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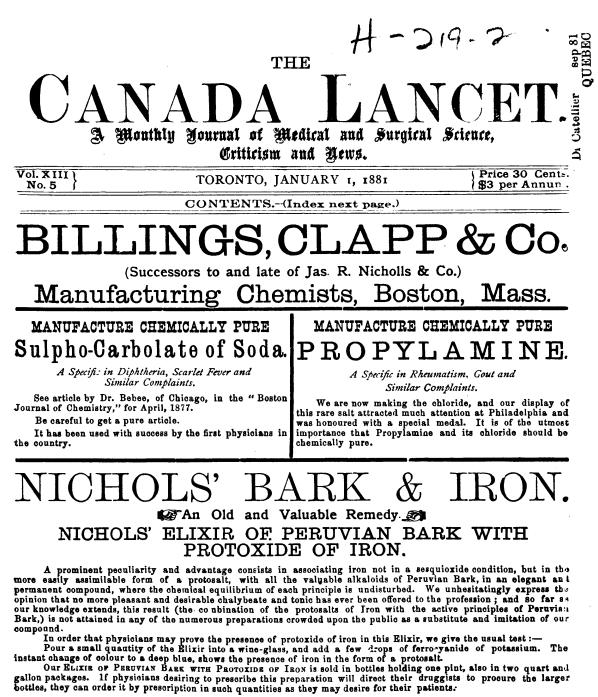
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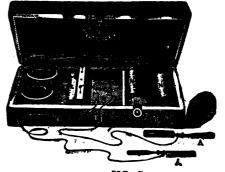
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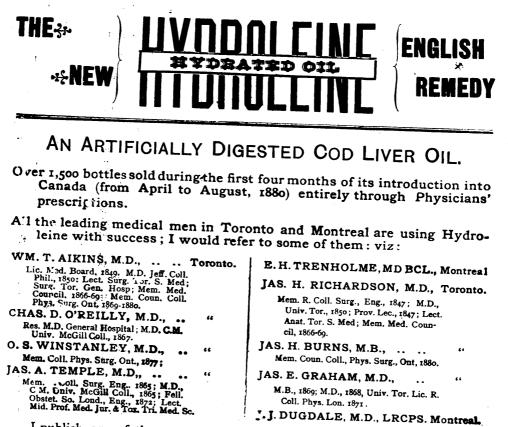
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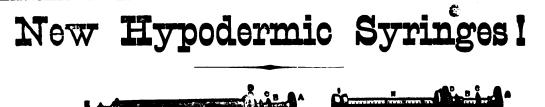
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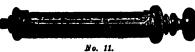
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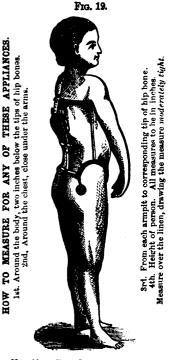
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HEADACHES, THEIR VARIETIES AND TREATMENT.

BY K. N. FENWICK, M.D., M.R.C.S., KINGSTON, ONT.

l thought it best to choose a subject for to-night which was of common occurrence, one which all of us must have had more or less experience in treatment, rather than to take a subject of which little is yet known, or perhaps only to a few whose special experience or training may have led them to more knowledge of that particular branch than another.

The subject of headache is one which we are brought in contact with every day, and should merit attention, for it is a warning always to be attended to, and which if neglected may result in organic disease.

Many people suffer from headache but never consult a physician, and as a recent writer on this subject apply says :-- "Very great is the collective amount of suffering endured by those who 'never had a day's illness in their lives.' The strong broad-shouldered man tortured with the toothache; the clever man a martyr to corns; the welllooking lady who plays without faltering her part in the world, whose life is regular as her appearance is healthy, yet on whose brow the attentive observer can detect the worn look of unrest that tells of a headache. These afford but a few illustrations of the many sufferers from the minor evils of life; those lesser miseries which have more to do with folding the furrows in our faces and ruling the wrinkles on our brows, than we are wont to admit."

Headache is not a disease but a symptom, and as such occurs in all fevers, in uræmia, in Bright's disease, and as a result of rheumatism and gout. But what I wish to draw your attention to this evening is what may be termed Idiopathic Head-

ache,—where the head pain is the most prominent and marked symptom. Now, like in every other disorder, it is well always to find out the cause if possible, for otherwise we will often be at a loss to account for the nature and severity of the pain and so fail in its relief. In order therefore to facilitate the study of headaches, it will be proper to classify the subject. The simplest arrangement is to divide headaches into functional and organic, the former being again divided into the bilious or dyspeptic, the congestive or plethoric, and the nervous cr neuralgic.

I.-FUNCTIONAL HEADACHES.

1. The Bilious or Dyspeptic headache is usually caused by imperfect mastication, bad cooking, bolting meals without a moment's interval for the stomach to attack the food while the brain is It often occurs in dyspepsia of an untaxed. atonic character and in persons of a sedentary occupation. It may also occur in the healthy and vigorous after some indiscretion in diet. It may come on a few hours after eating, or more frequently the person wakes with it after eating a late supper. The pain usually begins on one side of the head, soon spreading all over it, but rarely affecting the occiput. It is often accompanied by indistinctness of vision, dazzling spots of light, vertigo and noises in the ears, the mind being often confused, accompanied by great restlessness. The bowels are often constipated, and as the headache increases, often diarrhœa sets in, with vomiting, and relief of the headache. Sleep likewise gives relief. The feet are usually cold, the head hot, the face flushed, the tongue coated, the mouth clammy and the breath offensive. The pain shifts, and is increased by the upright position.

In treating this form of headache our attention must be directed to the condition of the stomach. An emetic will often be useful, or a blue pill followed by a saline. Rhubarb, magnesia, soda bicarb., or ammonia with some aromatic tonic will often remove the headache. Then sedentary habits should be avoided, especially if accompanied by anxiety of mind. Hurry and excitement in business, hard study, mental worry during a meal, intemperance and excessive smoking should all be obviated, and thus we will prevent a return of the headache.

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2. The Congestive or Plethoric headache usually occurs in persons of a full-blooded habit. The cheeks are red and filled with tortuous vessels; the lips are bluish, and the nose red; the pulse is quick, full and strong; the eyes are bright or suffused; the eyelids heavy; the head is hot; there is throbbing of the arteries of the neck; and there is a feeling as if the head would burst. While in the dyspeptic headache the pain is increased by the upright position, in this form of headache the pain is increased by stooping, and by bodily or mental exertion of any kind.

In treating congestive headache the dict must be attended to. Meat only once a-day. The appetite should never be entirely satisfied. Beer, spirits, coffee and stimulating food should be avoided. The head should be bathed with cold water at bedtime; should sleep with head high; and the room should be airy.

It is well always to examine the heart in these afterwards. cises, for it is often enlarged. Medicinally, a brisk purge or venesection will be best; saline diurctics are useful; a hot salt bag may be applied to the back of the head, and a mixture of potas. brom. with ergot and belladonna is very useful.

3. The Nervous or Neuralgic Headache.-Here the pain is of a plunging paroxysmal character, like toothache, and indeed it often does depend upon a rotten tooth for its exciting cause. It is often of an intermittent character, especially when due to malaria, or it may be worse at night, when it is often due to syphilis. It usually occurs in pale, thin, haggard and anæmic persons. Perhaps some poor seamstress who works from morning till night to support herself and a fatherless family, whose food is of the coarsest and poorest, because she can afford no better, whose nights are disturbed by a sick child. Some great trouble, or excitement, fatigue, flooding, suckling, or change of life may have been the exciting cause. This form of headache may, however, occur among all classes, for the rich are not without their cares. The pain is often intense, and makes the person affected feel stupid, or makes them use the expression, "If I am not soon relieved, I shall go out of my mind !" There may be nausea and vomiting, but the tongue is clean, showing it to be sympathetic. It is this form of headache we find in a moderately darkened room. in the early stages of pregnancy, while it is the congestive headache which occurs in the later stages.

Then there is a form of neuralgic headache which occurs in females just emerging on womanhood, or else at the climacteric, and is termed migraine or sick headache. It is often ushered in by sighing, yawning, or shuddering showing its resemblance to other nervous diseases, and indeed it is very apt to attack those who have some hereditary tendency to affections of the brain. Thus a grandparent of the patient may be epileptic, a brother may have been affected with stuttering, and another insane. Previous straining of the mental powers often excites an attack in such personsespecially if fatigue or excitement accompanies it. The pain is often at the top of the head or occiput, or it may be supraorbital. Nausea and vomiting are usually induced subsequently, being the effect and not the cause, for it indicates the lowest point. of nervous exhaustion. The pain often leaves a tender condition of the head for a day or two

In treating neuralgic headache, the pain may berelieved temporarily by hot or cold applications according to the feelings of the patient. If they prefer heat, then flannels wrung out of hot water; or if cold is preferable ice bags may be applied. A strong cup of tea, or that drug so similar to tea in its action, guarana in 3ss. doses repeated. Stimulants often relieve the pain, and galvanism has been recommended ; quinine, pot. brom., morphia and croton chloral often prove effectual, and tonga, a drug lately obtained by Dr. Ringer from the Fiji Isles is recommended in 3ss to 3j doses of the liquid extract. Menthol, or Japanese peppermint has lately been lauded as a local application. Then the food should contain plenty of fat as Anstie has pointed out, and milk with cod liver oil and tonics given, since this form of headache has been aptly expressed as the "prayer of the nerve for healthy blood." Valerianate of Zinc is recommend and phosphorus. If habitual constipation exists, as it often does in these cases, it should be removed. If due to uterine sympathy cimicifuga is recommended, and if syphilis is suspected it should be treated secundum artem, by mercury or potassium iodide. All exciting causes should be removed. such as dyspepsia. debility, anæmia; quiet and rest are essential, and the patient should be kept

II. ORGANIC HEADACHE.

This form of headache is characterised by being

fixed in one spot ; very sharp, constant, agonizing. It is increased by engaging the patient in conversation instead of being lessened, as in the other varieties of headache. Another very peculiar feature of organic headache is, that perfect quiet and rest do not ease the pain, as in the other varieties, and sleep does not relieve but rather aggravates it. Thus a patient while suffering from a violent attack of headache, will pass from wakefulness and suffering into a quiet easy slumber, lasting for many hours, and wake out of it with the headache worse than before. The appetite is often ravenous, there is often hiccough; vomiting is almost a uniform accompaniment; and convulsions are common. Organic headache is due either to some alteration in the brain substance or to the presence of a tumor in the brain.

There is another sign which was first pointed out by Von Graefe, and since by Bouchut, Allbutt, and Hughlings Jackson, viz : that tumors in the brain are always accompanied by double optic neuritis leading to double optic atrophy. If then we have agonizing headache, accompanied by vomiting or convulsions, the pain increased by engaging the patient in conversation, rather increased by sleep, and we find on ophthalmoscopic examination the presence of double optic neuritis, or its sequel double optic atrophy, we may be sure that the trouble is of organic origin and due to a tumor in the brain.

Dr. Walker, of Indianapolis, mentions a case of a man who had suffered from cerebral symptoms at intervals from the age of 12 until the age of 59 when he died during an attack of severe headache, vomiting, insommia, and slight mental aberration, ending in symptoms of compression, but without paralysis. He was well developed physically, and mentally had much more than average intelligence, business capacity, energy and force of character which remained unimpaired until his last illness. At post mortem a cystic tumor was found on left hemisphere close to the longitudinal fissure. It weighed $3\frac{1}{8}$ oz., and measured $5\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

The case of Dr. L., who was well known to nearly all present, furnishes another example. During his last session at college he was affected by severe frontal headache, and about that time he was examined by an oculist, who pronounced it a case of Bright's disease, partly from an oph-

thalmoscopic examination, and from the fact of tube casts being found in the urine. He never had albuminuria, but oxalate of lime was found in abundance, which probably accounts for the tube casts. The headaches increased, and vomiting and convulsions occurred, followed by anorexia and emaciation. He was taken to New York and examined by Dr. Janeway, who found double optic neuritis and pronounced it brain tumor. He has now recovered health and gained in flesh, occasionally has headaches, but is stone-blind.

Last week I had the pleasure of examining a female patient with Dr. Saunders, who had headache and convulsions some two months ago, being quite healthy before that. She now has a peculiar staggering gait, occasional headaches, and has lost the sight of the right eye. On examining with the ophthalmoscope, we found optic neuritis beautifully marked in the right eye, the pupil of which was dilated, and evidently some hypermetropia, as the direct image could be seen at some distance. On dilating the pupil of left eye with atropia the vessels of the disc were seen somewhat dilated, and signs of commencing optic neuritis.

In treating organic headaches, though we cannot always cure them, we may do something to prevent. Schoolboys and students should be warned against overstraining their mental powers. The severe struggle in competitions for prizes often causes headaches, which when neglected may lead to organic disease. In such cases complete rest, country life, sea air, with phosphorus and tonics are the remedies.

Sir Isaac Newton always found that when he worked at the theory of lunar irregularities it made his head ache, but never from any other subject. He neglected the warning and it cost him his life. It is always well to seek; in cases of organic headache, for syphilis, and try potassium iodide in large doses.

Now, in conclusion, we do not always find these varieties so well defined in every case, for they are often blended, so that a nervous and congestive headache may be combined, and a dyspeptic person may suffer from migraine or even organic disease. So we cannot treat every case alike, but each patient will require special study, and we will only be successful in the treatment of headache as we apply broad general principles, bearing in mind the habits, idiosyncrasies and constitution of each individual case.

NOTES ON CASES IN PRACTICE.

BY DANIEL PHELAN, M.D., KINGSTON, ONT.

I.-Fibroid of the Rectum.

A case of fibroid of the rectum occurring in my practice, may be of interest to the many readers of the LANCET.

Mary C., a little girl æt. 7 years, had been under my care for some weeks, suffering from general weakness, with an anæmic condition of the blood. Her mother informed me that her daughter had been in poor health for some time before she applied for assistance, and she knew no cause. She was placed under my care, and as she suffered from a scrofulous affection of the eye-lids, I prescribed ung. hydrarg. ox. rub., to be applied each night, with marked improvement, and gave codliver oil and small doses of tinct. ferri perchlor. and glycerine. The improvement being very slow, the mother informed me that the little girl complained for some time of a certain fulness in the rectum, or as she said herself, "a stick in me"; and as there was always a quantity of blood passed at each evacuation of the bowels, she attributed the cause to hæmorrhoids. It at once struck me that the cause of the debility was located there. I suggested an examination, and on my arrival next day, introduced a small speculum, which at once revealed a foreign body resembling the large round worm, ascaris lumbricoides, but which turned out later to be the pedicle of a small fibroid which I discovered, about the size of a pigeon's egg. seized it with a polypus forceps and drew the growth through the anal aperture, and having applied a ligature to the pedicle, which was about three inches long, to arrest any little hæmorrhage (she could not afford to lose any blood), I snipped it off with a pair of scissors. The hæmorrhage at each evacuation must have originated from the base of the pedicle, as the fæces exerted considerable traction-force on passing the growth in the rectum, and as hæmorrhage came at every movement of the bowels, the cause of her anæmia was apparent. Since removal she has had no hæmorrhage at stool, and under cod-liver oil and a little tonic medicine she has improved very much.

II.-Diphtheria.

