

212°; pneumococcus, 136.4; staphylococcus p. aureus, 136.4; streptococcus of erysipelas, 129.2°; micrococcus Pasteurii, 140°

A RUSSIAN physician, Gluziniski, is another who has been investigating the effects of alcohol on digestion. The conclusion which he draws from his experiments is that, in reality, the ingestion of small quantities of alcohol exercises a favorable influence on the digestion in individuals in good health.

The British Medical Journal reports a case of almost fatal asphyxia in Paris, from sewer gas in a room, escaping through a fissure in the soil-pipe. Three persons were found insensible in bed and were restored only with great difficulty.

As a finish or covering for walls and ceilings pulverized stealite is coming into use. It is simply soapstone. It takes a high polish, is pearly gray in tint, is said to present the best possible surface for painting, either in oil or water-color, and what is very desirable, will neither crack nor chip. It is claimed for it that it is a non-conductor and non-absorbent; that it can be washed without injury; nails can be driven into it without damage. When subject to heat, moisture and chemical fumes it gives no smell, and it does not turn yellow with age. Hence it is specially adapted for hospitals, cellars, etc.

THE Woman's Health Protective Association of New York, a report of which has been recently issued, have manifested an admirable amount of energy and perseverance. These plucky women started out to abolish certain nuisances prejudicial to health and they did not content themselves with talk. They worked and conquered. They have accomplished wonders in the two short years, and their influence has been felt in the legislature of the state. They are encouraged now to grapple with still greater evils.

UP to the first of this month the number of plumbers registered in the London (Eng.) district had reached a total of 776, of which 126 were masters and 353 journeymen. The system is growing in favour with plumbers in all districts.

HONEY is now made, and sold under the names of 'table honey,' Swiss honey,' &c.,

consisting mainly of starch, sugar and syrup, or of mixtures of such with small quantities of real honey.

An important prosecution under the Public Health Act has recently taken place at Bolton, in England. A landlord was summoned for not causing premises of which he is the owner to be properly ventilated. The upper sashes of the windows of houses on his property were immovable and, on the occasion of the visit of the sanitary officers, the air within the tenements was foul from want of ventilation. An order was made by the court that the windows be altered, so as to afford sufficient ventilation, within three days, under a penalty of \$5 per day for non-compliance.

An investigation recently made of the milk-supply of San Francisco, *Good Health* says, showed it to be open to grave suspicions of being a potent cause of consumption. Much of the milk was found to be obtained from consumptive cows. An examination of one cow, killed for the purpose, showed the udder, lungs, liver and blood to be densely infected by germs.

THE young women of Newton, N. J., have pledged themselves to refuse the attention of all young men addicted to the use of intoxicants or tobacco in any form. "This is an example which young ladies of other towns might well imitate," says an exchange. "The plan has been successfully tried in several instances, and we believe, were it to become universal, it would be the means of greater progress towards a temperance reform than almost any other measure." The HEALTH JOURNAL believes so too. It would do more good than "prohibition."

THE inspection of meat in Berlin is a very important matter. The *Annals of Hygiene* says: Twelve veterinary surgeons are employed to stamp it before slaughter, and forty microscopic samplers are continually engaged in examining the meat exposed for sale. Besides these, one hundred experts are employed in various duties, twenty-six of whom are women.

WE believe the time is not very far distant, the *Sanitary Era* says, when the public will become awakened and will take the position, that cities like Chicago must "sanitize their sewage in some other way