

HEMORRHOIDS.—There are two varieties of hemorrhoids, the external and the internal, and their treatment is decidedly different. The first form may consist of mere tags of skin hanging near the anal margin, or of a sacculated clot of blood (thrombotic pile) due to the rupture of a vein, situated still nearer the sphincter. When either of these becomes inflamed it produces a very painful little tumor. The best treatment for an external pile of either variety is to remove it. This is easily done, and by the hypodermic injection of a little cocain or Schleich mixture, may be made quite painless. The cutaneous tag is gently pulled out and snipped off at its base and the venous pile is split open, its contents shelled out, its anterior cauterized with pure carbolic acid and a simple antiseptic dressing applied. For this purpose Roberts prefers this ointment :

R. Carbolic acid, gr xx
Zinc ointment, $\bar{3}$ j.
M.

But the patient will not always consent to this procedure, simple as it may seem. In such a case palliative treatment must be resorted to. Hot or cold compresses, according to the patient's preferences, serve to reduce inflammation better than most drugs. Equal parts of extract belladonna and glycerin makes a soothing application, or the parts may be bathed with distilled extract of witch hazel or lead and opium wash.—*The Medicus.*

CHOREA—

R. Tinct. belladonnæ, fl. $\bar{3}$ j
Liq. potassii arsenitis, fl. $\bar{3}$ j
Syr. hypophos. comp. ad fl. $\bar{5}$ iv

M. Sigi A teaspoonful to be taken three times a day.—*Da Costa, Ex.*

SORE NIPPLES.—

R. Balsam Peru,
Tinct. arnicæ, aa $\bar{3}$ ss
Ol. amygdalæ express
Aq., calcis, aa $\bar{3}$ ss

M. Sig. Shake well, and apply to inflamed nipples with a camel's hair brush, after cleansing them with borax and water.—*Scarff, Jour. Amer. Med. Association.*