

the lung, chronic tuberculosis. Brunet injected lung extract prepared according to Brown-Séguard's formula, in doses of 3—5 c.c. (m. 48—80) subcutaneously, or else he gave 10 c.c. (m. 160) of the juice with a little water in the morning on an empty stomach. X. Arnozan confirms the good results of lung substances in these diseases, except in tuberculosis. E. Cassaet observed only a transient improvement and a favorable action on the general condition in phthisis. Grande gave a phthisical patient a dose of 4—5 grm. (gr. 60—75) of the dried organ daily for 5 months, with the result that the fever left off, the sweats and expectoration ceased and the weight increased. This author also performed experiments on animals which led to the conclusion that this application of organotherapy is of use and is worthy of extended investigation. Dried lung substance is prepared for therapeutic purposes from the lung parenchyma of young healthy sheep. The average dose is 5 grm. (gr. 75) daily.—*Merck's Annual Report*.

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### **Acidum Pyrogallicum.**

Pyrogallol has obtained, with some other remedies, a popular place in the treatment of lupus vulgaris, and the new methods of treatment by Röntgen and Finsen rays cannot completely displace it. Very favorable experiences with this drug are described by F. Veiel, who confirms the observation that pyrogallol destroys the lupoid tissues without damaging the healthy tissues. Upon this observation he bases his method of treatment, which is worthy of further trial.

For the purpose of destroying the lupoid tissues, a 10% pyrogallol-vaseline is used; this is applied for several days. Only very hypertrophic patches of lupus necessitate treatment by thermocautery and by caustic potash. The ointment is allowed to act for several days until vesication has occurred, when weaker ointments are used in its place. The lupoid tissue is destroyed, but granulation is not interfered with. The author recommends a 2% pyrogallol ointment for this purpose. The application of this is continued until all the tissues have peeled off in which there is a suspicion of lupus, until the red granulations no longer contain any grey granules (this frequently takes weeks). When this stage is reached the ointment used is made gradually weaker and weaker until the proportion of pyrogallol is only 0.1%. The use of this ointment is then continued until the cure is complete. It occasionally happens, however, that even this very weak ointment prevents the formation