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## PREFACE.

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THE experience of a number of years in clinical teaching has convinced me that the time which is ordinarily devoted, during a limited course of lectures on a special subject, in dictating to the student in the first instance, and repeating in detail from time to time during the course, the necessarily large number and variety of formulæ that are requisite for intelligent treatment, can be more profitably employed, and the subject itself better and more clearly understood without laborious and too often imperfect note-taking, by collecting the commoner and more reliable ones in a systematic but simple form, which will always be accessible and ready for reference.

In pursuance of this conviction I have prepared this little volume for the use of my Students, and in connection with my lectures, and I offer this explanation to those members of the profession who may have occasion to consult my work, in view of the necessarily somewhat brief, even dogmatic, manner in which certain personal views are presented and certain courses of treatment advised.

The following pages will be found to contain the formulæ alone of such local applications as are adapted to the treatment of the various affections of the larynx, pharynx, and nasal passages, and which have been carefully tested in the light of personal clinical experience and found to possess a practical worth.

Constitutional remedies are not included in the list, being foreign to the purpose of the work, but they are none the less regarded as of the highest importance in the treatment of many of the affections with which it deals.

The formulæ have been collected from various works and authorities; many of them are original. I have availed myself of the labors of my predecessors and contemporaries whenever it has been possible, and here render them my general acknowledgment, specific credit in all instances to the sources of information being impracticable in a work of this character and size.

Many drugs and combinations that have been recommended from time to time in the rapid development of the speciality have been rejected as having no real value, but none that are to-day regarded as essential have, it is believed, been omitted.

I have thought it desirable, in the present new edition, to add certain suggestions which will serve as a guide to the student in his choice of remedies, and remarks on the proper method of making applications to the various parts, together with illustrations of the requisite apparatus, all with the view of rendering the entire matter of local treatment clear and readily understood.

All matters relating to practical Pharmacy have been kindly revised for me by George D. Hays, M.D., Ph.G.

If the little volume now presented to the medical class will aid in systematizing and simplifying the labors of its students in this department of therapeutics, its mission will have been fulfilled.

G. M. L.

October, 1884.

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## I.

### PIGMENTA.

#### A. For External Use.

Employed in some forms of Laryngitis, as counter-irritants. Applied externally over the larynx.

Ceratum Cantharidis.

Charta Cantharidis.

Linimentum Cantharidis.

Tinctura Iodi.

Tinctura Iodini Composita (U.S.P., 1870).

Linimentum Iodi (B.P.).

Used as anæsthetics, in the forms of Hyperæsthesia of the Larynx. Applied externally over the organ.

Unguentum Aconitiæ (B.P.).

Linimentum Aconiti (U.S.P., 1870).

Linimentum Belladonnæ.

Linimentum Chloroformi.

#### B.

Pulveris Camphoræ.

Chloralis . . . . . āā ʒ ss

Rub together in a warm mortar until liquefied, then filter.

Signa—Camphorated chloral.

## B. For Internal Use.

Used as applications to the nasal passages, by means of a camel's-hair pencil or brush.

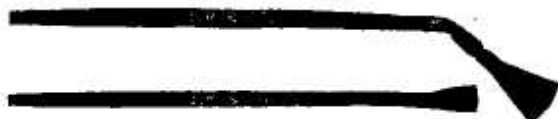


FIG. 1.—Brushes for applications to the nasal passages.

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Petrolati (Vaseline) . . . q. s.

℞

Petrolati . . .  $\frac{3}{4}$  ss  
Hydragryri Chloridi Mitis . . .  $\frac{3}{4}$  ss

M. Ft. unguentum.

℞

Unguenti Belladonnæ . . . q. s.

℞

Acidi Carbolicæ . . . gr. ii  
Iodi . . . gr. ii  
Atropinæ . . . gr. ss  
Petrolati . . . ad  $\frac{7}{8}$  i

M. Ft. unguentum. Signa—In Chronic Rhinitis.

## II.

### COLLUNARIA—CLEANSING AND DISINFECTING SOLUTIONS.

Solutions for general cleansing purposes, used in coarse spray in the larynx and nasal passages, or by means of the anterior and posterior nasal syringe, to the latter region, at a temperature of about 90°-100° F.

#### Larynx.

Careful cleansing of the mucous surfaces of the larynx is not infrequently a necessary procedure, prior to the application of the medicated spray or powder. Notably is this the case in Laryngeal Phthisis, where the secretions are thick, abundant, and tenacious, and thus mask the diseased parts—especially the ulcerations, which lie beneath them. The cleansing process is best performed by means of the laryngeal spray, used with compressed air (see page 13), and one or two applications are to be made, either with or without the aid of the laryngoscopic mirror, at each sitting, before use of the medicament. The following solution may be used :