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HURSDAY — 10.80 a.m.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1 r.m.: St. George's
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Health if they will, or forwarding their Annual and other Reports, favour us
with Duplicate Copies.

QUERIES.

SCAPSTONE (FRENCH CHALK) AS A DUSTING POWDER.

R. E. P. writes: I should feel obliged if any member, who may have had practical experience, will inform me as to the value, if any, of scapstone (silicate of alumina and magnesia) as a "dusting powder" for intertrigo in infants, and whether it is likely to be absorbed in sufficient quantity to produce any undesirable therapeutical effect. It is well known by shoemakers as French chalk, and is used by them for lubricating it it shoes and is used by them for lubricating tight shoes.

THE PREVENTION OF STAINING BY CHRYSOPHANIC ACID. M. B., M. A., writes: I shall feel greatly obliged if any member will give me a hint as to the prevention of the staining of chrysophanic acid, or its removal atter using the ointment. My patient suffers from psoriasis, and is greatly benefited by the drug, but in spite of warm baths after its use, it still stains all his linen for days afterwards.

** Dr. Radcliffe Crocker has been good enough to supply us with the following answer to the above question: "The stains in linen are quite indelible without injuring the fabric, but they may be avoided by using the Auspitz method. A gutta-percha varnish, called traumaticin, is made by dissolving 3j of pure gutta-percha in 3x of chloroform, 3j of chrysarobin is added, making an emulsion, which is painted on with a stiff brush after removing the scales every day, until a thick coat is formed: it is then allowed to peel off and renewed. It acts effectually and does not stain. Besnier modified this by brushing in 3j of chrysarobin in 3x of chloroform, and then varnishing with traumaticin. Both plans are equally good."

CONTRACT PRICES.

A COUNTRY DOCTOR would be obliged by advice as to what he should charge per annum for attendance on the workmen engaged in the construction of a railway, by anyone who has had experience in such contracts. The line is ten miles long, and 1,000 men will be employed on it for three years. The doctor resides at one end, and may attend the men over the whole length, but would prefer only the five miles nearest to him, on which 600 men are to be employed. The contractor wishes the charge only to include medical attendance, and the men to pay for medicine; but as there is no chemist, and the doctor has to supply medicine, would it not be better to include medical and surgical dressings in the contract. What would be a proper charge for them? the contract. What would be a proper charge for them?

BATTERY FOR ELECTROLYSIS

X. asks what battery Dr. Apostoli uses in his treatment of uterine fibroids; and if zinc, carbon, bichromate, as is supposed, what is the size of the plates; and how many cells are needed for an average current to be shown in the galvanometer, say, 100 milliampères? Fresh fluid is supposed to be supplied with each application.

PAYING PATIENT.

X. asks for information as to what London hospital would take in a small farmer with lupus of nine years' standing; the patient is able to pay £1 to £2 per

*** Guy's (apply to Dr. Steele, Guy's Hospital, S.E.); St. Thomas's [Home (apply to the Superintendent, St. Thomas's Hospital, Albert Embankment S.E.).

ANSWERS.

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REMOVAL OF MILK TEETH.

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Away," I would strongly advise the retention of the milk teeth until the normal absorption of the root takes place. Without attempting to enter largely into the question, it may be said that the principal change in the size of the jaw is in a direction backwards, and the retention of the temporary teeth may assist in the demand upon Nature for the necessary supply of new bone for the permanent molar series. A ten years' experience of general practice enables me to say that neither the medical practitioner nor parents are, at present, sufficiently awar of the necessity for close attention being given to the temporary dentition and the eruption of the permanent teeth. Carles of the milk teeth should be discovered in time, and the organs saved by filling. If from any cast they should be removed, "Far Away" need not be afraid of the enclosing alveolus contracting for, on the contrary, it becomes absorbed, to be rebuilt up about the necks of the permanent teeth when they are crupted.

NOTES, LETTERS, ETC.

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WE are requested by Mr. G. Eistes, Honorary Secretary to the fund, to acknowledge the receipt by him of one guinea, sent by Surgeon-Major Stanley L. Dobie, 4th Madras Cavalry, Kamptee, India.

ERRATUM.

In Dr. Barnes's Memoir on Puerperal Fever, published on November 12th, p. 1042, 2nd column, line 16 from top, for "access of carbolic acid," read excess of car-

ALL WOOLLEN UNDER CLOTHING.

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DR. JAEGER'S SANITARY WOOLLEN SYSTEM COMPANY, LIMITED, write: In your article of November 5th, headed "Woollen Winter Underclothing," where you deprecate "an unreasonable faith in German science," we suppose that most of your readers will agree that the cap is intended to fit us, and we therefore ask to be allowed to reply.

If Dr. Jaeger's published views on the hygienic importance of all-wool clothing and bedding are unscientific, let them be refuted; but condemnation without reasons will not weigh against the warm commendation of professional and lay adherents, based on practical experience. We will not enter into controversy as to the comparative excellence in point of fit, seams, etc., as these are matters which must eventually be left to the verdict of the public, which we willingly accept. We wish, however, to claim that recognition of merit which is wont to be accorded to an originator of anything good, whatever his nationality; and we believe that it will not be denied that Dr. Jaeger originated the undyed, all-wool stockinet underwear which has become so popular. undyed, all-wool stockinet underwear which has become so popular.

When we introduced this underwear in Great Britain, British manufacturers

had not the proper machinery to make it, and only quite recently have we succeeded in effecting arrangements, including provision of the proper machinery and yarn, for the Jacger underwear to be made, under strict control as to purity and other high qualities, by British workpeople in British factories.

OBSTETRIC CURIOSITY.

Dr. C. LOVEGROVE (Llanwddyn) writes: On Monday, November 14th, I was called to Mrs. J., who was in labour of her sixth child. On examination no membranes presented; the os admitted two fingers with difficulty, being so much out of reach. On the two previous occasions instruments were used; this time the labour was natural, the cord being four times round the child's neck, and 42 inches long, or 3 feet 6 inches. The child would round the child's neck, and 42 inches long, or 3 feet 6 hones. The child would undoubtedly have been strangled had I not been there, so tight was the cord drawn, and reaching in layers from chin to sternum. I bring this case before the profession for two reasons; first, because it is so unusual; second, the medico-legal aspect, showing how easily a child may be strangled in a natural birth, and leave no trace of the cause of death, no indentation or mark remained on the neck after the cord was unwound, which I had great difficulty in doing, and which I accomplished by rotating the child from the navel attachments. There was no cry until some time after it was unwound.

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