

MEDICAL COLLEGE AT PEKIN.

The Chinese Emergency Appeal Committee, of which Sir Robert Hart, formerly Inspector-General of Customs in China, is president, issued a non-sectarian appeal for \$500,000 for the purpose of developing a medical college in Peking and three medical schools elsewhere. The idea is to provide for a thorough medical training upon modern lines for the Chinese. It is proposed to establish training colleges for Chinese teachers within the co-operation of the missionary society represented at the Shanghai conference last year.

ACUTE PROSTATITIS.

In the treatment of acute prostatitis salicylic acid internally in five-grain doses and sanmetto in teaspoonful doses tends to diminish the source of the infection, reduce the existing inflammation and encourage resolution. The sanmetto being a mild, soothing resolvent diuretic also tends to allay the suffering of the patient. If the urine is acid, citrate of potassium in ten-grain doses will aid in relieving irritation and tenesmus. As further measures for reducing inflammation, light diet, absolute rest in bed, free movement of the bowels and local application of heat by means of sitz baths, or hot water bag, should be enjoined. If the sanmetto is kept up urinary retention is not likely to supervene, unless there is a previously hypertrophied prostate; in that case the bladder should be emptied by a soft catheter at intervals, still keeping up the use of sanmetto. The prostate should not be massaged during the inflammatory state, but during the period of resolution massage will aid the process.

CYSTITIS.

In the treatment of all cases, rest in bed, with the hips elevated, will often give more or less relief from the strangury and the constant desire to urinate; by elevating the hips the urine accumulating in the bladder flows away from the most congested and sensitive part of the bladder. Some recommend opium and belladonna to control the pain. Heat to the perineum and above the pubis, and hot sitz baths will greatly relieve the tenesmus, and to some extent lessen the congestion of the mucous membrane of the bladder. Sanmetto should be freely given, each dose in half wineglass of hot water, and if the urine is acid, potassium citrate will render the urine less irritating.