

sidered, and very justly so, as amounting to malpractice.—**SLIGHT RISES OF TEMPERATURE** after an operation, even in cases which give no septic results, warn the surgeon that he is probably erring in some way, and that his methods and material should be pretty thoroughly overhauled.—**MAKE A HABIT OF** washing your hands in vinegar or dilute acetic acid before touching septic cases. Slight cuts and abrasions, whose presence was not suspected, are thus revealed, and you may better protect yourself.—**IN DISLOCATION OF ONE SIDE** of the jaw the chin is deflected away from the dislocated side. In bi-lateral dislocation the chin is advanced forward. In the former the face is distorted, while in the latter there is a peculiar expression of fear and distress.—**IT IS SOMETIMES VERY DIFFICULT** to remove foreign bodies broken off under the finger-nails. The best way is to apply carefully a ten per cent. solution of caustic potash and scrape away the softened portion. This is repeated until the foreign body is exposed.—**SEVENTY-FIVE GRAINS OF PICRIC ACID** dissolved in two ounces of alcohol, to which a quart of water is added, makes an excellent application for burns. There is nothing which deadens the pain better. It should not be used after granulation begins to take place.—**AFTER A BLOW UPON THE HEAD**, the hardened margin of a blood extravasation is sometimes mistaken for a protruding edge of fractured bone. If in doubt, press gently upon the spot steadily and continuously. If it is an extravasation it will gradually become pitted by the pressure.—**A STARCH BANDAGE** will not set so fast as a plaster one, but except for this it will do everything that may be done with the latter. Wet your bandage slightly before applying it, and then spread the starch paste over every layer. It has the great advantage that the materials for it are found in every house.—**IF YOU EXPECT** to use a thermo-cautery during an operation, see that your assistant wraps the handle in a sterilized towel before handing in to you.—**DON'T SPEND** half an hour in carefully sterilizing your hands, and then wipe them on any old towel that is lying around. Work with wet hands if you can't obtain a sterile towel.—**AN ENLARGED PROSTATE** often projects, as it were, into the bladder, thus increasing the length of the urethral canal. Hence an instrument must often be introduced farther than usual in order to reach the urine.—**LOOK AT THE FOOT** when a patient complains of enlargement of the femoral lymphatics. A suppurating ingrowing toe-nail or any other septic condition of the toe or foot is probably at