

it in the worst of cases. In one of his earlier cases the plate was discharged in fifteen days, having been reduced about one third in size. The patient, nevertheless, was cured, and remains so. The author claims that as the plate disappears, it is gradually replaced by cicatricial or strong fibrous tissue that effectually plugs the opening and prevents recurrence. — *University Med. Magazine.*

Cases Showing Power of Lysol as an Antiseptic.—Case 1. I. J. W., a switchman, had his left hand caught in the draw bars and completely crushed, requiring amputation of a part of the hand. Being desirous to save all of the hand that could possibly be saved, I was guided by the bone injury rather than the contusion to the soft part. The shattered fragments of the little and ring fingers were removed, together with about one half of their corresponding metacarpal bones, and the soft parts made to cover the wound as far as possible in their bruised condition, the whole being washed with ten per cent. solution of lysol, and dressed with gauze saturated in a twenty per

cent. solution of the same. This dressing was allowed to remain nine days, and when removed the parts were found to be perfectly aseptic, notwithstanding the extensive necrosis of the contused soft parts, which was dry and hard even up to the time of separation from the living tissue. The dressing was renewed, and the hand dressed each alternate day until the patient was discharged with good use of the remainder of his hand, thus enabling him to resume his occupation.

I have had equally good results in burns where there was deep destruction of tissue.

Case 2. Was called by a brother physician to see Mrs. B., who gave a history of miscarriage at three months, some five days previous. Upon examination found temperature 104 F., pulse 120, and considerable delirium, while the discharge from the vagina was extremely offensive. With a dull curette we removed a considerable quantity of placental tissue, irrigated the uterus with a ten per cent. solution of lysol, and then, with an applicator wrapped with absorbent cotton, we swabbed the interior of the uterus with

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