Fortunately for the people of our city, diphtheria | and by destroying these organisms.

does not often occur, as in it the physician has a disease which medicine has in a large number of cases no control over, and he has therefore to trust to nourishing diet and stimulating enemata to sustain the life of his patient. As I have had a number of cases lately under my charge, I purpose giving you the mode of treatment which on the whole I have found most satisfactory. No physician pursues one mode of treatment in this disease, for when one medicine fails another is tried, and so on, till he has exhausted the routine of remedial agents, and has not infrequently indulged a little in empiricism. The medicines reputed to have effected cures in this disease are legion, and no doubt each physician has his favorite. The calcis bisulph. I have used and cannot say I have found any benefit from it as an application to the membrane, though it has a good reputation, particularly amongst German physicians. I would much prefer carbolic acid and glycerine as an application, and in a few cases I must admit the efficacy of its application, and always consider it worthy of trial. The sulpho-carbolate of soda advertised as a specific, I have employed in one case, and inasmuch as I received no beneficial result, I have lost faith in its virtue. The practice of blowing sulphur into the fauces (resorted to by every old woman on the slightest symptom of any affection of the throat), I can speak of in full appreciation of its merits in diphtheria. Atomizing the throat with sulphurous acid spray is a favorite remedy. The plan of treatment of which I can speak most favorably is that which I have employed latterly. I apply to the false membranes, with a camel's hair pencil, a solution of hydrate of chloral and glycerine (3ii. to 3i.) every four hours, and give internally :

| B.—Tinct. ferri perchlor., | |
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| Potass. chloratis., | <i>aa</i> 3ij. |
| Aquæ destillat., | ad živ.—M. |
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SIG.—Teaspoonful every 3 hours to children between the age of 3 and 6 years.

Dr. Suligmuller, a Prussian physician, claims priority in the use of potassium chlorate as an internal remedy in diphtheria, and describes the *rationale* of its action in its local influence as a mild caustic, separating the diphtheritic pseudomembrane, and in its septic influence, by affording a supply of oxygen to the blood, already withdrawn from the blood corpuscles by germs of the fungi, and by destroying these organisms.

CEREBRAL TEMPERATURE IN A PER-SON ON WHOM THE COMMON CARO-TID WAS LIGATURED.

BY PROFESSOR MARAGLIANO OF GENOA.

(TRANSLATED FROM THE ITALIA MEDICA BY JOSEPH WORKMAN, M.D., TORONTO.)

"The distinguished Professor, P. Arata, Director of Clinical Surgery in the University of Geneva, on 10th March in the present year, removed, with his wonted ability, a tumour on the right of the neck, in a person 50 years of age, named Poggi Francesco. Because of the position of the neoplasm, the operator was constrained to tie the common carotid. The operation took place at 10.30 a. m. Having on the same day become aware of the fact, I solicited from the assistant, Dr. G. Garibaldi, permission to observe the cerebral temperature of the patient, which was courteously granted, and on the same day at 4 p.m. I applied on the patient's head thermometers in Broca's method. The thermometers used were all graduated most exactly :

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The following figures were shown at the end of one hour :---

| Fronta | l re | gion, | right | ^t 35.9 [°] | °: | left | 37.6° |
|--------|------|-------|-------|--------------------------------|----|------|-------|
| Temp | | | | 34.3 | | | |
| Occipi | tal | " | "" | 36.0 | | | |
| Mean | of | mid- | half, | right | 3 | 5.4 | • |
| Do. | of | " | | left | 3 | 7. I | |

As appears evident from these figures, there was a marked difference in the right frontal and parietal regions, where the markings were much below those of the corresponding parts on the left side. There was however only a slight and normal difference between the two occipital regions.

Now, in the enormous difference between the two frontal and parietal regions, compared with the almost complete equality of the two occipital regions, we have a truly experimental demonstration of the correctness of the idea of Broca and those who follow him, in holding that the temperature revealed by the application of thermometers • on the head, is really that of the brain, and not of the skin.

It is indeed known that the cerebral cortex in the frontal and parietal region, is irrigated by the *anterior cerebral* and the *median cerebral* arteries, both branches of the internal carotid, and that hence they receive their blood from the common

carotid. When this vessel is ligatured, and blood cannot pass through it, there is produced a deficient irrigation of those parts of the cortex which are supplied by it; hence the thermal depression, in this case, on the right, and elevation on the left, where there was necessarily a compensating afflux of blood above the normal.

The occipital lobes, on the contrary, are known to be supplied by the posterior cerebrals, which are branches of the vertebral arteries, that receive their blood from the subclavian system, independently of that of the common carotid; hence, of necessity, the occipital irrigation would not be disturbed by the ligaturing of the carotid, and in that region no modification should be observed; and this was the case, for no abnormal difference was observed in the occipital lobes.

Now, if the thermometers applied to the head did not furnish to us the temperature of the brain, but that of the cutaneous integuments, then also in the occipital region the temperature should have been depressed on the right, because there the integuments are irrigated by the occipital branch of the external carotid, in which, because of the ligature on the common carotid, the circulation was necessarily disturbed.

Some may be surprised in seeing that in the right frontal and parietal region, although the temperature was relatively notably below that of the left side, it still presented a figure sufficiently high. But when we reflect that the tumor had existed a considerable time, and was very gradually developed, and compressed the carotid quite sensibly, we can understand that by means of the communicating branches, the circulation in the right hemisphere at the time of the operation, might be sufficiently sustained.

THE PRIMÆ VIÆ.

BY THOMAS W. POOLE, M.D., LINDSAY, ONT.

Primæ Viæ,—ductus Vitæ, Has e'er poet sung of thee; Of thy rich digestive juices, Of thy automatic sluices, Acting all in harmony?

Duodenal glands of Brunner, Rich as jewels in a shrine : Follicles and crypts sub-mucal, Grander far than palace, ducal; All the works of Art outshine.

Epithelial cells, columnar, Line thy arches far and wide : Sentinels, on outpost duty, Gems of protoplasmic beauty, Laved by every passing tide.

Here the villi dip their noses; Gifted with a wond'rous power, Not of smell,—but of selection, Of acceptance or rejection Of the products of the hour.

Noble villi ! Who instructs ye Thus to choose our boon, or bane, How do ye secure your treasure, How transmit it at your leisure ; Questions, yet to ask, in vain.

Organs delicate, and moulded On a microscopic plan : Working transformations mighty, Is it not the ductus vitæ, After all, that makes the man?

See that particle of butter, Now an oil globe on its way; The saliva lightly kiss'd it, But the gastric juice has miss'd it, And the purling stream has whisk'd it In a duodenal bay.

There coquetting with a portion Of the undigested rice, The hepatic fluid meets them, Pancreatic juices greet them, And they're married in a trice.

Thus emulsionized and chylous, Higher still the process goes; Villous, lacteal, lymphatic, Vital, chemical and static, 'Till to bioplasm it grows.

Primæ Viæ,—ductus Vitæ, Half thy story is unsung ; Uncongenial much that passes, Hydro-sulphurets and gasses, Fæcal matters from thee wrung.

From the folds of deep mucosa Creep a thousand tiny rills; Bearing with them as they issue, Waste of nerve, *gebris* of tissue, Else the source of many ills. Happy he whose daily promptings Urge to defecation due : Needing neither pills nor potions, Regular, as his devotior.s, Setting out on life anew.

Patient sew'r ! what wrongs oppress thee, Glutted to excess, we dine. With tasks herculean perplex thee, At unseemly times we vex thee And frustrate thy high design.

But around the deep mucosa Other structures closely cling,— Nerve and muscle fibres blending, Fine elastic tissue lending Strength and firmness to the ring.

Each performs a special function, Each has secrets of its own. Have they rivalries to smother? Do they whisper one another, What is known to them alone?

Primæ Viæ,—ductus vitæ, Let them scorn thy use who can; Source of radiant health and beauty, I my homage pay, and duty,— Thou it is that makes the man!

Correspondence.

OLIVE OIL FOR REMOVAL OF GALL STONES.

To the Editor of the CANADA LANCET.

SIR,—In the last number of the CANADA LANCET is a communication from Dr. A. Ruttan, of Napanee, bearing on a brief notice of mine in a late number of the London *Lancet*, on some cases which lately occurred in my practice, describing the action of olive oil in large doses, prescribed for biliary calculi.

In reference to this communication, I beg first to set one or two matters of a personal character in their proper light. Dr. Ruttan assumes that in sending my communication to the London *Lancet*, I was possibly if not probably actuated by the ambition of coming out in the character of a discoverer of a new remedy for gall stones, and further, of sending a communication before the learned world which the present state of our knowledge on this subject rendered quite an act of supererogation. Both assumptions are groundless. As a matter of fact, in the private note which accompanied my enclosure to the friend to whom I entrusted it, I requested that my notes should first be submitted to some of my old Professors-men well versed in medical science, or to some medical friend in London equally competent, and should either of these gentlemen deem the notes of sufficient professional interest for publication, the notes, or a brief abstract of them, might then be offered for that purpose. I took care also to give my authority for the practice in these cases. With regard to my professional relation to Dr. Ruttan in the case of Robert C., I have to correct another misapprehension. I was indeed informed that Dr. Ruttan had not long before been in attendance, but I had not the duty of coming in contact with his management of the case. I was shown the medicines Mr. C. was then taking, and was informed that he had lately received them from my former colleague, Dr. H. Yates, of Kingston. Dr. Yates had then recently removed to Quebec. Had I had an opportunity of communicating with Dr. Yates, I have not the slightest doubt, the patient not being yet relieved, and the case urgent, he would at once have given me a carte blanche to proceed in the case according to the best of my judgment. I had no hesitation therefore in acting in the case to the best of my knowledge.

I beg now to notice a few points on the criticisms of my reviewers. After his graceful complimentary introduction, Dr. Ruttan proceeds by quoting what he calls the incisive criticism of Dr. James B. Ball, of Brixton. On the use of the oil Dr. Ball remarks, and if I am not mistaken Dr. Ruttan endorses what he says, "It is probable that Dr. Kennedy might have obtained equally surprising results if he had administered similar doses to persons who had no liver symptoms whatever." The italics are mine. It is for Dr. Ball or Dr. Ruttan to prove this part of their case. In the interest of science they should do so and report their results. I cannot say as yet, from my own experience, that this effect is produced in healthy persons, having only used the oil on persons affected with liver disease. Judging simply from the analogy of the effects produced on persons affected with liver disease, my experience points me to a contrary conclusion. In the case of these persons, after the administration of the first dose or two, these bodies cease to be dis-

quantities the oil may have been given. But singularly enough when, after a shorter or a longer period, the symptoms of the presence of gall stones return, then, but not till then, do these bodies, by the same means commence again to be eliminated. The quotation proceeds, "Dr. Kennedy has offered no satisfactory proof that these bodies, which were expelled in such a wholesale and painless manner, were really gall stones." By Dr. Flint (whose personal experience is derived from the observation of a single case) and Dr. Dunglison these substances are simply called "fatty concretions." These gentlemen have not, nor has any one else, so far as I know, determined their specific constitution. Neither can I. All that I at present know is, that their expulsion is coincident with the disappearance of the symptoms of gall stones, and that they can no longer be expelled after the patient is fully relieved. Take the case of Robert C. for example. Dr. Ruttan will concede that Mr. C. had all the symptoms of one affected with gall stones, and had been treated accordingly. On the occasion referred to in my notes he took the prescribed dose. Next day there passed great numbers of what, to accommodate Dr. Ball and Dr. Ruttan, I shall call fatty concretions. On the second dose being repeated, there followed a quantity of slimy bilious-looking matter, but no more fatty concretions. Coincident with this, a very decided change took place in his general symptoms. He was able to sleep better, to take and relish his food better than he had for a long time, but above all the weekly intense paroxysms were averted. My previous experience had taught me to guard against the re-formation of the gall stones in a constitution strongly predisposed to their production. I recommended Mr. C. to use the oil at timely intervals on the first appearance of a threatening paroxysm. This he faithfully did, till he had in all consumed, in the usual doses, as much as somewhat near two gallons of oil. From being prostrated and emaciated to a very serious degree, he gradually gained in strength and improved in general health, and when I last met him in Napanee, nearly a year ago, he had gained wonderfully in flesh and was in the enjoyment of such robust health as he had not possessed for years.

first dose or two, these bodies cease to be discharged, no matter how often, or in what large tion of the olive oil into its constituent parts, margarine and oleine, some interesting points may be considered. I by no means deny the theorymay be a plausible one-but I doubt it being the true one, simply because, in ordinary circumstances, it requires a low temperature to precipitate the denser materials. However this may be, it is some time since I came to the conviction that oleine was probably that part of the oil which caused the solution or disintegration of the calculi. In a conversation, some time ago, with Professor McLean, of Ann Arbor, on the subject (some of whose colleagues in the University of Michigan have long used olive oil for biliary calculi with success), he will bear me out that I then gave this as my view. The use of oleine in a few appropriate cases may possibly set at rest the theory in Probably a smaller dose will suffice, question. and so be less objectionable to the patient. Should however the theory of the precipitation of the margarine from the oleine prove to be the true explanation of the appearance of the fatty concretions, then the conclusion which must be come to with respect to the effect of the crude oil on the calculi is, that our success has been greater than at first sight might be conjectured, and that the calculi have been, not partially, but wholly dissolved, or disintegrated, in all those cases in which by the use of the oil the evidences of the presence of the calculi have at the same time disappeared.

Two other points may be briefly noticed, with respect to the character of the criticisms of Dr. Ball and Dr. Ruttan. Both glide very lightly over the main fact in the record, namely, the relief of the patients from the suffering attendant on the presence of gall stones. Both appear to conclude that Dr. Flint's and Dr. Dunglison's use of the term "fatty concretions" to the substances passed in circumstances analogous to those recorded by me, at once and absolutely excludes the idea of any relation between the use of the oil and the relief from the symptoms of the presence of gall stones. I can only repeat on the first point, that the relief was undoubtedly obtained; and on the second, that the relief followed the expulsion of the "fatty concretions" as already described.

On the whole, then, Sir, is not the main question to me as a medical man—not the question whether the products resulting from the use of the oil is to be regarded as the debris of gall stones or may be some other undetermined fatty concre-

tions, but whether relief can be obtained by the remedy? Neither will it avail me much to know that this remedy has been long before the profession, if I am prevented from having recourse to it by the consideration that certain analogous though harmless results may be produced by it equally on the healthy and the suffering. Granted that the fatty concretions are not the debris of gall stones. yet if the discharge of them be coincident with relief from great suffering, will the patient's gratification be diminished any by being informed by one physician that the substances he has passed are in reality only stearine, by another that they are margarine, and by a third that they are nothing more than a lot of fatty concretions. I trow not-So neither on the other hand will he be very much comforted by being assured he has passed the debris of gall stones, provided his symptoms are not at the same time relieved.

Both gentlemen seem so much staggered at the wholesale number of the bodies said to have been passed in some of my cases, that this circumstance alone may have been sufficient in their view to decide the improbability of the substances being in any way related to the debris of gall stones. On the number and size of gall stones occasionally passed or found in the gall bladder, Professor Gregory remarks, "They vary greatly in size. The largest I ever saw weighed 380 grains, and waspassed by stool. Some calculi described by Mr. Brayne weighed respectively 162, 176 and 159 grains. Dr. Dix has detailed the case of a lady who passed by stool a biliary calculus weighing 278 grains, and measuring one inch and three-quarters in length, and three inches and three-quarters in circumference. The average weight of a calculus of ordinary size which the ducts will readily admit is 25 grains. When the calculi are of very small size they are often very numerous. In the Hunterian Museum, a gall bladder is preserved containing 1000 calculi."

The question has also been raised, how is it possible for the oil to reach the gall bladder? The relaxing effect of olive oil, applied externally, is a circumstance of which we occasionally take advantage. If some effect may be produced when applied in this way on an organ or part remote from the seat of application, may not its effects when used internally and necessarily passing through parts adjoining the organ designed to be acted on be proportionately decided? And when such large bodies as those described by Professor Gregory have safely passed through the ducts, where can be the impossibility or improbability of the oil finding ingress into the gall bladder, especially when the passage may be preternaturally relaxed by the frequent passage of gall stones. Since writing the foregoing, my son, Dr. A. Kennedy, has received a note from Dr. Fenwick, of Kingston, who has been kind enough to make an analysis of one of the "fatty concretions." Dr. Fenwick finds in them stearic acid, but no bile pigment nor cholesterine. It would appear therefore that the bodies are of a purely animal origin. Margarine is not present, and as to the absence of cholesterine, although it is the most common and chief ingredient in gall stones, I need not say it is not invariably present in these bodies.

Yours faithfully,

R. KENNEDY.

Bath, Dec. 9, 1880.

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THAT BLOOD CLOT.

