

Dr. George Gow and Dr. Mallory are doing a tremendous amount of work in their special tent. They have had to do a lot of work for men outside our unit, as there are no other skilled dentists hereabouts. They work all day and every day, and are both unexcelled in their professional work, and we are very lucky to have them. So many Tommies lose their teeth at the front. This is due to the life they lead and the eating of "hard tack." Some poor chaps come in in a miserable condition, having lost their teeth and being unable to masticate their food properly, they are miserable indeed. There is no choice of diet at the front. They must eat what is given out to them and what is available, so it comes about that our dentists are doing noble work."

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## MEDICAL PREPARATIONS

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### AN IMPORTANT SILVER GERMICIDE.

There are numerous silver salts on the market. One of the most efficacious of these is believed to be the proteid-silver compound manufactured by Parke, Davis & Co. under the name of Silvol. This product occurs in scale form, has a dark lustrous appearance, and contains about 20 per cent. of metallic silver. Silvol is slightly hygroscopic, consequently is readily soluble in water. Aqueous solutions of any strength desired may be prepared from Silvol—solutions having this important advantage: they are not precipitated by proteids or alkalies or any of the reagents that commonly affect other silver compounds in solution. Moreover, Silvol solution do not coagulate albumin or precipitate the chlorides when applied to living tissue.

The user of Silvol is indicated in inflammatory affections of mucous membranes generally. It may be used locally in solutions as strong as 40 per cent. without producing pain or irritation. In acute gonorrhoea, as an abortive measure, a 20 per cent. solution may be injected every three hours, while in the routine treatment the injection of a 5 per cent. solution three times a day is recommended.

Silvol penetrates tissue and destroys pathogenic bacteria. It is non-toxic. The product is available in two forms: powder (ounce bottles) and capsules (6-grain), bottles of 50. The contents of two capsules make one-fourth ounce of a 10 per cent. solution. For application to regions where the use of an aqueous antiseptic solution is impracticable, Silvol Ointment (5 per cent.) has been devised. This ointment is marketed in collapsible tubes (two sizes) with elongated nozzle.