

"A patient wearing this apparatus can eat and speak quite satisfactorily, and there is no dribbling of saliva, the latter being swallowed as in health."—*Edinburgh Med. Journal*.

A DARING SURGICAL OPERATION.—Professor Tillmann, of Leipzig, on April 10th, presented to the Berlin Surgical Congress the case of a patient who was regarded by the medical authorities as hopelessly consumptive. He removed the anterior chest wall and the entire lower wing of the left lung, which was affected, and thus accomplished a perfect cure. Professor Tillmann now considers consumption curable, and the Congress views his operations as a triumph of surgical science.

REMEDIES IN WHOOPING-COUGH.—Dr. Schilling (*Therap. Monatsh.*) has used inhalations of chloroform, 2 or 3 drops for each year of the child's age, with a tablespoonful of water; inhalations with phenol were less satisfactory. Dr. Steep, (*Deutsche Mediz. Wochens.*) employed bromoform, giving from 5 to 20 drops in 24 hours in very frequent doses. The mixture requires the addition of some alcohol. Pulse and temperature are not affected by bromoform and no ill effects are produced.

INSANITY CURED BY A PESSARY.—In the discussion on Dr. Benington's paper on a case of insanity cured by a pessary, Dr. Barnes mentioned an instance of a woman who was in an asylum four years without improvement. At the request of the principal he examined and found acute retroflexion, the treatment of which led to rapid and permanent cure. If a systematic examination of the genital organs were made in insane females, much avoidable suffering would be prevented.—*British Gynaecological Soc.*

ABORTING ABSCESSES.—Apply a yeast poultice to the affected parts, upon which equal parts of borate of soda, boric acid, salicylic acid and powdered tannin should be dusted. A moderate dose of calomel should be given internally. This treatment is usually sufficient to abort an abscess if it is resorted to when the local symptoms first make their appearance.

Frictions with the following ointment will also be found valuable (*Medical and Surgical Reporter*): Salicylate of bismuth, 5 ijss; lanoline, 5 vijss.—*Am. Prac. and News*.

ONE of the late Sir William Gull's favorite quotations in early life was:—

If I was a tailor,
I'd make it my pride
The best of all tailors to be:
If I was a tinker,
No tinker beside
Should mend an old kettle like me.

And later on, he often quoted the more classical words:—

If thou dost purpose aught within thy power,
Be sure thou do it, though it be but small.

IODOFORM IN CYSTITIS.—M. L. Frey, M.D., *Weiner Medin. Presse*, recommends the following:—

R. Iodoform..... ̄ xii
Glycerinæ..... ̄ x
Trigacanth..... gr. xx
Aque destillat..... ̄ iiss
M. Ft. emulsio.

Wash out the bladder well with tepid water till it comes back clear. Then inject a half pint of warm water in which has been dissolved a tablespoonful of the above emulsion. This injection should be repeated every three days. Usually four injections are sufficient to cure.

CHLORAL HYDRATE FOR CARCINOMA OF THE CERVIX.—(*Ibid.*)—This is both a narcotic and disinfectant. It will be found useful as a local application in carcinoma of the cervix. Sixty grains of chloral are dissolved in an ounce of glycerine. A tampon saturated with this is placed against the cervix and reinforced by a dry plug. These are retained from twelve to twenty-four hours. The strength of the solution may be increased as the pain indicates. The advantage of this application over the morphine suppositories commonly employed is the absence of disagreeable after-effects and constipation caused by the latter.—*Archives Gynecology*.

THE ANTISEPTIC POWER OF COFFEE.—Dr. Luderitz has recently made a number of observations on the destructive power