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NERVOUS DISEASES—SPINA ON TUBERCLE BACILLUS.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

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Diseases of the Nervous System.—There is probably no department of medicine better taught in Vienna than the nervous system. The material for teaching is abundant, and, what is much more important, the teachers are able, thorough, and hard-working men. In any large city, material for clinical purposes in this, or, in fact, in any special department of medicine, is sufficiently plentiful, if only men can be found who are both able and willing to make use of it. There are courses here on the coarse and minute anatomy of the nervous system by Professors Meynert and Exner, on the experimental physiology by Prof. Obersteiner, and on the pathology of the central nervous system by Prof. Stricker. Professors Meynert, Rosenthal, Benedikt, and docent Weiss have each their daily kliniks, at which they give clinical demonstrations of nervous cases. Prof. Nothnagel, who is the director of one of the general medical kliniks, directs special attention to nervous cases. Prof. Meynert is the director of what is called the "observation wards." Cases of epilepsy, hysteria, delirium tremens and "borderland cases" are under his charge. He also oversees and gives special instruction to those who want to work at the finer anatomy of the brain, a department he has done much to clear up by a long series of very patient and laborious investigations. Prof. Benedikt, who