To the Editor of the CANADA LANCET.

SIR,—In the LANCET for December appears a letter from Dr. J. Stewart, which seems to require some notice from me. The letter is so calculated to mislead (probably inadvertently so), that I wish with your permission to show that the odium Dr. Stewart would cast upon me is not deserved.

In the report of the proceedings of the Canada Medical Association in the LANCET, as well as all the other journals, it will be found that I said, in the discussion of Dr. Hingston's paper on the "Treatment of Surgical Wounds," that a "clot in a wound may sometimes become organized; but it is a clot of fibrine coloured with blood. In the report, however, published in the Canada Medical Record, which is much fuller than the others, it is also stated that I said, I "had confidence in antiseptic surgery. This report escaped my attention until a few days before the time for the next issue of the Record. I hastily wrote a letter to that journal to explain what I meant by antiseptic surgery. It was in this letter alone that I made use of the word hæmatine, a term which has frequently been employed synonymously with the "colouring matter of the blood." I had no thought of any question of a chemico-physiological nature. I wished

but to express my belief that when a clot is found in a wound undergoing organization, it is not a clot of blood where exists the blood-constituents in their normal proportion, but is principally fibrine coloured by the red property of the blood, perhaps the corpuscles unbroken, or a clot of fibrine covered by blood. It is sufficiently well known that after blood has ceased to flow from wound, liquor sanguinis stained with blood continues to be poured out, and in some cases it is very abundant, just as it may be around the fractured ends of a broken bone. Clots of this kind I have repeatedly seen becoming consolidated under ordinary open treatment of wounds, and it is for the Listerites to prove that the clots which now and then become organized under Lister's peculiar treatment are anything else.

I have explained why I wrote to the Record, and if it was not ungenerous for Dr. Stewart to transfer the discussion from that journal to the Lancet, it was at least unusual. I might also say that it was unfair for Dr. Stewart to extract a word from my letter, and use it as he did in the Lancet. The readers of the Lancet, many of them at least, not having seen my letter could not judge how far his censure was justified by the character and spirit of the whole communication. The letter was headed "Antiseptic Surgery vs. Listerism," and I desired to express as briefly and concisely as possible wherein I thought the two were different. Had I written in less haste and with deliberation, most probably I would not have employed the word to which Dr. Stewart objects. I entirely disclaim any intention of casting reflection upon individuals. I wrote as a member of the Association, on a particular subject, and I cannot but think it very ungenerous on the part of Dr. Stewart, to refer to my position as President elect of the Canada Medical Association. I have yet to learn that one in being honored by such a distinction, foregoes his right to express his views and opinions as usual.

It is all very well for Dr. Stewart to assert that Listerism "has done so much for humanity in the way of preventing death and alleviating pain;" but those who read the medical records from week to week from the United States and Great Britain must have observed that many, without the peculiarities of Listerism, have had equal if not greater success.

In your last issue is an editorial with extracts

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from the Louisville Medical News, and N. Y. Med. Record which fully bears out all I say here, or said in my letter. And I would ask all unprejudiced Listerites to read a thoughtful article from the pen of Samson Gamgee, which he published in a recent number of the British Medical Fournal, "On the Relative Merits of Different Methods of Wound Treatment."

I fear I have taken too much space already ; but I would much like you to insert the letter referred to above, to the *Medical Record*.

Respectfully,

WM. CANNIFF.

To the Editor of the CANADA MEDICAL RECORD.

Toronto, 9th Dec., 1880.

SIR,-In your excellent report of the discussion which followed the reading of Dr. Hingston's paper on the "Treatment of Surgical Wounds," at the meeting of the Canada Medical Association, I am reported as saying, that I "had confidence in antiseptic surgery." This is quite true ; but to the casual reader it might be regarded as endorsing Listerism. Nothing could be more opposite to my conviction and belief, in fact, my knowledge. On this point, as on almost every other, Dr. Hingston in his most admirable essay exactly expresses my views. To carry out Dr. Hingston's principles is to practice antiseptic surgery on correct physiological grounds, and not on visionary theories of germ putrefaction. In fact I have little patience with those who, availing themselves of the teaching of Hilton, Paget, and I may add of Gamgee and others, and by securing the requirements, by a hocus pocus proceeding necessary to allow nature to do her work of healing and restoration of tissue, endeavor to make it appear that it is by the use of germicides and the exclusion of germs that success is secured. Listerism disports itself in the robes of antisepticism; but the latter is founded on physiological and pathological grounds, while the former is a passing fashion in the practice of our profession, meanwhile beneficial to the inventor and retailers, but only ephemeral, like all fashions.

In respect to the organization of a blood clot which it is claimed Listerism will secure, I remarked that when a clot did become organized, it was not blood but fibrine colored by hæmatine. This I have often seen take place under the antiseptic treatment of *rest, ventilation* and *cleanliness*.

Yours very truly,

WM. CANNIFF, M.D., M.R.C.S. Toronto, Oct., 1880.

To the Editor of THE CANADA LANCET.

SIR,-In your issue for October appears a list of physicians in Canada, who it is alleged are holders of diplomas purchased in Philadelphia. Amongst the number my name figures with the rest, as the recipient of a purchased degree. I now wish todeny the allegation, not however supposing for a moment that the statement will injure me in the least amongst my patrons or medical confreres who know me. Still I must say that to be posted in the leading medical journal of the Province as the holder of a bogus diploma, creates in me a feeling otherwise than pleasant. During the years 1867-8-9, I attended lectures at the University of Medicine and Surgery, Philadelphia, and also the clinical lectures at the Pennsylvania Hospital, delivered by such eminent physicians and surgeons as Agnew, DaCosta, Morton, Pepper, Gerhart, Meigs, etc., and took my M.D. in the spring of 1869. I afterwards attended the medical school at Kingston, and in the spring of \871 passed the examination for the Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, and subsequently passed the examination for M.C.P.& S. of Ontario. In conclusion, I will state that I attended college at Philadelphia years before the school got into the hands of swindlers and diploma sellers, the same as my friend Dr. Morrison did, and when the school was duly recognized by our Canadian Universities and the Ontario Medical Council. I think your correspondent "Chiron" would have displayed a little more courtesy had he ascertained the facts of each case before sending you the list he did, making such indiscriminate charges. I may say that the notorious Dr. Buchanan never had any connexion with this school, either directly or indirectly. Hoping you will give this denial a place in the columns of the LANCET.

I am, yours truly,

JAMES NEWELL.

Wyoming, Ont., Dec. 15, 1880.

Beports of Societics.

TORONTO MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The President called the meeting to order at 8.30. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and adopted, Dr. Davidson was duly elected a member of the Society. Dr. C. Sheard's name was proposed as a member by Dr. Burns, and seconded by Dr. Graham.

Amongst the reports of cases Dr. Machell exhibited the stomach with a scirrhous mass surrounding the pylorus and implicating the pancreas-of a late patient of his-with the following history :--- The patient was seen first a week ago. He had for the past ten years been suffering severely from dyspepsia. Four months ago vomiting set in with an aggravation of all the symptoms; the vomiting was excessive and frequent, and consisted of the contents of the stomach, and at times of a large quantity of clear watery fluid; food was ejected almost unchanged which had been swallowed three days previously. There was constant pain in the region of the stomach; obstinate constipation and much emaciation. There was a large nodular tumour over the pyloric region of the stomach which was the seat of the pain. A few days before death the pain suddenly ceased and never reappeared. The pylorus was narrowed greatly and surrounded by a hard nodular massthe pancreas implicated, and the liver had masses of a softish gray substance scattered through it.

Dr. Oldright reported a case of triplets which occurred in his practice last night, two girls and a boy, of apparently six months-two of the placentas were united-but the third was connected to the other only by the membranes.

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Dr. Covernton read a report of a case with a drawing, of intestinal occlusion, of which the following is an abstract :---W. W.---On Sept. 2nd, 1880, received a fracture of middle third of right femur-with considerable local bruising. The fracture was treated with a long splint, and weight only cause of occlusion appears to have been the and pulley. Patient did well until the morning of the 15th, when he was awakened about daybreak with a severe attack of colic. An enema brought away a free passage from the bowels with relief of pain. At I p. m. he had another violent and prolonged attack of pain. Opium and calomel were given-abdomen tender and swollen in right inguinal region-p. 120; leeches were ordered to the inguinal region and an enema resulted in a free passage from the bowels. 17th, vomiting of a dark coffee-coloured fluid; no recurrence of spasm; abdomen tender and tympanitic; turpentine stupes, morphine, bismuth, oxalate of cerium, hydrocyanic acid and ingluvin were successively tried, but failed to relieve the symptoms. 18th,

belladonna suppositories and abdomen painted with the fluid extract, without relief; stimulants and warmth to the extremities. 19th, etherized and rectum explored manually with a negative result. 20th, hiccough, perspiration; sulph. ether, given hypodermically, and a large enema given with the tube of a stomach-pump inserted as far as the sacral promontory. After three pints of warm water were injected, the water returned slightly fæculent, as fast as forced in. Twenty minutes afterwards this injection was repeated, but the water returned perfectly clear. Patient was then enveloped in warm blankets and stimulants given. He died at 6 p. m.

Autopsy.—On opening the abdomen the ileum rolled out greatly distended. No peritonitis, no adhesive bands, no serous fluid, no fæcal smell or matter. The jejunum and ileum were then carefully traced to a point about its lower fifth where a portion of the ileum about nine inches in length was found constricted and apparently entering into the cæcum, but which was found to be a diverticle; the lumen of the contracted intestine was diminished to about the size of the point of the little finger and then became again enlarged and distended until the cæcum was reached. This was empty, the valves normal, the appendix vermiformis rudimentary, and attached to the cæcum; colon and rectum empty. The jejunum contained a coffee-coloured fluid with a slight fæcal odour. In the diverticle above the constricted intestine was a small circular spot of abraded mucous membrane surrounded by a narrow margin of pus and lymph.

W. W., had for years been subjected to frequent and severe attacks of colic, and on his yearly journeys to England, when sea sick referred his distress to a point of the abdomen which would correspond to the locality of the constriction. The pressure from above and below upon the constricted intestine by the distended portions.

Dr. Workman wished to know what practical conclusions Dr. C. drew from the treatment of the case.

Dr. Cameron suggested long-continued application of galvanism in the treatment of obstinate constipation.

Dr. Graham said that he had a case in many points resembling that of Dr. C's. His patient has attacks of obstipation from which he recoversdoes well for a while, then is suddenly attacked with severe pain, and constipation; enemata afford relief until another attack supervenes; the enemata are administered by a stomach-pump, the long tube of which is passed about 12 inches into the bowel.

Dr. Riddel related a case of a young child who

was troubled with constipation, whom he found one day rolling in great agony and apparently about to die if speedy relief was not afforded; the rectum was cleared of its contents, and a largesized catheter introduced, but the nozzle of the syringe not fitting to the catheter, Dr. R. administered the enema by using his mouth as a syringe, applying his lips to the catheter and forcing in the injection, believing in this way that he saved the child's life.

Dr. Wilson, of Stouffville, related the case of a man who fell off a load of wood and dislocated the ulna outwards, leaving the radius in situ; under chloroform he reduced it by seizing the ulna and drawing it backwards and inwards; the accident happened two weeks ago and the patient is now doing well.

Dr. Burns referred to a former communication of his on rhus toxicodendron, insisting upon the efficacy of strong brine in the treatment of the rhus eruption, and illustrated by drawings a means of recognizing the plant.

Dr. McPhedran stated that he had been induced to try a solution of 15 minims of bromine to the ounce of olive oil.

October 21st, 1880.

The meeting was called to order at 8.20. Dr. Oldright in the chair. After the minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted, Dr. Sheard was duly elected a member of the Society.

Dr. Cameron exhibited a placenta which was affected with calcareous degeneration. Two years previously the woman had miscarried. She went to her full time on this occasion and had given birth to a well formed, vigorous and healthy child.

Dr. Riddel exhibited some portions of a cancerous liver, with a large gall stone, with the following history :-- On the 24th of September last, saw Mrs.----, æt. 52, thin, without appetite, insomnolent, skin deep greenish yellow color, constipated. urine of a deep greenish yellow color and strong odor, great pain in right hypochondriac region in front, and behind in the left. A hard painful tumor was felt just below and apparently connected with the right lobe of the liver. After taking some laxative pills she had two free passages of blood and corruption, and the tumor became smaller and softer. Her condition did not improve and she died on the 12th inst. 25 hours after death the autopsy showed old adhesions of the right lobe of the liver to the peritoneum. The surface was rough, like cartilage in color and consistency; the peritoneum at the lower and posterior border was found to form the anterior wall of a large cavity which was partly empty; the intestines in the neighborhood were agglutinated. No gall bladder was found, but on the under surface of the right lobe of the liver was found a large gall stone,

slightly imbedded in the liver. The spleen was normal.

Dr. Riddel also related the following history of a case of dislocation of the radius upwards and forwards :--- A boy, 7 or 8 years of age, fell on the 30th of July last, injuring his arm; it was examined and put up by a medical man, who pronounced it fractured and sent the boy to the hospital, where he was directed to return home, and the next day two young men gave chloroform and put the arm up in splints. After making the father sign a document exonerating the doctor from all mishaps or accidents occurring to the arm while under treatment, he saw the arm at 9 p.m. of the 31st. The arm was almost straight, in longitudinal paste-board splints. After examining it he could find no fracture, but put the arm up in rectangular splints. August 20th, removed the splints and found no evidence of recent fracture. The boy had but little power over the arm. On the 24th it was noticed that flexion, extension and pronation were absent, and wrist drop present, and on examination the head of the radius was found dislocated forwards. On the 25th, under ether, the radius was reduced by rather forcible extension from the wrist and pressure upon the head of the radius. After reduction, the arm was put in longitudinal splints and allowed to hang down by the side. The splints were removed on the 16th of September; the head of the radius was in position, but there was loss of power over the muscles of the hand and forearm; by the application of friction and passive motion, this condition has gradually passed off and the arm is now greatly improved and bids fair to be as good as ever.

Dr. Carroll asked if a guarantee such as Dr. R. had caused to be signed was really any protection; he said that he had been informed that it was not.

Dr. Cameron said he believed that a guarantee protected one from the natural ill results of the accident or injury, but did not protect one from the results of carelessness. In relation to the case at present under discussion, Dr. Cameron said that he had seen it in consultation before it went to the hospital and had diagnosed dislocation outwards and backwards of the radius, but no fracture; he expressed no opinion, but asked for a consultation with an older practitioner. He explained the discrepancy of his diagnosis with that of Dr. R., by referring the change to the manipulation the arm had in the meanwhile undergone.

Dr. Oldright referred to a case of his, in which the radius was dislocated backwards, and was reduced four weeks after the accident; the arm was stiff, but frictions recovered some motions.

Dr. Graham, the other day, had a case of a boy, 6 years old, with an unreduced dislocation of both bones of the elbow inwards, of seven weeks' standing; flexion to a right angle was utterly impossible.

Dr. Canniff would like to know if the opinions

of Drs. Riddel and Cameron could not in some way be reconciled. Also as to the paralysis; was it due to a nerve lesion or to long confinement and unuse of the limb? In these cases the hand should be left free before the splints were taken off, and passive motion early induced.

Dr. Graham related a case of cancer of the stomach, in which a man had vomited some cranberries in June and August. In October, 1879, he had eaten some cranberries, and from that time he dated all his dyspeptic symptoms, and states positively that he had never, since October, 1879, taken cranberries. The berries were in a good state of preservation.

