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The Chemical News promises that a strong solution of sulphate of magnesia will give a beautiful quality to white-wash, and a little of it used with starch will add considerably to its stiffness, and render cotton or linen garments to a certain degree incombustible.

To the old mode of boring glass with a file wet with oil of turpentine, a correspondent of the Chemical News adds an amendment from a German source, confirmed by his experience, to the effect that dilute sulphuric acid is much more effective, with less wear of the tool, than oil of turpentine.

A clergyman's mode of rat-catching, as described in an exchange, is worthy the attention of Mr. Henry Beygh. He uses a wire trap, and when a rat is caught, instead of inconspicuously killing him, he treats his prisoner liberally with food and drink, until he is fat, tame and contented.

A circumstance apparently confirmatory of the disputed theory of a molecular change in iron from mechanical shocks, is related by a correspondent of the Scientific American at Underhill, Vt.

At a recent meeting of the London Pathological Society, the President, Mr. John Simon, who has just returned from the conference on cholera at Weimer, introduced the question of the dependence of Asiatic cholera on the development of a low vegetable form in the intestines (oylindrotentium), which has been recently asserted in Germany by Dr. Klob and Dr. Thome.

That new and scarce attainable metal, indium, has been produced in decidedly perceptible quality by M. Reicherter, who first succeeded in isolating it. M. Reicherter lately presented to the Paris Academy of Science two prism-shaped specimens of indium, about four inches long, with sides one-half and three-fourths of an inch wide.

The Providence Journal discourses on amber as follows: "Amber is found on the southern shore of the Baltic, where it is cast up by the action of the ground swell after the northerly gales. It is also found on the coast of Sicily, on the Adriatic, on the English coast at Norfolk, and at Capo Sable, Maryland. Mining for amber in Prussia, and it is found in excavations all over Europe.

It is brittle, but can be easily cut with a sharp knife, it is the opinion, and is only an opinion, that it is simply an exuded vegetable juice. Baron Leibig thinks it probable that amber is a product of the decay of wax, or of some other substance allied to the seed oils. Sir David Brewster says that amber is an undurated vegetable juice. Wood, leaves, flowers and fruit have been found enclosed in amber, and recognized as having belonged to coniferous trees now extinct.

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