

ECTHOL IN STINGS FROM BEES.

Dr. W. H. Barnett, of Huffins Texas in the Alkaloidal Clinic for November 1904 says: I am satisfied that ecthol, a combination of echi-nacea and thuja, will prevent the sting of bees from hurting one. Take dram doses every hour for three hours before he commences to work with them. The reason for the faith that is in me is this :They used to hurt me. Last summer I was taking it for a skin disease and while under its influence I was stung by a wasp on the face and neck. When stung I started to the house to get something to stop the pain and swelling that I expected to suffer with, but instead of pain and swelling as heretofore when stung, there was no more of either than a mosquito or a gnat would cause.

INTESTINAL ULCERATION.

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The patient in this case was a woman 82 years old. Her trouble was of several years' standing, during which time she had been unsuccessfully treated for various forms of gastro-intestinal affections. I found that there was a great deal of pain, at times very acute, in the region of the duodenum and a careful examination of the daily stools showed a number of black crusts which, with other symptoms, indicated an ulcer. As there was much acid fermentation and gastric disturbances, I thought the use of Glyco-Thymoline would be effective and began with table-spoonful doses every three hours. The results were wonderful. Not only were the gastric conditions corrected speedily, but the pain and soreness was lessened in the duodenal tract and the quantity of black crusts in the stools greatly lessened. I had the patient under the care of a trained nurse and told her to keep up the Glyco-Thymoline treatment and closely watch the stools and report to me daily. This was done and the improvement steadily continued until after some three weeks' treatment, there was no pain or soreness and no trace of the crusts. Her appetite had returned and she could digest and assimilate her food without any distress, something she had been unable to do for a number of years. After another week or so I found that every indication pointed to a cure and discontinued the treatment. That was over a year ago. She has not had the slightest return of the bad symptoms and her general condition is remarkably good for a woman of her age. She could not have lived six months had her trouble continued. As it is, she apparently has a number of years of life before her and as Glyco-Thymoline alone was used, the inference that it saved her life is not over strong. I cannot say too much in its praise.