

a regeneration of skin 7 centimeters by 8 in two months. In speaking of transplantations, he says: "We think that the skin of fowls, and especially of chickens, is to be recommended; it is supple, of fine texture and vascular, stretches well over the surfaces, and adheres without reabsorbing, giving important islands of epidermis which develop and spread, forming new tissue, soft and quite different from ordinary cicatricial tissue. The manual of operation which we employ in our grafts is very simple. The skin should be raised under the wing of young chickens, and should have no cellular tissue attached and no fat; the shreds should be one-half to one centimeter square; sutures are useless, the skin adhering very easily. The wound and the dressing should be rigorously aseptic. Iodoform gauze and light cotton compresses may be used." These are certainly interesting facts for the general practitioner, who often has extensive ulcerated surfaces to treat; and patients often, through ignorance of the amount of pain given in taking the grafts from the arm, decline to submit, whereas the chicken skin can always be readily obtained. We are inclined to think that this effective aid to the healing of extensive denuded surfaces is not resorted to as frequently as it should be. It not only hastens repair, but lessens the amount of cicatricial contraction which follows. Recently several operations have been reported in which the contraction that follows the healing of long-standing trachoma has been effectually overcome by transplanting mucous membrane from the lower lip.—*Digest*.

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THE TREATMENT OF BLEEDING FROM THE NOSE.—Wade recommends the expedient of Hutchinson. The hands and feet of the patient are placed in water as hot as can be borne. This will check the most obstinate epistaxis, without any ill consequences.—*Deutsche Med. Wochenschr*.

MUSCULAR RHEUMATISM.—A case of muscular rheumatism presented to the clinic was treated by giving, internally, 20-grain doses of muriate of ammonium three times a day, and externally, a liniment containing: Aquæ ammonii, f 5j; spirit rosmarini, f 3iij; liniment saponis, f 3ij. M.—*Digest*.