

temperature of the joint is lowered, the pain has disappeared and the joint can be freely handled. Immediately begin massage, commencing at the elbow, if the injured joint is the wrist, or the knee, if it is in the ankle, and continue for five minutes. This is to be repeated twice during the day, by some member of the family. "This is all that I do." This mixed treatment, so Dr. BRIDGES states, he has employed in many cases, and so far he has had no failure.—*Virginia Med. Semi-Monthly*.

SUBCUTANEOUS INJECTIONS OF IODIN IN THE TREATMENT OF ALBUMINURIA.—Dr. E. BOISSON (*Journal de Medecine de Paris*), remarks that some Italian and French physicians maintain that this treatment is beneficial. The following is MENELLA's formula :

R—Iodin..... 3 grains.
Potassium iodide..... q. s.
Distilled water, enough to make 20 cubic centimeters.

M. Sig.—From 1 to 2 cubic centimeters to be injected in the course of a day.

MOUSNIER's formula is as follows :

R—Iodin..... 1 drachm.
Tannin..... 15 grains.
Eucalyptol..... 600 "
Sterilized oil, enough to make 100 cubic centimeters.

M.—This is twice the strength of MENELLA's solution, consequently the amount to be injected is from a half to one cubic centimeter.—*New York Med. Jour.*

HYPERTROPHIED PROSTATE.—Early in the disease catheterization is valuable, but may be dangerous if not entirely aseptic, particularly when entrusted to the patient himself; here electrical treatment is often of great service. I use a gum elastic sound with the end cut off; it is traversed by copper terminating at one end in an olive-shaped bulb of the same metal; at the other, in a ring to which the negative rheophore can be attached. The sound is introduced into the urethra, so that the bulb is in contact with the prostatic urethra. The result of electrolyzation is a marked diminution in the size of a gland, probably due to the awakening of the dormant activity of its smooth muscle fibres. This view is confirmed by the fact that in the old-standing cases in which sclerotic changes have taken place in the prostate electricity is unavailing. I consider that electrolysis should be restricted to the early stages of hypertrophy, in which it is most valuable as determining a change in the intimate stricture of the gland. Later on, when definite and permanent retention together with other changes has supervened, perineal drainage and suprapubic cystotomy are valuable.—VAUTRIX, in *Archives d' Electricite Medical*.

MERCURY IN TUBERCULOSIS.—FOURNIER and others have recently reported surprising cures of cutaneous and osseous tuberculosis with