

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

**NITRATE OF AMYL IN EPILEPSY.**—Dr. Mitchell, in the *Medical Times*, recommends the inhalation of Nitrate of amyl to arrest the paroxysms. The attacks are not only cut short, but are lessened in frequency. No evil effect has resulted from the use of the drug, but on the contrary, the patients condition is improved, mentally and physically. He administers it by putting three or four drops in a small phial, and directing the patient to place it under the nostril and inhale the vapor.

**MEETING OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.**—The 23rd annual session will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., May 7th, 1871, at 11 a.m.

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Dr. Burrows, has been re-elected president of the Royal College of Physicians, London.

**HEMATEMESIS.**—Mr. Charles Stewart reports a case of hematemesis, in the *Edinburgh Medical Journal*, in which ergotine was successful, after the failure of the ordinary remedies, such as ice turpentine, &c. He injected about three grains of ergotine in solution in water, with a small proportion of spirit beneath the skin, covering the deltoid muscle, after which the hemorrhage immediately ceased. The above case would seem to show the great power of the hypodermic use of ergotine in arresting vascular hemorrhage, and is worthy of a more extended trial.

**APPOINTMENT.**—Peter McDonald, of the Town of Simcoe, Esquire, M.D., to be an Associate Coroner, within and for the County of Norfolk.

## SUBSCRIBERS IN ARREAR.

We beg leave to intimate that during the course of the present month, we will draw upon those subscribers who are still in arrear for the past year, through the agency of the Express Company. Our readers are aware that we have, some time since, adopted the cash in advance system, and have been successful beyond our most sanguine expectations. A few are still in arrear and we trust they will give this matter their kind and considerate attention.