doctor is deservedly popular with the students, and received a most enthusiastic and flattering reception from them. The prospects for the college are bright, and there is likely to be a large attendance.

Dr. J. T. Duncan delivered an excellent address to the students of the Woman's Medical College. The doctor has been a staunch friend of this College since its inauguration, and by his great ability and sterling worth has done much to place it on a substantial basis. There was unusual interest attached to this