Dr. Cameron wished to ask the Society what was the proper course of treatment in irritant poisoning by shellfish. He had a family who sent for him early this morning, all suffering more or less from gastro-enteritis, the result of a lobster supper the night before. He had given sulphurous acid, with a view to check the further growth of any fungus which may have been in the lobster at its ingestion. according as the sclerosed patches were situated in the brain, the cord, or both. In the first or cerebral form, there are vertigo and mental disturbance; in the spinal, tremor, contraction and paresis; and in the cerebro-spinal, a combination of the symptoms of the other two. Then taking up the various symptoms, he showed how to diagnose between the tremors of sclerosis, paralysis agitans, and the choreic movements. The affections of the eye are

Dr. Workman then occupied the chair for a few moments, when Dr. Oldright reported the following case :—A. H. was suffering from violent abdominal pains. In two or three days she so far recovered as to be able to walk a considerable distance. The next morning she had a relapse, though the symptoms were not alarming. The following morning she was found dead. A post mortem was held, with negative results. The intestines were injected and somewhat glued together; no other signs of peritonitis; the heart walls were very thin; brain surface congested. It was thought that she died of cardiac syncope.

Dr. Riddel mentioned a case of death from syncope, where the brain was congested. Dr. Carroll wished to know if a person might not die of nightmare.

Dr. Graham then related the following history : —A. H., æt. 67. Family history good, said to be of temperate habits. Nine years ago complained of weakness of the legs, which slowly increased ; in 1879, dull pains across the front of the thigh and forearm, extending down to the toes and fingers ; the right leg is the worst. Six weeks after the appearance of these pains, was prostrated by what he calls nervous fever, which left him paralyzed on the left side. He is a large, powerful man, with difficulty of articulation ; if supported, walks with a peculiar gait ; no paralysis at present ; tendon reflex well marked ; eyes prominent ; pupils contracted ; has had diplopia.

Dr. Graham then read a paper upon disseminated sclerosis. He entered upon the subject by giving the history of the following typical case :--Mr. P., æt. 45. Family history good, by occupation a farmer; had an attack of inflammatory rheumatism and enteric fever eight years ago; four years ago

he had erysipelas of the face; the present disease dates from that time, and began with shooting pains about the knuckles and stiffness in the fingers of the left hand, vertigo and failure of his voice. He is a tall, thin man; eyes staring; left hand and arm weak and stiff; no wasting; stiffness due to muscular contraction. The right leg has been affected in the same way, the pain following the course of the sciatic nerve. Has muscular tremors, rhythmical in character, increased by excitement and exertion. Speaks in a peculiar drawling manner; intellect and memory failed greatly; peculiar gait. He was treated by constant current and iodide of potassium. He then took up Charcot's division, according as the sclerosed patches were situated in the brain, the cord, or both. In the first or cerebral form, there are vertigo and mental disturbance; in the spinal, tremor, contraction and paresis; and in the cerebro-spinal, a combination of the symptoms of the other two. Then taking up the various symptoms, he showed how to diagnose between the reic movements. The affections of the eye are indistinctness, diplopia, and nystagmus. The speech is drawling, and a pause between each word. Vertigo, according to Bristowe, is an early and frequent symptom. Paresis, particularly of the lower extremity, is early, and is dependent upon the situation in the cord of the sclerosed patches, and gradually increases until complete paralysis ensues. Contractions are spontaneous or due to sudden excitement; occur at intervals, which become closer, until perfect contracture remains. Charcot divides the disease into three stages: from the first appearance of the symptoms until rigidity; from this to failure of nutritive functions, and from thence till death. During the course of the disease, apoplectiform seizures are common and often fatal. They differ from true apoplexy, as in the latter the temperature falls, in the former it rises. The disease generally comes on between the ages of 25 and 30, is more frequent in females; is caused by exposure, hardships and moral influences. The prognosis is very gloomy. The sclerosed patches are due to chronic cerebritis; small at first, they extend and are generally found in the white matter. The nerve elements are wasted and supplied by a hyaline and granular matter. The tremors are, according to Charcot, due to the denuded condition of the axis cylinders, which are deprived of their medullary sheath.

Dr. Canniff then read a resolution, passed at the late meeting of the Dominion Medical Association, relative to Public Health Legislation, and after a short discussion, it was moved by Dr. Winstanley, seconded by Dr. Robinson, and carried unanimously, — "That the Toronto Medical Society heartily endorses the Resolution of the Dominion Medical Association, in regard to public health legislation."

ELGIN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

A regular meeting of the Elgin Medical Association was held at St. Thomas on November 24th. Present :--Drs. Going, Williams, Vanbuskirk, Mc-Lay, D. McLarty, Tweedale, Sinclair, C. McLarty, W. E. Smith, Cross, Kains, Fulton and R. W. B. Smith.

The first order of business was the reading of the inaugural address of the President, Dr. F. B. Going, of St. Thomas. The address, which was most suitable for the occasion, referred to the objects of the Association and exhorted the members of the profession to take a lively interest in its welfare. One paragraph from the address was, "I think it is needless to enter much into the relations we owe to one another in our daily practice, as we have fully laid down in our code of ethics the course we should pursue, and which, if fully and conscientiously carried out, should enable us at all times to meet our brethren on the most friendly terms and rise above the little jealousies that are so apt to separate us, one from another, and which our friends outside the profession are but too glad to magnify and increase."

The address was highly appreciated by the Association, and a cordial vote of thanks tendered to the President for the same.

Dr. Vanbuskirk read an interesting and elaborate paper on "The Etiology and Pathology of Puerperal Fever." The discussion which followed was taken part in by all the members present, and the pleasant interchange of opinions which followed added largely to the interest of the meeting. The paper was well received, and Dr. Vanbuskirk was the recipient of the most cordial thanks of the meeting for his contribution.

The Secretary read a communication from Dr. J. E. White, of Toronto, regarding the formation of a Provincial Medical Association.

Dr. W. E. Smith moved, and Dr. Vanbuskirk seconded,—"That in the opinion of this Association, it is desirable to recommend the formation of a Provincial Medical Association, in accordance with the objects stated in the communication of Dr. White."—Carried.

Dr. D. McLarty, of St. Thomas, was appointed to read a paper at the next meeting, which will be held at St. Thomas on Wednesday, January 11th, 1881, at 2 p.m.

R. W. B. SMITH, Sec.

CATARAQUI MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the above society was held at the residence of Dr. Dupuis, the following members being present: The President, Dr. Dickson; Drs. Dupuis, Sullivan, A. S. Oliver, Phelan, McCammon, K. N. Fenwick, Dunlop, Middleton, Henderson, and Montgomery.

After the minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. It was moved by Dr. Sullivan and seconded by Dr. Dunlop, that the Executive Committee be requested to submit to the next meeting of this society any amendments to the present tariff that they may think necessary. Carried.

Dr. Henderson then read a paper on "Therapeutics," illustrating his remarks by the most recent appliances for the treatment of Catarrh. Drs. Sullivan, Dupuis, and Oliver commented at length on the remedy mentioned, and obtained very favourable results from its extensive use both in private and hospital practice.

Dr. Fenwick exhibited a galvanic cautery apparatus and showed a patient upon whom he had operated with great success. Dr. Sparks, of Kingston, and Dr. A. Kennedy, of Bath, were proposed and elected members of this society, and Dr. Phelan was requested to prepare a paper for the next meeting.

Dr. McCammon invited the society to hold their next meeting at his residence, on the 1st Friday in January, and the meeting then adjourned, all feeling highly pleased with the innovation made by Dr. Dupuis, who has all along contributed very materially to the advancement of the interests of the society.

Selected Articles.

THE USES OF IODOFORM.

Dr. Howard in the *Chicago Medical Review*, gives the following :---

The value of iodoform as a topical application has been before the profession for a considerable time, but I am convinced that it is not even yet appreciated by the majority, who have a rather indefinite idea that it is useful, and a very imperfect notion of the extent and scope of its usefulness. My own experience with this agent has been so satisfactory that I have come gradually to look upon it as the very best at our command for the healing of ulcerated, eroded, granulated and abraded surfaces, which have for any reason too little inclination to take on healthy action, and which, therefore, require some alterative or stimulative impetus. I shall, therefore, designate, in a few words, some of the conditions in which I have found it useful.

CHANCRE AND CHANCROID.

Take iodoform 100 parts, sugar of milk 200 parts, thymol 1 part. Let the above be thoroughly mixed and reduced to an impalpable powder. The glands and prepuce must be thoroughly clean and dry. Then pack the ulcerated surfaces full with this powder, dust it over the surrounding parts, and secure it with a light bandage. Repeat the application as often as the parts become moist from new discharges. Ordinarily, about three applications will be required every day, for the first two or three days, then as healing continues, they may be continued less frequently. A fair trial of this method, I am certain, will convince any one of its superiority.

HERPES CIRCINATA, HERPES ZOSTER, AND HERPES OF THE PREPUCE.

Dissolve one dram of iodoform in one-half ounce of the oil of eucalyptus, and paint the diseased surface with this solution. Two or three applications will usually affect a cure.

GRANULATED LIDS.

Apply iodoform and sugar of milk, one part to five parts, directly to the everted lids with a soft brush. This occasions no smarting or pain, and often cures cases of months' standing in two or three weeks. The thymol should not be used in these cases, as it irritates and produces pain.

GRANULAR PHARYNGITIS.

The same powder as indicated for chancre and chancroid may here be employed with an insuffiator, thoroughly, at bed-time. The most obstinate cases will often yield promptly to this course.

CHRONIC ULCERS OF THE LEG, CRACKED NIPPLES, AND ALL KINDS OF INDOLENT ULCERS WITH RAISED EDGES.

Prepare an ointment containing one-half drachm of iodoform in an ounce of cosmoline, and apply frequently, after having previously thoroughly cleansed the parts. The well known and popular addition of the balsam Peru to this ointment masks the odor and adds to its value. I would add that the above is an auxiliary, not a substitute, for the ordinary methods of applying pressure, such as strapping and bandaging, which should not be omitted.

UTERINE CATARRH.

For uterine catarrh, or, as it is improperly called, endometritis,-I refer to those cases in which there is congestion, and a consequent discharge, with some enlargement, and an erosion extending up into the canal-I employ a suppository, which is made and applied in the following manner: Mix one-half drachm of finely powdered iodoform with one ounce of the butter of cocoa. This may be kept in a shallow ointment jar. I have a thin silver tube about one-fifth of an inch in diameter, with a closely fitting piston. This tube is about eight inches long. When a suppository is needed, I retract the plunger or piston to a point from the distal extremity of the tube, corresponding to the length of the required suppository. Then fill the lower open end of the tube by plunging it again and again into the jar containing the material for the suppository, and packing it solid by downward pressure of the piston. Then I apply the suppoitory by passing the end of the tube into the cervical canal and force it out by pushing in the piston. The suppository will then be in the desired place. Five grams of the iodoform may be used at a time; this melts and takes effect at once, and causes no pain.

FISSURE OF THE FEMALE URETHRA.

This troublesome and intractible ailment yields promptly to the use of the same suppository which I have advised for uterine catarrh. Their use is commonly followed by the disappearance of those symptoms which are always associated with fissure of the urethra, and which so often lead to the false diagnosis of cystitis.

GONORRHOEA IN THE MALE.

The same suppository, made in the same manner, and applied with the same instrument, may here be advantageously employed, care being taken to pass the suppository above the inflamed part. This treatment of gonorrhœa I have used for nearly two years, and can testify to its great efficacy. It is a suitable substitute for injections, and is more sure in its effects. The application should always be made by the doctor, when possible. I have been pleased to see that Mr. W. Watson Cheyne, in a late number of the British Medical Journal, contributes a very definite testimonial to the value of urethral suppositories, or pencils, in the antiseptic treatment of gonorrhœa. I would, however, give the preference to the method of preparation being simpler, and, perhaps, more effectual than objectionable, by reason of its irritating qualities.

SUCCESSFUL CASE OF PARACENTESIS OF THE PERICARDIUM.

In the N. Y. Med. Record, Dec. 11th, Dr. Roberts, of Philadelphia, reports the following case of successful pericardial tapping furnished him by the operator, Dr. R. L. Payne, of North Carolina, and bis son, R. Lee Payne, Jr. As his researches previously published have enabled him to find but twelve instances of paracentesis of the pericardium done in America, he feels it important to record this previously unreported instance of an operation easily performed, and not infrequently demanded, but usually considered as one requiring complicated apparatus for its accomplishment.

On July 1, 1880, E. P——, a colored man, about fifty years of age, consulted Dr. Payne and his son for dropsy. He had been treated ten years previously for a dropsical condition, but from this he recovered. In the spring of this year he had had a return of his trouble and now came for treatment. Examination showed the following conditions : Great œdema of the lower limbs, and considerable effusion in the subcutaneous cellular tissue, except upon the face. There seemed to be no ascites. He stated that he had had great difficulty in breathing, and that for two months he had not been able to lie down, but sat constantly in the open air. His respiration was so labored that it could be heard at a distance of a hundred yards. Physical examination of the chest revealed, by the usual diagnostic signs, a large accumulation of fluid in the right pleural cavity. No fluid was present in the left side of the chest, but some moist râles were heard in the left and at the apex of the right lung. The patient was expectorating some blood. The cardiac area of dulness was increased considerably, and the sounds were so muffled that it was almost impossible to distinguish them.

The diagnosis made was dropsy of the right pleura, and chronic pericarditis with effusion. The anasarca and hæmoptysis were considered as resulting from the heart-lesion.

He was placed on the fluid extract of jaborandi and the infusion of digitalis. At the end of a week there was no improvement, the suffering from dyspnœa was extreme, and death seemed imminent. As a last resort it was determined to aspirate the pericardium with the hypodermic syringe. The needle was introduced in the intercostal space between the fourth and fifth ribs, and previous to complete penetration of the intercostal muscles the syringe was exhausted of air. The needle was then pushed slowly and carefully on till it entered the pericardial sac, when the syringe was at once filled with a straw-colored fluid. The syringe was detached from the needle and emptied, and again applied and refilled with fluid. This was repeated until nearly an ounce of serum was withdrawn.

sidered certain, since it was seen that at every pulsation of the heart the needle made synchronous movements.

Great relief to the more urgent symptoms followed the operation, and the patient was able to lie a little lower than the half-recumbent position, which he had not been able to do for weeks. The dyspnœa was much relieved. Three days later the right chest was aspirated, a quart or more of fluid withdrawn, and the man thus enabled to lie flat in bed, breathe with ease, and sleep quietly. At the end of a week he was so improved that he was allowed to return to his home sixteen miles in the country. He was ordered infusion of digitalis with acetate of potassium three times daily. The patient was seen no more after this, but two weeks later he was reported as doing well, and was ordered to continue the same line of treatment. Four weeks later he died ; but, as he resided some distance from Dr. Payne, the latter did not know of his death until a considerable period had elapsed. and then was unable to obtain accurate information concerning the immediate cause of the fatal result. Hence, no autopsy was obtained.

This interesting history illustrates what has so often been demonstrated, that the pericardium can be tapped with ease and certainty, and great relief given by the withdrawal of a comparatively small quantity of fluid. The use of the hypodermic syringe, which is practically a small aspirating pump, shows that no elaborate preparation or apparatus is required for the operation, which can be performed at any time with the ordinary appliances carried by every doctor. This instrument has been satisfactorily used in a similar manner by Dr. Porcher, of Charleston, S. C., and Dr. Paul, of Philadelphia. The case should be considered a recovery after paracentesis, for the symptoms were alleviated and the patient discharged from personal supervision.

Ordinarily, in cases of coexisting pleural and pericardial effusion, I would prefer to aspirate the pleura first, especially if there was a large quantity of fluid in that cavity.

This instance makes the thirteenth operation for paracentesis of the pericardium that has been performed in America, as far as I have been able to learn after diligent search for a number of years. Of the thirteen patients operated on, six have recovered and seven have died. The names of the operators, as taken from my paper read before the American Medical Association, and from my recently published monograph, are as follows : Warren, Norris, Lyon, Welch, Smith, Pepper, Douglas, Porcher, Paul, Staples, Porcher, Abbott, Payne. The operation, it will be seen, has been performed by Porcher twice.

