Subcarb. of soda, 1 drachm ;
Camphor mixture, 5 ounces ;
Tinct. of ipecac., 1 drachm ;
Comp. spirit of ammonia, 1 drachm. A fourth part every six hours.
Alum, 1 drachm ;
Co. infus. of roses, 1½ ounces ;
Tinct. of myrrh, ½ ounce. Make a gargle.

His diet to consist of milk principally, varied with an occasional light pudding, or arrow-root, sago, and his ordinary drink, toast and water, flavoured with a tablespoonful of brandy to each tumbler.

7. Salivation increased; otherwise the same as yesterday. Continue medicines; a dose of castor oil to relieve the bowels.

8. His features are now so swollen that he can scarcely be recognised by his friends; the salivation is profuse; his breath very offensive; the bowels and pulse regular; complains of thirst; perspires freely in bed. Ordered warm fomentations to the head and face. Continue mixture. His tongue is so much enlarged that he cannot use the gargle.

Borate of soda, two drachms, to be mixed with honey and applied to the mouth.

This treatment was pursued, with progressive improvement, until the 16th, when the swelling of the head and face, and all the more prominent symptoms subsided. Previous to his application to me he had been afflicted, for years, with dyspepsia of a severe character, accompanied with painful vomiting every morning after quitting his bed. He had sought the advice of various practitioners without obtaining permanent relief, and naturally felt reluctant to confide himself to my care, believing his case to be hopeless, and admitting of slight palliation only. I may here state that I availed myself of the opportunity so unexpectedly afforded me, to combat the primary affection, and that, by the administration of appropriate remedies, a cure was effected, probably accelerated by the salivation; he is now in better health than he has been for years.

INJECTION OF DEAD BODIES.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR:—I beg leave to send for insertion, in your widely-circulating periodical, an outline of an instrument which I have invented for the purpose of facilitating the injection of the dead subject, through a medio-vertical section of the sternum. By the employment of the usual means considerable difficulty is met with in separating the segments of the bone far enough to admit of the injecting pipe being secured in the vessel, with the certainty of ensuring a free injection, without extravasation of the fluid into the thorax. This difficulty is completely obviated by the instrument. On Monday last I had an opportunity of trying

its power on a fine muscular male subject, in the dissecting-room of the Westminster School of Medicine, through the kindness of one of the lecturers, Mr. Savage, to whom, indeed, I am indebted for many valuable suggestions, whilst manufacturing his instruments for the dissecting-room.

The two plates, closely approximated, were inserted into the fissure left by the

saw; a few turns of the handle sufficed to dilate it to the extent of six inches, without the slightest disturbance of the thoracic viscera. Begging the favour of an early insertion I remain, Sir, your obedient servant,

JEAN EVRARD.

35, Charles-street, Middlesex Hospital,
 Nov. 12, 1838.

MONSTROUS FEMALE FÆTUS.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR:—Should you deem the drawings I have made and forwarded to you, of a child which was born on the 23rd instant, worthy of insertion in the pages of your Journal, I freely present them for your adoption.

I remember, during my articleship with Mr. Higginbottom, of Nottingham, a similar production being shown me; but the malformation of the spine was not carried to near the extent, nor had the child arrived at half the age of the one now shown in the engraving. The preparation is now in the possession of Dr. Taylor, St. Paul's-square. I have the honour to be, Sir, your very obedient servant,

W. ANDREW, Surgeon, &c.
 Liverpool, Oct. 31, 1838.