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Hyoscine in the dose of  $\frac{1}{100}$  of a grain is said to be of great value in the treatment of nocturnal emissions.

Bleeding is of excellent service in uremic convulsions. In the feeble it should not be used.

*Styes* may sometimes be aborted by an inunction of the yellow oxide of mercury, or by the application of a saturated solution of boracic acid. Hot compresses relieve the pain. When styes appear at frequent intervals, the internal use of sulphuret of calcium is recommended.

In treating intertrigo, so common in fat infants during warm weather, keep the affected parts clean or dusted with boracic acid. The following lotion is also very useful. Powdered calamine and oxide of zinc one drachm each. Glycerine 30 minims, alcohol two drachms. Water half a pint.

Since the introduction of *Eucaïne Hydrochlorate* into the Out-patient Surgical Department of the Jefferson Hospital, cocaine has been placed on the shelf. At one time this department used cocaine quite extensively as the means of inducing local anesthesia; but alarming symptoms from its use in some of the cases caused its banishment, and not a drop of cocaine solution has been used in this department for about a year. Prof. Brinton admires eucaïne hydrochlorate because it is rapid in action, safe, produces positive and prolonged anesthesia, and causes no serious after-effects. He never misses a chance to use it in minor surgical operations before the class. In minor operations, such as the removal of a toenail or small tumors, the amputation of a finger or a toe, the extraction of a splinter, etc., he recommends the use of from one to two drachms of a five per cent. solution hypodermically, and insists on waiting five minutes after the injection is made for complete anesthesia.

Dr. Leffmann finds chloroform the most satisfactory of the various agents suggested for preserving specimens of urine. About six or eight drops are added to each fluid ounce, and the mixture well shaken. The excess of chloroform