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| { Opli Pulv., 1 gr. Camphora, 2 grs. } | 75 | 8 50 | Ext. Colch. Acet., 1 gr. | | |
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obtainable. The hypodermic syringe has almost superseded the exploring-needle as an instrument for diagnostic purposes, and, as is here seen, acts well in all cases where fluids are to be evacuated. I, myself, never think of using the old-fashioned grooved exploring-needle, but always prefer utilizing the greatly superior suction action of the hypodermic syringe, and have frequently employed the latter instrument in emptying small collections of fluid, such as are found in cysts and abscesses. In the case of suspected aneurism, the withdrawal of a few minims of blood with the hypodermic syringe will establish a certain diagnosis and enable the surgeon to act intelligently in the premises. It was first used in pericardial effusion, I believe, by Dr. F. P. Porcher.

ANTHRACÆMIA—WOOL SORTER'S DISEASE.

For several years past the attention of our professional friends in England has been attracted to a serious form of sickness prevailing to a considerable degree among operatives employed in woollen mills, the study of which has notably been made a point by Dr. Bell and gentlemen practising near Bradford. Some months ago a committee was appointed by the Medico-Chirurgical Society of that city to investigate the matter, and recently four typical cases have been reported, in which the result of post-mortem examination leaves no room seemingly for doubt as to the existence of this peculiar affection, and that in all probability it is due to blood-poisoning by the so-called Bacillus anthracis, a low form of bacteria, presumably contaminating the wool, and which gains entrance to the blood of those affected through the likeliest Wool from channels,—the lungs or stomach. which yarn of varying character is made, and which is used in whole or in part in the production of a long line of textile fabrics, is gathered from the ends of the earth, and when received is frequently very dirty, the Continental grades being especially impure. The ordinary method of sheepwashing previous to shearing is more of a habit than a success, and consequently, before the process of manufacture into yarn, wool has to be thoroughly scoured after reception at the mills, either by hand or by machinery. The impurities found in the fleece consist largely of earthy or vegetable matter, depending on the nature of the pasturage and shelter of the flock; but there is also at times animal matter,-the "tick," for example-with scales or scabs from the epidermis of the sheep, together with more or less oily mamaterial. Diseased sheep or goats may be rejected as unfit for food, but the wool or hair is all the same secured for market. Now, before scouring, the wool is "sorted" into long or short fibre, fine or coarse, etc., quality of stock determining large- what was certified as phthisis, but which very

ly the ultimate product. This is done by hand in well lighted rooms, which are kept at a high temperature, especially in the cooler months, and it is here that the majority of cases of anthracæmia originate; but some have happened in operatives exposed only in departments after the material has been scoured, in which condition it is usually clean and white. A much better method is being tried, by which before sorting, the wool is treated with benzine, which not only cleans it of dirt, but also must destroy all bacteria. The caution requisite in this process, and the high insurance, unfortunately operate against the plan, but time and necessity will doubtless remedy these disadvantages.

The symptoms so far recognized are violent cephalagia, often unilateral, fever intensifying in its progress, severe pleuritic pain, crepitant inspiratory rales, and finally free diarrhœa. The differential diagnosis between anthracæmia and typhoid fever is clear, and ordinary care only is requisite to distinguish them. Cases have been complicated with malignant pustule from inoculation by scratching pimples or abrasions, especially about the face, and in such instances the neighboring lymphatics have become greatly enlarged. The prognosis is bad, and treatment is, as yet, apparently unsettled.

Post-mortem investigation shows softening of the bronchial glands, and large accumulation of fluid in the pleural cavity particularly, but also **n** the abdominal. The intestines, beyond injection and low inflammatory signs, give no evidence. The glands of Peyer are not softened or ulcerated. Bacillus is abundant in the fluids of the closed cavities, in the viscera, and in the blood. Inoculation of blood containing this form of bacteria in the lower animals, as tested in the mouse, rabbit, and guinea-pig, produces the disease, death supervening in from thirty-six to seventy-two hours. Decomposition is rapid, especially at the site of puncture in the case of inoculation.

My attention was called to this subject from having during the summer, treated two obscure cases of illness in wool-sorters, resembling very much the affection described, and which, though they recovered, induce me to refer to them with a view to further investigation by gentlemen of the Society who may have an interest in the subject. Their sickness was precisely as above described. The period of incubation, so far as known, was about ten days, the acute duration two weeks, and as much more time for convalescence was required. The treatment was expectant,-large doses of cinchonidia sulphate for the bronchial disorder; opium and carbolic acid for the diarrhœa; tincture of iodine painted externally for the pleuritic pain. There was no tendency to a relapse. Another patient (a driver), who handled bales of wool continually, succumbed after leaving my care from

likely was anthracæmia. Under the circumstances is a fair inference, from the success of dietetic I was debarred from suggesting a post-mortem. treatment, that the pathology involves some defect Through the courtesy of my brother, Mr. James or vice in the process of assimilation-that is to D. Blackwood, who is engaged in the manufacture say, we have sugar in the urine, because the sugar of woollen and worsted yarn, I have examined a which is taken with the food, and the starchy subgreat variety of wool, domestic and imported, and stances which enter into food, do not undergo also the residue left after scouring. The high their normal changes in the process of assimilation. temperature and caustic soaps and alkalies employed in washing, destroy all traces of bacteria, very apt to be overlooked—not from any difficulty if they exist in the wool before undergoing that in the diagnosis, but because attention is not process, and, although cold water in which wool directed to an examination of the urine for sugar. these organisms, I am not yet satisfied as to the urine, complaining of thirst, of course we examine origin of them, neither have I been able to obtain the urine for sugar; but we do not have this greatly accurate information as to the Bacillus anthracis increased quantity in all cases; and instances have other than from allusions to it in the English medi- occurred repeatedly under my observation in which cal journals, but I hope to be better posted shortly the disease has been overlooked for a long time, through friends who are interested in the subject because, although the urine may have been somein England. I learn from my brother that, aside what increased in quantity, the patient attached from domestic supply in our city, foreign wool is no importance to it, and the attention of the imported only of English growth and from Austra- physician was not directed to it, and it did not lia, all of which being comparatively clean may ac- occur to him to direct his own attention to it. We count for the non-appearance of anthracæmia in should be on the lookout, then; in cases where this country as yet. The supply from Persia, Al-giers, and Barbary is exceedingly foul, but to his should examine the urine for the presence of knowledge is unknown in America, although large sugar. quantities of these grades are handled abroad. In view, however, of the extent and increasing busi- which it did not occur to me to observe before the ness in woollen production in this country, and the patient went out-a kind of mawkish sweetness of probable development of this disease as a sequence the breath, which I can compare to that of chlorothrough a greater demand for foreign material, it becomes our duty and our interest to unravel any entanglement which may confound anthracæmia with obscure disorders in those exposed thereto, and isolate this intruder if it be an entity, in preference to looking upon anomalous diseases in these people as hybrid,-a condition which I for one do not believe exists in pathology.-Dr. Blackwood, in Medical Times.

DIABETUS MELLITUS.

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It is customary in nosology to consider this disease among the diseases of the urinary system. It is obvious enough, however, that it does not belong there. The presence of sugar in the urine is simply an effect of the presence of sugar in the blood. But the disease is classed among diseases of the urinary system for convenience, because our knowledge of its essential pathology is not sufficient for us to place it elsewhere, unless we consider it among diseases of the blood. Some think that the examinations post mortem have been sufficient to show that there are certain changes which substantiate the ground of its being a disease of the cerebral centres. The pathology of this women, an eczematous eruption about the urethral

Now, as regards the diagnosis, the disease is has been thoroughly soaked frequently contains If we have a patient passing a large quantity of .

There is a characteristic odor of the breath, form perhaps. It is so distinct that it can hardly be mistaken when it is present.

Some time ago I saw a patient with a pulmonary affection, and in examining the chest I caught the breath. I said to the physician whom I met in the case that the patient had diabetes, and he was greatly surprised. It had not been suspected, but on enquiry I found that some months before the patient had been passing large quantities of urine, but it was supposed to be due to nervous exhaustion, and the urine was not examined; of late, however, there had been no increase in the quantity of urine, and so it had been tested only with reference to Bright's disease-for the presence of albumen, that for the specific gravity. The specific gravity was not above that of health, and so one of the physicians said, "How is it possible for the patient to have diabetes, when the quantity of urine is not increased and the specific gravity is not heightened? Well, such a thing is very possible. On examinining the urine, sugar was found. This is a very important fact in connection with the prognosis. The pulmonary affection destroyed that patient, as any serious affection is apt to do when it occurs in the course of this disease.

I will mention a case which will illustrate the importance of examining the urine, even though we have scarcely any ground for suspicion. In .disease is a matter for continued investigation. It orifice is very apt to be the result of the presence

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of sugar; and, if this be complained of, it should lead to an examination of the urine. But a gentleman came to me some two months ago, apparently in perfect health-a man weighing about two hundred and fifty pounds, and said, " I have come to see you, perhaps upon a very trivial matter, but still it has occasioned me some annoyance." It was simply this, that he had a curious sensation in the meatus of the penis, which he described as an itching sensation-not at all connected with sexual excitement; not at all connected with an erection of the organ, but being sufficient to cause considerable annoyance. I thought at first that it was a trivial matter, and told him so, and was very near making up some prescription, more to satisfy him than specially to relieve him, when it occurred to me that I had better examine his urine. I did so, and found it loaded with sugar. In that case the patient was not aware of any increase of thirst. In fact, he had nothing except that slight itching sensation to attract attention to the existence of the disease. That proved to be a case of diabetes, and I speak of it now because this was an important fact of temporary duration. On placing this patient on an anti-diabetic diet, in the course of a month-yes, within less time than that, within two or three weeks-the sugar entirely disappeared from the urine, and since then he has been free from the disease, and has returned to his ordinary habits of life. We meet with cases of that kind.

So much, then, for the diagnosis, and I would like to impress that upon you, for I know that some medical men have lost the confidence of their patients by not having discovered this disease early. I have an instance in my mind now, in a case which is under observation, where the patient feels great dissatisfaction toward a medical adviser, feeling that she had this disease for months before any examination of the urine was made. So that we should examine the urine for sugar whenever there is the slightest ground for suspicion. It is a good plan in all cases, when examining the urine, to test it for sugar; it costs but a few moments of time, it is easily done, and you should not fail to do it, especially if you find the specific gravity high.

Well, now, with regard to the prognosis and treatment. Diabetes is generally regarded by medical men as a disease which offers very little in the way of favorable prognosis and treatment, and it seems to be confessed that in a very large proportion of cases a permanent, radical cure is not effected. But this may be done in a pretty large number of cases ; the disease may be kept in abeyance without sufficient derangement of the habits of life to impair the general health, or to be considered by the patient a very great hardship. And this is especially the conclusion which I have reached after considerable opportunities of observation within the last few years. It has so hap-

in this neighborhood, within my knowledge, most of whom have seen me, have suffered in this way. I could mention six or eight medical men who, within the last two years, have suffered from this malady; and several of these now consider themselves in perfect health, but, not considering it a burden to consider the dietetic treatment which resulted in their present favorable condition, they still follow it.

The treatment is emphatically dietetic. There have been a great many remedies proposed from time to time, recommended as having control over this disease. Now I am not prepared to say that there are no remedies which do exercise more or less control over it. But we should commit a grave error, and act very much at the expense of the prospects of our patients, if we gave any remedy which rendered them less careful in attending to the dietetic treatment of their cases. This treatment consists in withholding from the food almost entirely (for entirely we cannot) sugar in any form, and all the starchy constituents of diet capable of being transformed into sugar. That is the principle. Well, if we merely state that to patients, and tell them they must not eat sugar, they must not eat starch, they will not be able to carry it out. In the first place, it is not likely they will know enough of the subject to carry it out, even if they were so disposed; and, unless we go further, and are very careful as regards details, we shall find that the elimination of these constituents of the food will not be done; they will not tolerate it. If we are to succeed, we should give appropriate attention to the preparation of the food, the number of articles which the patient should be allowed to take, and the varia tion of the food from day to day, to make this anti-diabetic diet satisfactory to the patients-that is, satisfy their appetites and the purposes of nutrition. This can be done, and, if it is done, the patient carries out the treatment, because it is no hardship to carry it out; and the treatment is to be carried out not for a few days, or a few months, but for an indefinite period-for years, and perhaps during the whole of life.

How is this second object to be effected? We must place before the patient a list of all the articles of food which are to be avoided, specifying them-not contenting ourselves with the statement in general terms, but specifying, on the one hand, all the articles of food which he must not take; and, on the other hand, all the articles of food, animal and vegetable, and so on, which he may be allowed to take. He should have such a list before him, and such articles should be selected from the allowable ones as to make a variety from day to day, and so prepared by the artifices of cookery as to render them satisfactory. It can be done, but it requires patience, and it requires care pened that quite a large number of medical men on the part of the patient or somebody else, and it

requires some means. A very poor man, who has no one to look after these matters for him, and who has not sufficient means to obtain all the articles of food which are desirable, will find it very difficult to conquer this disease; and in certain public institutions—this hospital, for instance —it is very difficult to carry out the proper dietetic treatment, It requires so many things and so much attention to details, that the dietetic treatment is very unsatisfactory in public hospitals.

The article of food which will cause most trouble is bread, and diabetics realize the force of the statement that bread is the staff of life. Frequently they say at first that they care little for bread, and can get along without it with no trouble, but they do not find it so after a while. They find that there is a craving for bread, and they feel that fectly satisfactory—finding it no hardship. they cannot do without it. So there have been various substitutes for it. There is what is called number have been proposed from time to time, the diabetic flour, which is bran very finely ground so as to divest it of all rough particles; but it has no nutritive quality whatever. It is really no better than sawdust, so far as nutritive value is concerned, and the patient adheres to it only a short time. For the past two years the patients treatment so far as it can be carried out. With that I have seen have been in the habit of using regard to this sulphide of calcium, one patient, a a bread which, so far, seems to be very satisfactory, but it is not entirely divested of starch. It this disease, consulted me about three years ago, is what is called gluten bread, prepared by the Health Food Company, corner of Tenth street and Fourth avenue, of this city. Analysis shows that it is entirely divested of starch; but it is so prepared that it is not deprived of the agreeable time showed no evidence of sugar. When I saw qualities of ordinary bread. Last winter I brought him last, which was a few months ago, I had never a loaf of that bread before the class and distributed seen him look better, and he said to me that he it. disagreeable; and patients take this bread and it as an evidence that this disease may have existed meets their wants—thus removing a great obstacle for some time before the patient's attention has to the successful dietetic treatment of this disease.

I do not deem it necessary to go over the entire list of these dietetic articles. You will find them by reference to different works. But the thing to do is to go into minute details with the patients; explain to them fully just what must be done.

treatment, in a very considerable proportion of of the urine. If they could put that out of view, cases the sugar diminishes at once, and sometimes they would not have the consciousness of having it speedily disappears. examine the urine from time to time, to determine very able practitioner, was led to use the remedy its condition as regards the presence of sugar and which I have just mentioned from finding it recomthe amount of sugar. This treatment does not mended, as he told me, in some medical journal. cause a disappearance of the sugar in all cases. $I \mid$ He has the impression that the sulphide of calcium have a patient under observation now, whom I had considerable to do with his apparent cure. saw for the first time about three weeks ago-a Well, I am free to say that, when I talked with young, thin, intelligent man, who, I have reason to him about it, my own belief was that he was believe, adopted the anti-diabetic treatment, and apparently cured by the dietetic treatment, and by has carried it out fully. I prescribed no medicine a change of habits of life, the avoidance perhaps at first, and that has been my custom, in order to of some excesses. In our present patient, for see what the dietetie treatment will do of itself. In instance, we might perhaps say with propriety that

And this case, I am led to fear, therefore will be one in which we cannot expect much success from treatment of any kind. If the dietetic treatment does not succeed, we have no other resourcesthat is, no medicinal remedy yet known will succeed. It may have a certain influence over the disease, but it will not effect a cure. Then, I could mention other cases. A gentleman whom I have seen now for two years, who until lately has taken scarcely any remedies, but has carried out the dietetic treatment very faithfully, presents urine which gives no evidence of sugar whatever. He retains his strength, mentally and physically; he is a man of great activity, being engaged in business involving large responsibility, able to go on with it, and finding the dietetic treatment per-

Now, as to medicines, as I have said, a great have been tried a short time, and then have passed out of use, others taking their place. This patient is now under my own care here. He is under treatment with the sulphide of calcium, a fifth of a grain three times a day, together with the dietetic medical man in this vicinity, who suffered from at which time he found that he had diabetes, adopted the dietetic treatment, relinquished his duties in town, which were exceedingly laborious, and went into the country; and his urine after a I liked it to eat myself, finding it by no means had never felt better in his life. And, by the way, been directed to any disease, this has been said to me over and over again by patients, even when the urine still contained sugar; they were not aware that they had any disease, as they felt much better than they had for months, perhaps for years before. They would not be aware that they had Well, now, after they enter upon this course of any disease, were it not for a chemical examination Of course, we should any disease at all. This gentleman who was a this case, it has accomplished very little so far. probably his dissipated habits brought on the

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disease; but we find it occurring in persons whose habits of life are good as often, and, perhaps, oftener than in those who are dissipated. At all events, I was not prepared to commit my own mind to the enthusiastic idea which he entertained of the value of that remedy.

To one patient who came to see me I stated these facts with regard to that remedy, and I said, "If you feel no objection, I will prescribe it for you." This was a case in which the dietetic treatment had been extremely successful; and most of the time there was but very little if any sugar in the urine. I told the patient that the remedy in question would do no harm; that I thought I could say that. He said, "well, let us try it." Ι put him upon the remedy, beginning with small doses, and increasing them. I began in his case with an eighth of a grain, but I think we might begin with a quarter of a grain ; in other cases I have begun with a quarter of a grain three times a day, after a fortnight doubling it, going up to two grains, and continuing it indefinitely. Well, this patient went on in that way, and he is very much impressed with the idea that it has been of use to him. Now, we must make some degree of allowance with regard to the opinion of the patient as to the effect of the remedy. I do not mean to say that the remedy has not been of value, but I do not feel as certain as the patient does with respect to its value. I am also prescribing the same remedy in three or four other cases, but the period during which it has been used is too short, I think, to enable one to form a correct judgment with regard to it. I shall certainly continue the use of the remedy, for it can do no harm; and moreover, it is a gratifying thing to the patient to be taking a remedy which he supposes may be of use. The moral effect of remedies, as people's views are now, is by no means inconsiderable; it is a factor which we cannot altogether ignore in the treatment of disease.

This disease, I believe may be kept in abeyance indefinitely, by appropriate dietetic treatment, and I am extremely doubtful whether a patient can ever properly consider that there is a permanent recovery. The disease in itself does not tend to destroy life, but it shortens life in this way : it impairs the ability to resist other diseases. Let a diabetic patient have any disease of any importance, one which (the body being in good condition in other respects) will be well tolerated and recuperated from, it is likely to destroy the patient.

There is a liability to the occurrence of something to which attention has been directed quite litely, and this is a very interesting part of the subject, namely, the sudden occurrence of cerebral symptoms, causing sudden death. The fact has been known for a long time that diabetic patients sometimes die suddenly, and in a way not easily explained. Of late it has been supposed that the

sugar in the blood forms certain combinations by which a toxic principle is evolved, and that the action of this toxic principle on the nervous centres produces coma, with great embarrassment of the respiration and speedy death. I am not sufficiently intimate with the details now to go into the changes which are supposed to take place, and indeed I do not think that anybody has been interested enough to investigate them thoroughly; but it is an interesting topic at the present time, and I have had some cases which illustrate it. Last summer a gentleman from one of the Southern States, a merchant, came on here to make purchases of goods. He brought a letter to me from a physician in his town, saying that he had diabetes, and that as he was coming to the city, he had desired him to call and see me, and talk about the case. The merchant sent the letter to me, saying he had taken a severe cold, but there were no symptoms that indicated anything important at all. Ι brought away a specimen of his urine. He thought he would be able to come up and see me the next morning. I said, "if not, I will come down and see you in the afternoon." I found his urine loaded with sugar. He did not come up in the forenoon, and I went down to see him. I found that he was not as well as on the day previous; he had a little fever, which led me to think that he might have had a malarial paroxysm; however, there was not enough disturbance at that time to demand particular advice. He did not feel well ; he had loss of appetite; and while I was present, he had nausea aud vomiting, and his cold troubled him. He had some soreness of the throat, but, as I say, there was no symptom indicating anything alarming. He felt exceedingly uncomfortable. T came back and asked my son, Dr. Flint, to go down and see him again in the afternoon and make some applications to the throat, more because he was a stranger and felt lonesome, and I thought I saw evidences that he thought something ought to be done. My son went down, and came back in a short time, telling me that the patient was in a very serious condition, and suggested the propriety of my going down, which I did at once, but the patient died before I reached the house. It seems that shortly after my visit he had a convulsion and went into a condition of coma. A physician in the house was called, and he thought there was œdema of the lungs, and applied dry heat to the chest. When Dr. Flint reached the patient, he was somewhat improved, but only temporarily, and he died in this comatose condition, with considerable embarrassment of the respiration. We had no autopsy in that case, but it is difficult to form an idea as to the cause of death, except as some unknown toxical change.

sometimes die suddenly, and in a way not easily explained. Of late it has been supposed that the who had had diabetes for six or eight years. She was semi-comatose, and there was considerable embarrassment of the respiration. evidence of bronchitis, and nothing more ; but the physician said, "This woman presents symptoms of a serious nature, and apparently she is going to die, and I do not know what she is dying of." And she did die that night.

Another case. The first of January last I was asked to go over to Jersey City to see a patient. I could not make my visit until evening, but made | BATHS.-W. V. Lush, M. D., Physician to the an appointment to go over then, and did so. When | Dorset County Hospital, writes, in the Lancet : I reached the physician's house he said to me, "My patient is dead. There was no time to communicate with you, so I did not send a message." The facts were these in this case : The physician who was called had seen the patient on the street, knew him to be feeble (he was a man somewhat advanced in years), but he was not acquainted with him; never knew him until he saw him two days before his death. The physician was called to see him, and he was told by the patient that he had not been well for some time, but there was no definite ailment. He was passing water in considerable quantity, and the Doctor took away a specimen, and found it loaded with sugar. He ascertained then that the patient had diabetes which had existed he did not know how long. However, there were no symptoms occasioning an idea of immediate danger. The patient asked him whether he thought he had a serious disease. He said, "Yes, I must tell you that you have a disease of a serious character." He said, "Doctor, I asked that question because there are very important matters for me to arrange if I am in any danger." "Well," he said, "I hope you are not in any immediate danger; at the same time you have an important disease, and it is desirable for you to make any arrangement of your affairs that may deem proper." So this man, who happened to be a man of wealth, sent for his lawyer to prepare a will which he had not before executed. The next morning the Doctor went to see the patient, and the only thing that attracted his attention was that he looked rather dull, indisposed to exertion. By the way, he had examined the urine for albumen and evidences of renal disease. but with negative results. There was no disease of the kidneys, which sometimes occurs in connection with diabetes, under which circumstances the paitent may die from uræmia. That is the termination of a certain proportion of cases. The Doctor's apprehension was not excited, but he said, "This is a case of importance, and I would like to have a consultation," to which consent was given. Under those circumstances I was sent for. The patient, as I said, was disinclined to exertion that morning, and would not execute his will, "because," he said, " I shall feel better to-morrow. I do not feel like it to-day." But before my consultation in the evening he fell into coma and died.

Here, then, are several cases, which within the There was last year have fallen under my own observation. going to illustrate this toxical incident occurring incertain cases of diabetes, which require further investigation, and form a very interesting part of the pathological study of this disease.- Virginia Med. M.nthly.

TREATMENT OF SCARLET FEVER BY WARM

In December, 1869, while we were experiencing a verv severe epidemic of scarlet fever, there appeared in the *Lancet* a reprint of a letter by Dr. C. T. Thomson strongly advocating the use of warm baths in this disease, and stating that he had pursued the practice for fifteen years, and had never lost a patient.

In consequence of this communication I began this practice ten years ago, and have followed it up from that time to the present. At first I order the patient to have three warm baths daily, to be kept in from three to five minutes, rapidly dried, wrapped in a blanket, and returned to bed. As the disease subsides I reduce the baths to two or one daily. I find that (1) it brings out the rash, (2) reduces the temperature, and (3) soothes the patient; and when this treatment has been adopted at the onset I have not as yet lost a single patient.

In one case the warm bath was objected to till the child had been ill some days, and this case, and this alone, proved fatal.

My Friend, Dr. Alfred Hollis, of Freshwater, has told me of the great comfort he himself experienced from warm bathing when suffering from the disease; and, of course, in the treatment neither medicine proper nor good nursing is precluded.

My ten years added to Dr. Thomson's fifteen make twenty.five years' experience of a treatment, which I can confidently and heartily recommend.

REMOVAL OF FRECKLES.—The following formula. is said to be efficacious for the removal of tan and freckles :---

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| | Aquæ | |
| | Alcohol ž ij. | |
| | Aq. Rosæ \tilde{z} ij. | |
| | Glycerine | |

M. Apply at night and wash off with soap in the morning.

MOUTH WASH .- The Nashville Four. of Med. and Surgery gives the following prescription :---

B. Acid Salicyl., Potas. Chlor.

Sodæ Bisulph. aa 3j.

Glycerine and Water.....aa 5 viij.-M. Sig. A teaspoonful to rinse the mouth every one to three hours.

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THE PAST YEAR.

The old year has gone and we are now entering upon a new one, with brighter prospects before us than in the past. The financial crisis which pressed so severely upon our people, and consequently upon our brethren in all parts of the country, may be said to have almost entirely vanished, and a new, and let us hope, a better state of affairs has dawned upon us. But while trade and finance seemed to have taken a backward movement, the progress in all that materially affects the wellbeing of our noble profession has been steadily advancing, and we now stand on a proud eminence and look forward hopefully into the great future before us, with renewed confidence, and with a stronger faith than ever in the great destiny of our noble art. Ours is not a profession which merely deals in drugs and potions to heal the sick and restore the maimed, but its aims are much higher and its sentiments loftier; for what can be nobler than the saving of life by the prevention of sickness? What more divinely patriotic than the husbanding of the life-blood of the nation? The attention which the members of the profession, from the highest to the lowest, are giving to State or preventive medicine, speaks volumes for their large-heartedness, their patriotic zeal, and unselfish devotion to the true interests of humanity. Both in season and out of season has this great subject of "Sanitary Reform" been pressed upon the attention of both the Local and Dominion Governments, by the members of the profession united

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no great amount of progress has yet been made, the way is being opened up, and sooner or later the much-needed legislation will be obtained. The public will have the medical profession to thank. for all this, for no one outside of physic seems to take the slightest interest in this their greatest wellbeing, and the highest welfare of the country.

The usual annual gatherings of our professional brethren in all parts of the world have been larger, more interesting and instructive than ever before in the history of medicine. The annual gathering of the British Medical Association at Cambridge, was on a large scale of magnificence, and was attended by dignitaries of the profession from allparts of Europe and America. The various addresses were excellent; the work of the sections was carried on with great vigor and earnestness, and the social side of the meeting was in keeping with the event. A most interesting event of the meeting was the ceremony of conferring the honorary degree of LL.D. upon Drs. Brown-Sequard. Donders, Gross, Jenner, Gull, Burrows, Bowman, O'Connor, Lister, Simon, and Andrew Wood. All were well received except Dr. Gull, whose approach to the dais was the signal for a storm of hisses and groans from all parts of the house. This unfriendly demonstration was owing chiefly to the ignoble part Dr. Gull had taken with reference tohis medical confrères in the recent trouble at Guy's Hospital. The American Medical Association held its annual gathering early in May, in the city of New York, on a scale of magnificence and grandeur never before excelled. The attendance was very large, and comprised most of the leading medical men in the United States. The contingent from Canada was larger and more representative than usual, and was well received. The annual address was delivered by Dr. Sayre, the President, in his well-known style. In it he dwelt chiefly upon the wisdom of adopting the metric system in the United States, and the propriety of establishing a journal by the Association similar to the British Medical. The next meeting was appointed to be held in Richmond, Va., on the first Tuesday in May, 1881, under the presidency of Dr. Hodgen, of St. Louis.

attention of both the Local and Dominion Governments, by the members of the profession united together, from both sides of politics; and although read were most interesting, and the discussions were of great value to those who were present. The President's address was replete with valuable suggestion and useful information; and the report on obstetrics and gynæcology was worthy of special mention. The usual number of representatives from the American Medical Association were present, and were cordially received. The annual dinner was well attended, and the post prandial speeches were unusually good. Sanitary reform received its due share of attention, and a committee was appointed to press upon the Dominion Government the necessity for legislative action in the direction of the establishment of a National Board of Health. The next meeting was arranged to take place in Halifax, N. S., on the 3rd of August, 1881, under the presidency of Dr. Canniff.

The newly elected Medical Council of Ontario, which came together in July, remained in session four days, and entered upon the work of reform with a will that would have cheered the heart of a Cobden himself if he had been alive. Most, if not all of the obnoxious clauses in the announcement of former years were swept away, and new and better ones adopted in their stead. The adoption of the Intermediate High School examination, in lieu of the ordinary Council Matriculation, of which we have something to say in another place, is of itself worthy of more than a mere passing notice, and when fully understood, will be found to work admirably. It remains for the new Council to continue the good work they have so nobly begun, and to husband the resources of the College, so that they may not find themselves hampered for want of the necessary funds to carry on the business of the Council.

In the field of general medicine there is nothing startling, though much that is interesting. Dr. Morell McKenzie has invented a respirator for the antiseptic treatment of phthisis pulmonalis. It covers both mouth and nose, and has a double breathing chamber for containing pieces of sponge saturated with a strong solution of carbolic acid or creasote. It is worn as continuously as possible, night and day. He does not claim that phthisis is cured by this plan, but that night-sweats, cough and impaired appetite are ameliorated. Picrotoxine has been used with success by Dr. Murrell in the treatment of night-sweats in phthisis. One drachm, of a 1 to 180 solution, is

added to eight onnces of water, and a teaspoonful given at bed-time Pilocarpine was also used by the same investigator, in doses of one-twentieth of a grain at bed-time, with beneficial results. After the sweating is checked by this remedy it does not return for several weeks. Dr. Jones, in the British Medical Fournal, reports a case in which copious hemorrhage from the lungs occurring in pneumonia was arrested by fluid extract of ergot, in drachm doses, with one ounce of liquor amm. acetatis, four times a day. Dr. Donkin, in the same journal, reports some cases of abnormally high temperature. In eight cases under his observation the temperature rose to 108°F., or above. In one case it was as high, as 117°, yet all ended in recovery. In some a rapid fall took place, in others there was considerable sweating with the high temperature. Dr. J. W. Teale also reports a case of rheumatic fever in a female in which the temperature reached 117°F. The use of desiccated defibrinated blood as an agent especially adapted for rectal alimentation, has been prominently brought forward during the past year. The blood thus prepared contains all the elements of blood, except water and fibrine, and is soluble in water below 160°F. A drachm of the dried specimen represents an ounce of ordinary blood, and the quantity to be used in the course of twenty-four hours is from four to six ounces. The use of alkalies in anemia has been brought forward by Dr. Nicholson, in an interesting article in the Practitioner. His theory is that anemia is frequently produced by hepatic disorder; that hepatic anemia is one of the most common forms, and that as alkalies, especially potash, have a beneficial action on the liver and tend to restore the blood to its normal character, they should be administered in place of iron in the treatment of anemia. Bichloride of mercury, in minute doses has been found particularly valuable by Dr. Reed (Medical Times, Phila.) in chronic dysentery and diarrhœa. He gives several cases successfully treated by this remedy. Dr. Ralfe (Lancet), on the other hand. gives his experience of the management of chronic dysentery by the castor oil treatment. Bismuth hæmatoxylon and turpentine were also used in addition to the oil in some of the cases. He also lays great stress upon rest and strict attention to diet, as essentials to the cure of this disease.

· Camphor and chloral hydrate, equal parts, have

been successfully used to quiet unruly and sleepless patients, by Dr. Simmons (Am. Four. Med. Sciences). In cases of violent mania, delirium tremens, etc., he has found the mixture capable of accomplishing what other sedatives failed to do. In doses of twenty grains, it will produce effects which are altogether beyond the reach of twenty grains of either camphor or chloral hydrate, in the same dose, to accomplish when administered alone. Dr. Sidney Ringer, who has investigated the new remedy called Tonga, in use among the Fiji islanders, says that the fluid extract, in drachm doses, cured promptly six cases of severe neuralgia, improved a seventh, and failed in the eighth, only because the preparation had become inert. Large doses, as half an ounce, produced slight drowsiness in one patient. Dr. J. P. Thomas (Virginia Med. Monthly) strongly urges the use of carbonate of ammonia in diseases of the respiratory system, and especially in pneumonia. His theory of its action is, that it prevents the accumulation of carbonic acid in the blood, by promoting oxygenation. It also renders the blood alkaline and checks exudation. He administers it in doses of twenty to fifty grains. He considers it a certain prophylactic in heart clot, and says that it has often prevented death from this cause in pneumonia. From the tone of the papers read at the different societies, and articles in the Journals on the "lost art" of venesection, it would appear that the practice is about to be revived, especially in the treatment of pneumonia. The abstraction of blood, is by most writers at present, regarded as of paramount importance to relieve engorged vessels, and prevent the affusions which always render the disease a grave one. The use of Jamaica dogwood as a substitute for opium, has been highly recommended by those who have investigated its properties. It is more decidedly hypnotic than opium, produces no anorexia or headache, and does not constipate the bowels or interfere with digestion. It acts rapidly, but its effect is less durable than opium, and requires to be given more frequently. The dose is twenty minims of the fluid extract every three hours.

A case of the successful treatment of lead colic by electricity is recorded by Rothe, in *Memorabil*. There was obstinate constipation, which strong purgatives failed to overcome. The negative pole of a Faradic battery was inserted in the rectum,

and the positive pole over the abdomen, and a strong current allowed to pass for eight or ten minutes. Very soon after a copious evacuation of the bowels occurred, followed by amelioration of the symptoms and recovery. A case of hysterical hemi-anæsthesia is reported in the *Lancet* by Dr. Ball, which was treated with the bromides and other sedative remedies for a considerable time without benefit, as having been almost immediately relieved by static electricity. Dr. Gray, in *Arch. of Med.*, gives his experience of the use of quinine, as increasing the sedative effect of the bromides, belladonna, hyoscyamus, etc. He thinks it also relieves the depression which these medieines usually produce.

The use of ergot in diabetes mellitus has been brought forward[®] by Dr. Hunt, in the Practitioner. Dr. Pepper, of Philadelphia, was the first to suggest this treatment. The dose is one drachm of the fluid extract three times a day. The rationale of its action is not known, but it is supposed to act in some way upon the vaso-motor system. The salicylate of calcium in the serous diarrhœa of infants has been highly extolled during the past summer, by Dr. Hutchins, of Brooklyn. He treated successfully 27 cases, from two months to two and a half years of age, with this remedy alone. Other forms of diarrhœa, lienteric or inflammatory, required additional treatment. The dose was from two to five grains. A new antiseptic and antineuralgic has been brought under notice during the past year, named menthol, a crystalline solid derived from oil of peppermint. In some respects it resembles thymol. It destroys bacteria, and applied externally, relieves neuralgic pains.

In the field of surgery little has been advanced that is wholly new or original. Antiseptic surgery *a la* Lister, has not met with that measure of success which was at one time anticipated; the results have not been so far superior to former plans of practice in really good hospitals, as to lend any support to the idea that the matter rests on different principles from those which it would supersede. Mr. Holmes of St. George's Hospital, speaking from a basis of one hundred and sixty-two compound fractures of the leg, "treated to a conclusion," says that while great improvement has been observed in the results of injuries and operations since Lister began his method of treatment, this is not due entirely to the method itself, since it is also-

to be noted in the practice of those who repudiate view to their immediate removal. Lister's teaching. All wounds and injuries are much more carefully treated than they were some years ago, and in Hospitals where the old and new treatments have been carried out side by side, the results have not been such as to place Listerism in that prominent position which its most zealous advocates would have it occupy.

Dr. Gamgee records (Lancet) a number of interesting cases exemplifying what he considers the essentials of wound treatment, viz., accurate coaptation, absolute rest, and as a rule, dry dressing, not frequently changed, and drainage adapted to circumstances. The adage that many roads lead to Rome, finds ample illustration in surgical prac. tice. Pin your faith to no system ; be a slave to no master. The scheme of Nature is broad and comprehensive ; let us try to imitate her in methods and means. An interesting paper on the question of wound treatment, by Dr. McVail, was also read before the British Medical Association, in which he gave the statistics of the last ten years at the Kilmarnock Infirmary, with the dry dressing of wounds. The total death rate was 3.5 per cent., while Dr. Cameron's death rate in the Glasgow Infirmary, with Lister's treatment, was 5.1 per cent. A comparison was also made between the statistics of the two modes of treatment, which resulted unfavourably for antiseptic surgery in the hands of Mr. Lister himself.

In reference to "peritoneal surgery" it is now the general impression among surgeons that in the present state of our knowledge and experience, exploration of the abdomen should be reserved for the most intractable cases of acute intestinal obstruction, the mortality so far not being less than 50 per cent. As confidence is gained in our means of diagnosis and treatment many patients that are now lost by delay may be saved. In chronic obstruction from cancer, tumors, &c., the utility of surgical interference is sufficiently proved by the results, and laparotomy, enterotomy or colotomy, may be had recourse to in suitable cases with a warrantable prospect of success. Rapid lithotrity with Bigelow's improved aspirator has been fully endorsed by Sir Henry Thompson, R. T. Weir, and others. In cases in which difficulty has been encountered in removing the last few fragments, it is recommended to leave them to a future sitting (Lancet) makes a strong appeal in behalf of the

This new procedure has to a considerable extent diminished the number of cases of lithotomy. Dr. Weir issues the injunction at the conclusion of his paper that only those who have had experience in lithotrity or who have made themselves familiar, on the cadaver, with this instrumental manipulation, should undertake the operation. A case of extirpation of the larynx is reported by Dr. F. Lange (Med. Record.) This is the first case performed in America, an I makes in all 19 recorded cases, with 13 deaths. Lange's operation was perfectly successful, the patient being able to articulate with the aid of an artificial apparatus, and swallow soft food. He was seventy-four years of age; the tumor grew from the upper edge of the thyroid cartilage and a previous thyrotomy had been performed, but without any benefit to the patient. A new mode of removing cysts is reported by Dr. Coosemans, known as Pozzi's method. It consists in evacuating the cyst of its fluid or semifluid contents with an aspirator, and then injecting the cavity with some substance which will speedily solidify. In this way a firm tumor is obtained which is readily enucleated. Dr. H. B. Sands reports (Med. Record) a case of rupture of the axillary artery during an attempted reduction of a dislocation of the shoulder-joint of seven or eight weeks standing. Very little force had been used; there was no violence, and the foot had not yet been placed in the axilla when the tumor was noticed. It attained the size of a child's head, and there was loss of pulsation in the radial, ulnar, and brachial arteries. Dr. M. Baker in the Lancet, strongly urges the removal of the tongue by the median division or splitting, as less difficult than the modes usually employed, and more applicable to otherwise unpromising cases. He passes two stout threads through the tongue about half an inch from the median line on each side, and one inch from the tip. The tongue is then drawn forward, and divided along the median line with a knife or pair of strong scissors. The ecraseur is now slipped over the diseased half, or two ecraseurs may be used simultaneously when the whole tongue is to be removed. As a preliminary step, he advises division by means of a pair of scissors of the frænum and muscles which tether the tongue in front and at the sides. Dr. Thudichum rather than greatly to prolong the operation with a electro-cautery in the removal of polypi and other

growths in the nose, as being more easy of application, less painful and disagreeable to the patient, and much more efficacious. In the Western Lancet (San Fancisco) Dr. Stallard reports a bold operation of abdominal section for purposes of diagnosis, in a case of tumor in the left hypochondriac region of a doubtful nature. The patient was 41 years of age, no history of cancer, and although weak was in fair condition for an operation. The tumor was freely movable, but an exploratory incision discovered that it was deeply attached to the root of the mesentery and could not be removed. The wound was closed, and on the 13th day the man was as well as before the operation.

The use of boracic acid in surgery, has shown it to be a drug of greater power and wider range of applicability, than was formerly sup-It is used with success on old sores posed. and ulcers, both simple and specific, and also in the treatment of large suppurating wounds and abscesses it has been found of especial value. In ozæna and otorrhœa it acts as a prompt deodorizer and alterative, lessens the discharge and promotes healthy action. As a lotion in chronic cystitis and chronic inflammation of mucous membranes in general, it has a decidedly beneficial action. Dr. McEwen, of Glasgow, advocates the introduction of tracheal tubes by the mouth instead of performing tracheotomy, and gives several cases in which he has adopted this method with good results. He recommends their use not only in chronic but also in acute affections, such as ædema glottidis, &c. The respirations are carried on perfectly through them, the sputa expelled, and deglutition effected while the tube is in situ. Mr. Rawdon, in the Brit. Med. Four. brings forward a modified operation for fissure of the palate in children. This consists in closing only the lower portion (two-thirds) of the cleft, at the first operation, or as far as can be united without traction, and leaving the rest to close spontaneously or at a subsequent operation. The operation is thus simplified, and the inflammatory action is proportionately less than when the closure of the whole cleft is attempted. The accidental excision of 12 centimetres in length of the right pneumogastric nerve in an operation for the removal of a tumor of the neck is recorded by Dr. Lucke, (Centralbl. f. Chir.) There were no untoward symptoms, no difficulty of respiration, and the patient made a

good recovery. Two cases of aortic aneurism treated with great benefit by electro-puncture are given in the Bull. Gen. de Therap. Both patients were much relieved, and the tumors were greatly diminished in size. The writer also gives an analysis of one hundred and fourteen cases treated in this way, and the result as far as known; of these, fourteen showed an improvement lasting from one to five years. The usual number of sudden deaths from the administration of chloroform are reported. In many cases no cause could be discovered at the antopsies to account for the suddenness of the deaths. Some also have occurred from the use of ether, and at least two from the inhalation of ethyl bromide, the new anæsthetic, although only a comparatively short time in use. These cases, Dr. Turnbull claims, were not fair tests of the quality for good or evil of the new anæsthetic.

In the domain of obstetrics and gynæcology much true progress has been made. In cases of extra-uterine pregnancy, laparotomy has several times been performed during the year, and three times by Prof. Schroeder. When the child is living no attempt should be made to remove the placenta, but if dead several weeks, the case is different, as congulation of blood in the vessels will prevent any hemorrhage on its removal. In regard to the subject of drainage through Douglas's space, it will greatly prevent excessive putrefaction, and give ready escape to the putrid secretions, and should be had recourse to, unless the placenta should be attached to that portion of the cavity. Copeman's method of dilating the cervical canal, still continues to be used with success in the vomiting of pregnancy when all ordinary means fail, such as ingluvin, oxalate of cerium, bismuth, &c. Dr. Bartholow uses bismuth combined with carbolic acid in small doses, in mucilag. acaciæ with marked success in many cases. A new method of treating plàcenta prævia has been introduced by Dr. Nunn. It consists in gentle intra-uterine applications of hæmostatics. He introduces the liquor ferri persulphatis to the bleeding surface direct, by means of a cotton swab passed through the os by the aid of a speculum. The applications are repeated as labour progresses. In hemorrhage preceding abortion, he prefers the fluid extract of matico as it is less irritating in its after effects.

Dilatation of the cervical canal by sponge tents,

laminaria, or tupelo, is now being more or less generally discarded, owing to the danger of sepsis, and either rapid dilatation or division of the canal bilaterally up to the vaginal junction used instead, where necessary. The subject of intra-uterine medication is still under discussion. Dr. Atthill, the great apostle of the frequent use of this method of treatment, still adheres to his practice, but has now come to regard carbolic acid as the safest, and generally the most efficient agent. He uses a mixture of two parts acid to one of spirit or glycerine. He also speaks favorably of iodized phenol (iodine and carbolic acid), especially in endometritis occurring in old women. Some deaths have been reported from intra-uterine injections of perchloride of iron, one by Drs. Herman and Brown, in Obstet. Journal, Great Britain. The strength used was one to six, and the fluid was injected by a Higginson's syringe, to which a long uterine tube was attached. After a few syringefuls had been thrown up, the patient gave a faint cry, threw up her arms, turned pale, gasped for breath, and after a few inspirations died. A thrombus formed in the uterine veins and carried to the heart, was supposed to have caused the fatal result. A case of post mortem Cæsarian section is reported by Dr. Storch of Germany. The mother, who was in a cyanotic condition, died suddenly while the physician was visiting her. Eight or ten minutes afterwards, the operation was performed, and occupied about half a minute. The child was extracted by the feet, but was pale and limp, and was with some difficulty resuscitated. Dr. S. is very sceptical about the success of cases recorded, where an hour or more had elapsed before the child was extracted.

Dr. J. R. Moore (Chicago Med. Journal) reports a case of hour-glass contraction of the uterus previous to delivery. The woman was becoming exhausted from prolonged and fruitless labor, and turning was decided upon. The child's head tended persistently to override the brim of the pelvis in the right iliac fossa, and five hours had been spent in vain attempts to rectify this obliquity. Upon the introduction of the hand, hour-glass contraction was discovered to be the cause of the trouble. Dr. Lane, of the Pacific coast, has again performed the operation of vaginal hysterectomy for recurrent epithelioma. This is his second case, is to make an opening into Douglas's cul-de-sac, through which the fundus uteri is drawn down, in such manner that the Fallopian tubes and ovaries may be easily ligated, after which the organ is dissected from the bladder. The cavity was rinsed with a one per cent. solution of carbolic acid, and filled with lint saturated with four percent. carbolized linseed oil, a drainage tube inserted, and the abdomen covered with rubber ice-bags. No sutures were used.

Great prominence was given during the early part of the year to the treatment of cancer of the uterus by chian turpentine, brought forward by Prof. Clay, of Manchester, England. The remedy proved efficacious in his hands, and in the practice of a few others, but it has not been so generally efficacious in its effects as to warrant the high hopes at first entertained regarding its use. It seems, however, in most cases, to arrest the progress of the disease, and relieve pain, and, if given sufficiently early, may, in some cases, prove an effectual cure. It is best given in emulsion. One ounce of chian turpentine is dissolved in two ounces of pure sulphuric ether; to half an ounce of this ethereal solution, add four ounces of solution of tragacanth, one ounce of syrup, forty grains of flowers of sulphur, and enough water to make a sixteen-ounce mixture; the dose is two tablespoonfuls three times a day. A summary of the results of fifteen cases of Battey's operation (or spaying) is given by the author in the Brit. Med. Fournal. There were thirteen recoveries and two deaths; of the recoveries, eight were cured, one was partially relieved, one temporarily, two were not improved, and one, of recent date, result not yet known. The diseases for the relief of which the operation was chiefly undertaken were hysteroepilepsy, oôphoralgia, menstro-mania, and threatened insanity. There seems, therefore, sufficient to warrant a resort to this formidable operation in certain extreme cases. Dr. Isaac E. Taylor performed, on the 8th of April, the first successful case of Porro's operation in America. The patient was a dwarf, four feet four and a half inches in height, and twenty-seven years of age. Her pelvis was greatly contracted at the outlet. Dr. Taylor delivered her in a former confinement by craniotomy and cranioclasm, but when she again became pregnant she was decided and emphatic in her and the patient did well. His method of operating desire to have a living child. Labor pains set in

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on the evening of the 7th of April, and early the following morning the operation was performed. The abdominal incision was five inches in length, the uterus was opened and the child extracted. A temporary fish-line ligature was then placed around the lower part the placenta remaining in, after which a permanent ligature of carbolized silk was applied and the uterus removed.

In ophthalmology much attention has been directed to the therapeutics of eserine, pilocarpine and duboisine. Eserine has gained a high and deserved reputation in the treatment of marginal and sloughy ulcers of the cornea, and in suppuration of the cornea after extraction of cataract. Indeed its action in these conditions is almost magical. We have seen a deep sloughing ulcer heal up in three days, with hardly any scar noticeable to the naked eye. As a temporary reliever of tension and pain in glaucoma, eserine has also achieved a great reputation. Among operations, the comparatively new one of division of the optic and ciliary nerves, instead of excision, to prevent sympathetic inflammation, has caused much dis. The general conclusion at the Milan ·cussion. congress was that the operation was a very uncertain one in its results; as even after the excision of a large portion of the optic nerve, reunion of the divided ends had occurred. Dr. Dor, of Lyons, had a case in which the cornea remained insensisitive for a year, but subsequently regained its Excision should always be performed sensibility. if a foreign body be present in the injured eye There is at the present time a great tendency to use Listerism in operations on the eye, but the great difficulty to contend with is the irritation caused by the spray. Boracic acid is most used, but we think Khapp's remark, that he "should not be surprised to see them abandoned, at an early day, as superfluous in eye surgery," gives expression to a very general opinion amongst oculists.

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One of the best papers of the year in otology is by Dr. Theobold, of Baltimore, on "The Scepticism Prevalent Regarding the Efficacy of Aural Therapeutics." He shows very ably the great progress, both in diagnosis and treatment, which has been made during the past few years; how little justifiable, by facts, are the assertions that ear-ache cannot be relieved except by bursting of the drum head; that it is dangerous to arrest a chronic purulent discharge from the ear; that people grow out

of otitis chronica, and that perforation of the drum necessarily leads to permanent deafness.

The introduction, by the same author, of atropine in the treatment of acute inflammation of the middle ear and external auditory meatus, has been a step forward. It should be used in a solution of 4 grains to the ounce of water, and 8–10 drops instilled frequently. It has been used in a considerable number of cases and with marked benefit. Iodoform has been used with good results by Spencer and others, in granulations of the tympanic mucous membrane.

Woakes, of London, draws attention to a form of throat deafness, characterized by negative appearances of the drum head. Catheterization can be successfully performed, but the Valsalvan experiment cannot. The soft palate hangs pendulous in a plane surface; the uvula can only be seen with difficulty; the hearing varies very much. Anemic persons are most commonly affected, after severe physical and mental labor. The treatment should be to build up the system with iron, phosphorus hydrobromic acid and cod liver oil. Also carbonate of ammonia, grs. iv. ter die, and the use of the induced current. Dr. Kessel, of Gratz, having proposed the excision of the tympanic membrane two years ago, reverts to it again, especially as aurists have not shown a great disposition to adopt it with alacrity.

In the matter of bibliography, we have had no end of new books and new editions of those previously published. We subjoin the names of a few of them : Leishman's Midwifery ; Playfair's Midwifery; Foster's Physiology; Wood's Library, 12 vols.; Bumstead on Venereal Diseases; Revnolds' System of Medicine; Paracentesis of the Pericardium by Roberts; Practice of Medicine. Roberts; Day on Headaches; Essentials of Anatomy, Darling & Ranney; Skin Diseases (Photographic), Fox; Skin Diseases (Atlas), Duhring; Health Primers, Lindsay & Blakiston; Practical Examination of Urine, Tyson; Ophthalmology, Nettleship; Heart and its Diseases, Fothergill; Nervous Exhaustion, Beard ; Practice of Surgery, Clarke; Practitioner's Reference Book, Dunglison; Principles of Therapeutics, Fothergill; Practice of Medicine, Bartholow; Tumors of the Mammary Gland, Gross; Greene's Hand-book of Medical Chemistry; Index Catalogue, Library Surgeon-General's Office, U.S.; Kirkbride on Hospitals for Insane; Thomas on Diseases of Women; Diphtheria, Jacobi ; Hamilton on Fractures and Dislocation, &c., &c.

Among our obituary notices will be found the names of many of our brethren, both at home and Among those abroad we find the names abroad. of Sir Dominic Corrigan, Soelberg Wells, Sharpey, Lockhart Clarke, Broca, Von Hebra, Seguin; and among our brethren at home, Drs. Rupert, Clark, Bovell, Ash, Higinbotham, Burnham, Locke, Phillips, Campbell (Dartmouth, N.S.), Demers, Hall, Struthers, Rutherford, Cooke, Mc-Grath, Turquand, Rose, Gracey, Herriman, White, Campbell (Wellington), Smith, Fowler, Eckhardt, Rath, Wolfe, Sullivan, Wilson, Carder, Tracey, Case, Schmidt, Nesbitt, Stewart, Dawson, Hamilton, McConkey, Bentley, Jacobs, Metcalf, etc.

While the past year has been noted for storms and disasters by sea and land, no serious outbreak of disease has occurred in any part of the world, and especially, so far as the Dominion of Canada is concerned. Small-pox, which has been almost constantly present in some part of the country, particularly in Quebec and Montreal, has entirely disappeared, at least for the present. Local outbreaks of diphtheria have occurred from time to time in some parts of the Maritime Provinces, but not sufficiently serious to cause any alarm.

In the foregoing retrospect of the year, we have given such facts as we thought might be of practical interest to the generality of our readers, and in conclusion we extend a hearty greeting to all our patrons, and wish them a full measure of health. prosperity and happiness in the year upon which we have so auspiciously entered.

ONTARIO COUNCIL MATRICULATION.

At its last session, the Council adopted the Intermediate Examination as its ordinary matriculation requirement. Under the regulations of the Government, which are of course supreme in this matter, the "Intermediate" consists of the following groups and subjects :

Group I embraces Arithmetic, Algebra, Euclid. Group II. English Grammar, Dictation, Composition. Group III. History, English Literature, Geography. All the above groups and subjects sides these, there are four "Optional Departments." Group IV, embracing Natural Philosophy, Chemistry, Book-keeping, is set down as one of these, and Latin, French and German as the other three. Of these, only one is to be taken, for the official regulation expressly prescribes that "no candidate will be allowed to take more than one of the four optional departments."

The printed regulation of the Council on the subject is as follows : " On and after July 1st, 1881, every one desirous of being registered as a Matriculated Medical Student in the Register of this College, except as hereinaster provided, must present to the Registrar the Official Certificate of having passed the High School Intermediate Examination, with Latin included, whereupon he shall be entitled to be so registered upon the payment of twenty dollars, and giving proof of his identity; the said examination to embrace the following subjects : Compulsory a. Arithmetic, Algebra and Euclid; b. English Grammar, Composition and Dictation. c. History, Geography and English Literature. d. Natural Philosophy, Chemistry and Book-keeping. e. Latin. And one of the following :- Optional : French, German."

Had the above section ended with the word "identity" it would have been correct-but in going on to prescribe the subjects, it includes not only all those of the optional group (No. 4) but also Latin, and either German or French. Thus making three of the four options compulsory. This which was a mere accidental oversight, clashes not only with the first part of the Council's own rule, but also with the regulation quoted above, which limits all candidates to one of the optional departments.

This oversight, however, need cause no difficulty, for the Executive Committee can easily give due notice through the papers, long before the time of holding the July examination; that in accordance with the first part of the Council's regulation, the High School Intermediate examination, with Latin, will be required of students as the ordinary matriculation of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario. This is the simplest and best course open under the circumstances, and its adoption will receive the thanks of the profession and of students throughout the country. A most excellent entrance examination, too, will Le provided, are compulsory in regard to every candidate. Be- equal to that required in any country in the world.

If Natural Philosophy is not made compulsory, as it happens to be in the 4th or optional group, the three subjects of compulsory group 3 will be more than an equivalent, and to a certainty, great numbers of the candidates, even if not examined on this subject, will have studied it. The requirements, too, of a minimum of no less than 40 per cent. upon each group, will give a guarantee of standing such as very few entrance examinations afford.

Of course, as heretofore, all gentlemen who have matriculated or graduated in Arts in any of our Universities, can be registered on the Students' Register of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, by merely paying the registration fee.

THE CORONERS ACT.

The Act respecting Coroners, passed last session of the Ontario Parliament, has given rise to a considerable amount of dissatisfaction and ill-feeling, and many persons seem to think that those coroners who have refused to act are very stubborn. The objectionable feature of the new Act is that the corener must, prior to issuing his warrant, make a declaration in writing and on oath before a magistrate, that he believes from information received that the deceased did not die from natural causes. but from negligence or foul play, and therefore an inquest is required. Why the Act should impose upon the coroner the labor of enquiring into any case of death in order to make the necessary affi. davit, and especially without any remuneration in case the inquest is unnecessary, we cannot com-The old Act was sufficiently strinprehend. gent if put into force, to prevent any coroner from unnecessarily holding an inquest, or at least getting paid for it. Under it the crown had power to dismiss or punish a coroner for misconduct, and the informant was required to give his information on oath to the coroner. All papers, and evidence taken at the inquest was filed with the County Crown attorney, and if in his opinion the inquest was unnecessary, he had the power to refuse the necessary certificate to the coroner to enable him to get his fees. We trust that the Government will during the present session, abolish the oath and declaration imposed upon the coroner by the recent Act, and make certain amendments in another direction, some of which we might briefly indicate.

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1st. The number of coroners should be limited. There are entirely too many in the Province; the number being between seven and eight hundred.

2nd. When a coroner is called upon to view a body, he should be paid by the municipality a fec of not less than 2, and mileage at the rate of 50 cents per mile, for such inspection, if during the daytime, and 4, and mileage at the rate of 1 per mile, if at night.

3rd. In large cities, a stipendiary coroner and a deputy coroner should be appointed, the latter acting in case of sickness or unavoidable absence of the coroner. All this cavil about fees and unnecessary inquests would then be avoided, and the coroner could devote all his time and energies to the performance of his official duties.

4th. The salary should be paid by the government and not by the municipality. The coroner would then only be responsible to the crown for his acts as coroner, and not be subjected to the caprice, ill-will or ward influence of any one or more mem-bers of the corporation.

Adulteration of Food. - The Telegram of this city gives the following in reference to this subject :-- There appears to be a good deal of adulteration of food carried on, principally milk, coffee, tea, spices and butter. Out of 226 samples analyzed by Prof. Ellis, he found that 58 were adulterated. Many of the adulterations were harmless, the object being to make the quantity weigh heavier. In the case of milk, it appears that the practice of watering it is very common, and there really seems no remedy left for the abuse but to require the milkmen to drive their cows around to their customers' doors, as they do in Cuba, and milk the requisite quantity in the presence of the purchaser. Those good people who have been paying for coffee, appear to have been drinking chicory, while the tea drinkers have been regaling themselves with Prussian blue and other deleterious stuff. Altogether, the public seem to be badly There is water in the milk, chicory in the used. coffee, Prussian blue in the tea, flour in the cloves, an excess of salt and water in the butter, flour and cassia in the cinnamon, and flour and turmeric in the mustard; the gas is bad, the bread is frequently of light weight, the coal is often short, the coal oil is poor, many of the fowls have their crops filled with stones and gravel to make them weigh more;

in short, there is cheating all round and nobody seems to be getting value for his money. It is hardly to be wondered at that the Chinese are talking of sending missionaries over to convert us.

VENTILATION.—Dr. McKinnon, of Windsor, Ont., has sent us a sketch of a stove-pipe ventilator which he has recently invented. The principle is not new, but the method of applying it is entirely original, so far as we know. The stovepipe is surrounded by a cylinder of sheet-iron, having a diameter large enough to leave $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of space between it and the pipe. The vitiated air of the room is admitted through an opening or openings at the lower part and passes upwards as it is heated between the pipe and cylinder for 18 or 20 inches, according to the height of the latter, and then enters an opening in the stove-pipe and passes away with the smoke.

MALTINE.—We have now had considerable experience in the use of the various preparations of maltine manufactured by the firm of Reed & Carnrick of New York, and we are more than ever before convinced of their great value in all wasting diseases, and in convalescence from low forms of fever. They are readily assimilated, prevent waste of the tissues, and are valuable constructives. This is more especially true of maltine with peptones, the use of which has been most satisfactory in our experience. We have no hesitation in recommending these preparations to the profession.

KEMOVED FROM MEMBERSHIP.—The Council of the Royal College of Surgeons, England, has recently removed a medical man—a resident of Ontario—from being a member of the College, for a contravention of the By-laws in publishing and professing a secret method of cure.

PERSONAL.—Dr. Tache, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, has been delegated to Washington to attend the meeting of the International Sanitary Board.

Mark Twain says there is something very fascinating about science—it gives you such wholesale returns of conjecture for such triffing investments of fact.

EXTRA-UTERINE PREGNANCY.—Dr. Lawson Tait has recently successfully treated, by abdominal section, a case of extra-uterine pregnancy. The death of Dr. Edouard Seguin, of New York on the 28th of Oct. is announced in our exchanges. He was 68 years of age. Although a writer on many subjects he is best known in connection with thermometry, the metric system and the training and education of idiots, especially the latter.

REMOVAL.—Hon. Dr. Brouse, of Prescott, Ont., has removed to Ottawa to enter upon the practice of his profession in that city.

Books and Lamphlets.

PHYSICIAN'S VISITING LIST FOR 1881. By Wm. Wood & Co., New York. Price \$1.25.

This is the first edition of this beautiful visiting list we have seen, and we are very much pleased with it. There are two different sizes, one ruled for 30 patients weekly, and the other for 60. It contains, in addition to the usual blanks for names of patients, dates, visits, etc., a table of doses of common and rare drugs, poisons and their antidotes, doses of drugs for subcutaneous injection, atomization and inhalation, thermometric scales, equivalent weights, metric system, and a calendar for 1881 and part of 1882. It is light and convenient to carry in the pocket, beautifully and tastefully gotten up, and well adapted for the purpose intended.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

In Toronto, on the 22nd ult., D. McLarty, M. D., M. R. C. S., Eng., of St. Thomas, to Miss Hattie J. Allan, of Port Rowan.

At Dorchester, on the 15th ult., Couriney Bliss, Esq., M. D., to Bessie, daughter of B. Botsford, Esq.

On the 22nd ult., in Cornwall, Dr. C. J. Hamilton, eldest son of the late Dr. Hamilton, of Goderich, and stepson of Dr. G. C. Shannon, Goderich, to Harriet S., eldest daughter of Dr. J. J. Dickenson, Cornwell.

On the 24th of October, Richard Metcalf, M. D., River Philip, N. S., aged 36 years.

On the 9th ult., Dr. H. A. Jacobs, of Moncton, N. B., in the 54th year of his age.

*** The c'arge for notices of births, deaths and marriages is fifty cents, which should be forwarded in postage stamps with the communication.

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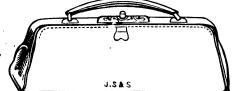
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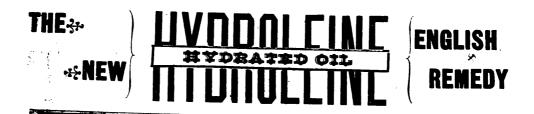
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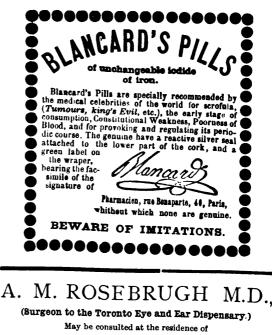
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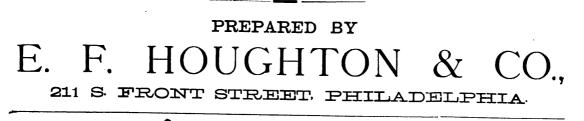
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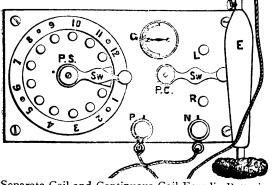
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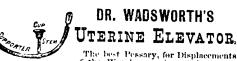
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